



# First Presbyterian

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## The Lighted Spire

May, 2026

### *Earth Day Celebration*

***Sunday, May 17***

***following worship***

***Hot Dogs with Pitch-in Sides***

***Face Painting***

***Games and Activities***

***Watch for further details as  
the event gets closer!***



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A time for those who need a safe place to share thoughts about the current situations facing our world and how we respond in faith and prayer.

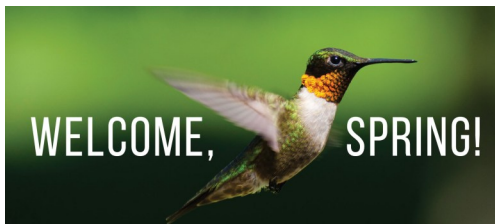
5:30-6:45 on Wednesday evenings.  
Please bring a sack supper with you.

**Upcoming Meeting**  
**May 27**



### Office Hours

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



### Contact Information

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### Ride to Worship on Sunday Mornings

Call Jon (317-517-1341) or Sharon (317-512-1842)  
by Saturday to arrange a ride.





*Sunday, April 26, was a perfect day as you joined me in a special celebration to honor the fact that I have been the office manager at First Presbyterian of Shelbyville for 51 years and 40 days!*

*I have certainly been so blessed to work in a place surrounded by so many wonderful people ~ family, members, friends, pastors and staff who over the years have made this the best place to work. I am forever grateful for all your love, support and help.*

*Being recognized during worship with kind words, hugs, and handshakes, along with 51 gorgeous yellow roses presented by the youth and children, and many beautiful cards and notes reinforces that this is truly the place I was meant to be for all these years (and more to come).*

*The luncheon held after worship was delicious. Many thanks to Pastor Gretchen and all of you who helped to plan and carry out this special day by decorating fellowship hall, making and serving the food and cleaning up afterward. Enjoying a wonderful meal together made the day even brighter.*

*I am very grateful to the Session and the Congregation for the generous gift that was given to me on Sunday. I will update you with my plans to use it.*

*The memory of this day will be one that I will always cherish and will hold in my heart forever.*

*Many thanks ~*

## CCC's ~ Fun for Everyone

The **CCC's** are looking for ideas for things to do ~ go out to eat, go some place interesting, or just get together at the church.

The office will gladly help with reminding people of dates, time and places. The shuttle will also be available if traveling out of town.

Please talk to Pastor Gretchen or Jane if you have any ideas or if you are willing to help with this.

## Ongoing Mission

As we always do, we will still be collecting canned goods, paper products, non-perishable food items and hygiene products throughout the year. Shopping carts are in the hallway behind the sanctuary for donations.

## Session Meeting

Sunday, May 31

11:30am

Church Parlor

Please let Pastor Gretchen or Sarah Smith know if you will be unable to attend.



Join the Choir - Join the Fun!

The choir invites anyone with a love for music to come and join this fun group!

Wednesday Rehearsals

7:00pm in the choir room



## Sunday School

**Ages 3-5th grade** go upstairs with Jon Orem or Sara Roberts for their lessons following the Time with the Children in worship.

**Our middle and high schoolers** go with Sarah Smith at this same time and meet in the Wall Room upstairs.

**Nursery care** with Aimee Tillison is provided upstairs for **infants and toddlers** during worship services.

## Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander	Janet Orem
Shelby Bowers	Bill & Joyce Runshe
Joanne Bubar	Kip Schnaiter
Marilyn Bushfield	Natalie Simpson
Harry Campbell	Deloris Sorrell
Ray Craft	Marilyn VanCleve
Burt & Irene Curry	Wilma Weaver
Dan & Maria Gabbard	Nancy Wittekind
Hugh Garner	

### Church family and friends

Shannon Trimnell, Brady Vanes

### Those in military service

Rocky Iaria	Robbie Icenogle
Deacon Marshall	Blake McIntire
Adam 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.

## Looking Ahead

Mark your calendars for  
Vacation Bible School

July 20-23

Growing in the Garden:  
Rooted in the Spirit



Prayer Shawl Ministry

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Will not meet in May  
**June 21, 2026 1:30pm**  
at Ashford Place

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. Talk to Nancy Wittekind if you have questions.











SMALL  
GROUPS

Statler Study Group  
Wednesdays 8:00am  
Fellowship Hall  
Light Breakfast Served

Study: *Soul of Civility*

New members & visitors  
always welcome!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <b>3 Sunday Schedule</b> B-Kyelyn Skipton	<b>4 B-Harry Campbell</b> <b>A-Tyler &amp; Vima Orem</b>	<b>5 A-Scptt &amp; Melody</b> <b>Skipton</b>  <b>9:00 Home</b> <b>Extension</b> <b>Breakfast~P. Stone</b>  <b>7:00 BRCC~cr</b>	<b>Sunday Schedule</b> <b>10:00 Worship - sanctuary</b> <b>and on-line. Following</b> <b>children's moment:</b> <b>Children's and Mid-High</b> <b>Sunday School upstairs</b> <b>11:15 Time of fellowship</b>	<b>fh-fellowship hall</b> <b>p-parlor</b> <b>nar-Noah's Ark Room</b> <b>s-sanctuary</b> <b>cr-choir room</b> <b>k-kitchen</b> <b>B-Birthdays</b> <b>A-Anniversaries</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2 B-Theo Iaria</b>
<b>10 Sunday Schedule</b> <b>B-Kyelyn Skipton</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>  <b>6</b> <b>7:00 BRCC~cr</b> <b>7:00 AA~fh</b>	<b>6 B-Amelia Roberts</b>  <b>8:00 Statler Group~fh</b>  <b>7:00 Choir~cr</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9 B-Nancy Wittekind</b> <b>8:30 PEO-fh</b>
<b>17 Sunday Schedule</b> <b>11:15am</b> <b>Earth Day</b> <b>Celebration</b> <b>Luncheon</b>  	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>  <b>7:00 BRCC~cr</b> <b>7:00 AA~fh</b>	<b>13</b>  <b>8:00 Statler Group~fh</b>  <b>7:00 Choir~cr</b>	<b>14</b> <b>6:30 Stone Craft</b> <b>Group~fh</b>  	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>24 Sunday Schedule</b> <b>A-Ron &amp; Peggy Sethman</b>   <b>11:20 Session</b> 	<b>25 Office Closed</b> <b>No Prayer Shawl</b> <b>Ministry</b>  	<b>26</b>  <b>7:00 BRCC~cr</b> <b>7:00 AA~fh</b>	<b>20 B-Acen Hensler</b>  <b>8:00 Statler Group~fh</b>  <b>7:00 Choir~cr</b>	<b>21 B-Jake Teal</b> <b>A-Dave &amp; Liz Wheeler</b> <b>A-Lindsey &amp; Craig</b> <b>Hodges</b>	<b>22 B-Christian</b> <b>Villatoro</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>31</b>  <b>11:20 Session</b> 	<b>27</b>  <b>8:00 Statler Group~fh</b>  <b>5:30 Safe Harbor~p</b> <b>7:00 Choir~cr</b>	<b>28 B-Amy Hill</b>	<b>27</b>  <b>8:00 Statler Group~fh</b>  <b>5:30 Safe Harbor~p</b> <b>7:00 Choir~cr</b>	<b>28 B-Amy Hill</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30 B-Ron McDaniel</b>