

The Lighted Spire November, 2023 NEWS & CALENDAR

Prayer Shawl Ministry Fourth Monday of each month 1:00pm The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Monday, November 27 at Walker Place.

This small, fun group knits and crochets prayer shawls and other items for those going through transitions in their lives.

Guests are always welcome to come and join this ministry. If you like to knit or crochet, come and check out this group.



Even if you don't know how to knit or crochet, they will be glad to teach you and get you started. This group is open to men and women. Even if you don't want to knit or crochet, you can always just come and enjoy the company.

CCC Group

The CCC's, a group where everyone is welcome, started meeting again on October 5 at the church. This was an organizational meeting to see what everyone wants to do. They will meet on the first Thursday of each month, so mark that on your calendars!

Their next meeting will be Thursday, November 2. Plans are to meet at the church at 12:30pm to travel to Hope and go to Willow LeaVes of Hope for lunch at 1:00. The van will be available if you do not want to drive to Hope.

Talk to Sheila Palmer if you have any questions, to let her know that you are going, and if you plan to ride in the van.

Fall Sunday School

The children go with Jon Orem and Sara Roberts for



their lessons following the Children's Time in worship.

Grades 6-12 Sarah Smith teaches our Middle and High School students at this same time. They meet in the Wall Room upstairs.

Nursery care is provided for **infants and toddlers** during worship.

If you would like to volunteer to help with Sunday School, please talk to Jon, Sarah, or Sara.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT FPCSHELBYVILLE.ORG 124 WEST BROADWAY STREET, SHELBYVILLE, IN 46176 · 317.398.8224 Gretchen Schneider, Transitional Pastor Max Muska, Associate Pastor Cynthia Morningstar, Director of Music Jane Runshe, Office Manager Sara Roberts, Sunday School Coordinator





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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00am to 4:00pm May be closed during lunch time Office will be closed on Fridays

Volunteers needed

We are in need of people who would be willing to run the screens and/or sound during our worship services. If you would be interested in learning how to do this, please talk to Gretchen, Max, Jane or Mike Whitfield.

Walker Place 2216 North Riley Highway

Pastor Gretchen and Pastor Max are leading a worship service on the second Sunday of each month at 1:00pm at Walker Place. Please feel free to attend, or if you would be willing to help with one of these services, please talk to Gretchen or Max.



Statler Study Group

Fellowship Hall

Breakfast Served

Wednesdays at 8:00am

Advent Study "Heaven & Earth, Advent and the Incarnation" by Will Willimon November 1, 8, 15, & 29

New members & visitors always welcome!

Watch for details about upcoming events for Middle Schoolers.



Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander Shane Appleton Jeanne Boback Shelby Bowers Charline Brown Clay Browning Joanne Bubar Marilyn Bushfield Vickie Butler Woody Collins Annette Craft Hugh Garner Becky Gattis Phil & Linda Howell Ron Kramer John & Jody Linton Debby McLeod Judy Mitchell

Laura Muska Janet Orem Sharon Orem Bill & Joyce Runshe Ron & Peggy Sethman Rollin & Holly Simpson Jonita Smith Megan Smith & Dahlia Kevin & Penny Springman Deloris Sorrell Eric Sorrell Walter Stone Aimee Tillison Marilyn VanCleve Wilma Weaver Dawn Whitfield Nancy Wittekind

Church family and friends

Matthew & Michael Berndt, Steven Binder, Elizabeth Bir, Mary Brown, Kristi Burton, Wyatt Cameron, Bill Collins, Betty Craft, Lida Craft, Cory, Dakota, Teri, Amber, Britney & Justin Douglass, Esther Gahimer, Julie Harris, Deloris Hassebroek, Vicki Hassebroek, Ashley Hedges, Hunter, Cammi Hooker, Jaxon, Betty Nichols, Chelsea Overhage, Lynn Pitts, Jon Ross, Mark Rowe, Darryl Runshe, Natalie Sargent, John Scudder, Chera Shaub, Shannon Trimnell, Peggy Trittipo, Brady Vanes, Cheryl White, Susan Wooledge

Those in military service

Curtis Bridgewater Alex Dillon Rocky Iaria Deacon Marshall Blake McIntire Adam Smith Deryk Smith Brett Walburn

If the situation for any of these people has changed or someone needs to be added to our list, please let the church office know.



Wednesdays 7:00pm Choir Room

Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm in the choir room. Sunday warm up is at 9:30am in the sanctuary. Anyone who has a love for music is welcome to join the choir. This is a fun group who enjoy getting together.

Next Session Meeting November 13 7:00pm Church Parlor

If you would like to come to worship on Sunday mornings, but don't have a way



Rides Available

to get there, Jon and Sharon Orem are offering to pick people up on their way to worship. Please call them by Saturday if you would like a ride so they can make plans.

For more information or to schedule a ride, call Sharon Orem (317-512-1842) or Jon Orem (317-517-1341)



In loving memory of George "Bill" Hobbs who entered the Church Triumphant on October 16. George has been a part of this church since 1949, serving in many ways, and he will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Glen and Tina and their family.



Life Line Screening

On Monday, December 4, the church will be hosting screenings done by Life Line. This will be held in fellowship hall. Life Line offers a simple, convenient way for you to get preventive health screenings, enabling you to take charge of your health. Using ultrasound technology, they can now actually see inside your arteries for plaque buildup, on of the leading causes of stroke. Four screenings are available for a package price of \$149, or can be purchased separately.

Pre-registration through Life Line is required. To register for an appointment and to receive a special discount, please call 800-640-6307 or visit LLSA.SOCIAL/HC. Flyers are available at the church with more information.

Church Officers

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Hospitality Team

Glen Hobbs Debby McLeod Sharon Orem

Alternates Ron Kramer Pattie Stone Becky Gattis Heather Muska Savanna Rowe Shane Appleton Jim Browning Vickie Butler

You do not need to be a member of the church to be on the Hospitality Team

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2023 NOVEMBER	nber	Sunday Schedule 9:30 Choir warm up 10:00 Worship After children's moment: Children's and Mid-High Sunday School upstairs Fellowship after worship	1 fill SfillTS Dfi 8:00 Statler Group-fh 6:00 HS Youth-fh 7:00 Choir-cr	2 6:00 SCP-s	ε	4
5 B-Ray Craft Sunday Schedule 6:00 SCP-s	6 6:00 SCP-s	7 6:30 BRYC 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	8 B-Carolyn Statler B-Deloris Sorrell 8:00 Statler Group-fh 7:00 Choir-cr	9 6:00 SCP-s 6:30 Stone Craft Group-fh	10	11 B-Lauren Pearce B-Natalie Heffner
12 B-Betty Ardery Sunday Schedule 1:00 Worship at Walker Place	13 6:00 Master Gardeners Dinner-fh 6:00 SCP-s 7:00 Session-p	14 B-Charline Brown 6:30 BRYC 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	 15 B-Brad Muldoon 8:00 Statler Group-fh 6:00 HS Youth-fh 7:00 Choir-cr 	16 6:00 SCP-s	17 B-Jim Browning B-Niko Miller	18 9-9 - Kennedy Scrapbook-fh
 19 B-Derek Lingerfelt Sunday Schedule Pack the Backpacks 6:00 SCP-s 	20 6:00 SCP-s	21 6:30 BRYC 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	22 NO Statler Group 7:00 Choir-cr	23 THANK	24 A-Dan & Jane Runshe	25 Gabbard - fh
26 Sunday Schedule Communion 6:00 SCP-s SUNDA	27 1:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:00 SCP-s	28 A-Steve & Cindy Leahy 6:00 AA-fh 6:30 BRYC 7:00 BRCC-cr	 29 B-Scott McLane 8:00 Statler Group-fh 7:00 Choir-cr 	30 6:00 SCP-s		B-Birthdays A-Anniversaries fh-fellowship hall p-parlor nar-Noah's Ark Room s-sanctuary cr-choir room k-kitchen



Happenings at First Presbyterian Church for Fall, 2023

World Food Day

For 2023, World Food Day was Monday, October 16. To support this, the Sunday School kids have decorated bags for you to take home, fill and bring back to support our donations to the food pantry at Human Services. Donations may also be dropped off at the church Monday-Thursday during regular office hours.

"JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT"

A group from the church is going to Beef and Boards Dinner Theater on Sunday, November 5 for this presentation. The buffet opens at 4:45 and the show starts at 7:00. If you are riding in the church van, we will meet at the church at 4:30 to leave at 4:45.



NOVEMBER 5

Backpacks for those in need

As the cooler weather is upon us, we are beginning to look ahead to our annual backpack collection for those who have a need for warmer clothing.

Last year we collected items to fill 13 backpacks which were delivered to



Tyler Orem to be distributed to the homeless in Chicago. This year we are asking for more! Our goal is to fill 10 backpacks to go to Chicago and 10 backpacks to be distributed locally. There are many activities associated with this project and many ways that you can help out!

Watch during October and November for other items we will need to get donations for to allow these backpacks to be of support to those who receive them. If you have any questions, please talk to Jon Orem.



Sock-tober -- a time when we are collecting good quality, heavy winter socks and gloves. There is a box in the hallway behind the sanctuary for you to place items that you would like to donate.

Hat Day — Sunday, November 12 On this day we are asking for donations of heavy winter hats to go in the backpacks.

Pack the backpacks — We invite all of you to stay for fellowship time on Sunday, November 19 as we pack up all the items that we have collected for the backpacks to get them ready for distribution.

Many thanks to the members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry who are donating many blankets, hats and scarves for the backpacks in addition to the ones donated by the congregation.



SUNDAY October 29 Following Worship

Join us on October 29 as we gather to celebrate the fall season. This is an intergenerational event and everyone is invited to stay for fun, food, and fellowship. We will meet in fellowship hall following worship for food, pumpkin decorating and cookie decorating. We plan to deliver some of our decorated pumpkins to our homebound members.

We ask the you bring "finger food" goodies to be shared by all. These can be sweet, savory, crunchy or a combination! Homemade or from the store -- it doesn't matter.

In support of our efforts during Sock-tober to collect winter socks and gloves for the backpack drive, please wear mis-matched socks on the 29th for church and the festival.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

The Christian Education team is planning to take advantage of the months in the year when there are five Sundays to have more involvement for the youth and the children in the morning worship services. This will begin with the worship service on Sunday, October 29. We are looking forward to their participation in the service.

High School Youth Group

The High School Youth Group is currently on a new schedule to meet at a place in the community on the first Wednesday of the month and meet at the church on the third Wednesday of the month.

On November 1, they will meet at the bowling alley from 6:00-7:30pm.



The second meeting in November will be November 15 also from 6:00-7:30pm. They will have a Thanksgiving gathering in fellow-ship hall at the church.

Anyone in high school is welcome to attend. If you have questions or would like to volunteer to help, please talk to Pastor Max.