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The Lighted Spire February 2024



Confirmation Class

Pastor Gretchen is offering a Confirmation Class for youth who are 5th grade through high school students. The first class will be held on February 18, following worship. If you have a youth interested in taking this class, please talk to Pastor Gretchen.



Statler Study Group

Fellowship Hall

Breakfast Served

Wednesdays at 8:00am

Current Study

James, Peter, John & Judah

By N.T. Wright

New members & visitors always welcome!



If you have a love for
music, share it!

Wednesday Rehearsals

7:00pm

Choir Room

Sunday Warm Up

9:30am

Sanctuary

Deacons to meet February 18

The Deacons will meet on Sunday, February 18 following worship. Grab a snack from downstairs and meet in the Noah's Ark Room. If you are unable to attend or have questions, please talk to Sharon.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT FPCSHELBYVILLE.ORG

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Gretchen Schneider, Transitional Pastor

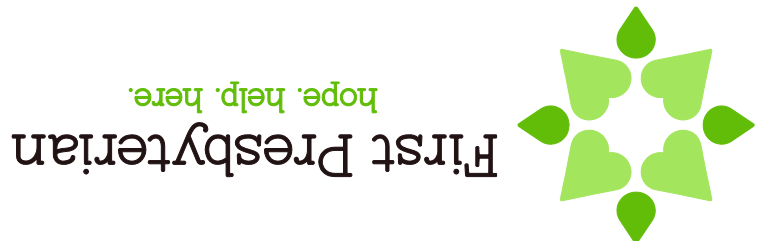
Max Muska, Associate Pastor

Cynthia Morningstar, Director of Music

Jane Runshe, Office Manager

Sara Roberts, Sunday School Coordinator

Dan Runshe, Sexton



Per Capita

Every year the local church sends in a per capita on each of our church members. The amount for this year of \$43.61 per individual member is set by the Presbyterian Church (USA) and is used by General Assembly, the Synod of Lincoln Trails, and the Presbytery to help cover the costs of running the denomination. Some members in our church elect to pay their own per capita to help offset our church budget. If you would like to do this, please make your check payable to our church and mark "per capita" in the memo section.

Session Meeting

Elders are reminded that their stated Session meeting will be Monday, February 12, at 7:00pm in fellowship hall. If you are not available to attend, please let Pastor Gretchen or Jane know.

2024 Offering Envelopes

The weekly offering envelopes are on a table in the hallway outside the choir room. If you prefer to use envelopes for your offerings, please take a box and write your name by the corresponding number on the yellow sheet on the table.

Walker Place 2216 North Riley Highway

Pastor Gretchen and Pastor Max are leading worship services 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.

Annual Reports Available

If you were unable to attend the Annual Meeting on February 4, copies of the report are available on the table in the hallway behind the sanctuary or in the office.



IT'S LEAP YEAR!

Hospitality Team

The Hospitality Team has 2 groups on the team who prepare the snacks for fellowship time. Every third month will be "volunteer" month when we are asking families to sign up for one Sunday to plan, prepare, serve and clean up for our time of fellowship. There is a dry-erase calendar in fellowship hall by the kitchen where you can pick a Sunday for your family to serve. The first month for volunteers is **March**, so please pick a Sunday to help. If you would like to serve on the Hospitality Team, please talk to Pastor Gretchen.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Fourth Monday of each month 1:00pm

They will meet on Monday, February 26 in the church parlor

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

The next meeting of this group will be Monday, February 26 in the church parlor. Nancy Wittekind has volunteered to take over leadership of this group. Betty is retiring from leadership but not from the group! Even if you don't knit or crochet, you are welcome to join this group to enjoy the fellowship. They are always willing to help you learn how to knit or crochet. Talk to Nancy if you have questions.



Office Hours

Monday - Thursday
9:00am to 4:00pm

May be closed during lunch time

Office will be closed on Fridays

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.

Sound and Screen Update

We offer our thanks to Cate Crouch and Karla Crouch for learning to run the sound and video equipment for Sunday mornings. More volunteers would be welcome, so please let Gretchen, Max or Jane know if you would be interested in learning.

CCC Group — Where Everyone is Welcome!

With questions about the weather and other factors, the CCC's have decided that they will not have a meeting in February but will regroup and begin meeting in March. Please talk to Sheila if you have any suggestions or ideas about things the group can do. Watch for more details later in February.

Mark your calendars . . . March

March 24 Palm Sunday, Holy Week Begins

March 28 Maundy Thursday service at First United Methodist Church with First Christian Church

March 29 Good Friday

March 31 Easter Sunday



Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander	Judy Mitchell
Shane Appleton	Janet Orem
Jeanne Boback	Sharon Orem
Shelby Bowers	Bill & Joyce Runshe
Charline Brown	Jonita Smith
Joanne Bubar	Megan Smith & Dahlia
Marilyn Bushfield	Kevin & Penny Springman
Vickie Butler	Deloris Sorrell
Woody Collins	Eric Sorrell
Annette Craft	Walter Stone
Hugh Garner	Marilyn VanCleve
Becky Gattis	Wilma Weaver
Phil & Linda Howell	Dawn Whitfield
Ron Kramer	Nancy Wittekind
John & Jody Linton	

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 Trittipio, 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.

SAVE THE DATE!

JULY 7, 2024

200TH ANNIVERSARY

CELEBRATION

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)



Save the Date for SOUPER BOWL 2024

On February 25 during fellowship we will be doing **CANStruction** for our Human Services Food Drive as a part of the Souper Bowl of Caring. Groups have been formed to use the cans we collect to make interesting structures. The groups are Sunday School, Statler Study Group, Session, Deacons, Choir and Youth Group. Color schemes for each group are listed below. If you are not in one of the groups and would like to be, just pick one to join. Boxes are available in the hallway behind the sanctuary for your donations. Of course, we will always take any food items, paper products or hygiene items that you wish to donate. We are going to have a soup lunch and then start building! Keep watching for more details!

All non-perishable food items are welcome, but for **CANstruction** here are some special requests!

The **14.5 to 14.75** ounce cans with **rounded** bottoms might work best for stacking.

Team Sunday School is trying to collect: about 80 yellowish or whitish cans, about 50 cans of various colors, about 35 orangish cans, about 25 bluish, and about 25 reddish cans.

Team Deacons is trying to collect about 70 whitish cans, about 20 reddish cans , and about 90 bluish cans.

Team Choir needs 32 red cans (Chunky Soup) and 48 white cans.

Team Session is trying to collect yellowish cans (corn), redish cans (tomato) and greenish cans (green beans).

Team Statler needs regular Campbell soup cans, many blue cans and blue pasta boxes.

Team Youth Group needs all different colors of cans.

Church Officers

Session

Christian Education/Nurture

Becky Gattis
Sarah Smith
Pattie Stone

Property/Finance

Glen Hobbs
Phil Howell
Jim Marshall
Dan Runshe

Worship/Evangelism/ Benevolence

Sheila Palmer
Melody Skipton
Mike Whitfield

Clerk of Session

Dawn Whitfield

Treasurer

Glen Hobbs

Deacons

Sharon Orem—Moderator
Emily Campbell—Treasurer
Carolyn Statler—Secretary
Jim Browning
Linda Howell

Debby McLeod
Judy Mitchell
Jon Orem
Ron Kramer

Hospitality Team

Jan-Apr-Jul-Oct

Glen Hobbs
Debby McLeod
Sharon Orem
Deb Hassebroek

Feb-May-Aug-Nov

Shane Appleton
Jim Browning
Vickie Butler

Mar-Jun-Sep-Dec

Volunteer months
See calendar in
fellowship hall to
sign up

Alternates - Ron Kramer & Pattie Stone

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Sunday Schedule 9:30 Choir warm up 10:00 Worship - on-line and in sanctuary Following children's moment: Children's and Middle & High School Sunday School 11:15 Time of fellowship	B-Birthdays A-Anniversaries fh-fellowship hall p-parlor nar-Noah's Ark Room s-sanctuary cr-choir room k-kitchen				2 B-Ann McDaniel	3
4 Sunday Schedule Annual Meeting of the Congregation following worship	5	6	7 8:00 Statler Group 6:00 High School Youth Group-fh 7:00 Choir-cr	8 B-Joyce Runshe B-Nancy Stamm 6:30 Craft Group-fh	9	10 8:30 PEO-fh
11 Sunday Schedule 1:00 Worship at Walker Place led by Pastor Max 	12 7:00 Session-fh	13	14  8:00 Statler Group No Choir	15	16 B-Patty Shuler B-Carolyn Bowers	17
18 Sunday Schedule 11:15 Deacons-nar 11:15 Confirmation Class-fh 	19  President's Day Office Closed	20 A-Shelby & Craig Runshe 6:30 BRYC-p,s 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	21 8:00 Statler Group 6:00 High School Youth Group-fh 7:00 Choir-cr	22 B-Cheryl Miller	23 B-Ron Sethman	24 12:00 Pack 223 Blue & Gold Banquet - fh
25 B-Steve Leahy Sunday Schedule 11:15 Soup Lunch & CANstruction for Souper Bowl of Caring 	26 1:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry-p	27 A-Patty & Dick Shuler 6:30 BRYC-p,s 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	28 8:00 Statler Group 7:00 Choir-cr	29  LEAP YEAR		SAVE THE DATE! JULY 7, 2024 200TH CELEBRATION

February 14 - March 31, 2024

One Great Hour of Sharing

For 75 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world.

In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression

Millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity.

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

Your impact

Restoring Hope, Feeding the Hungry, Empowering the Oppressed

Typically received during the season of Lent, each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.

