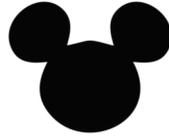






# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



**MARCH 13TH**

Phillip & Beth Dunnivant

**MARCH 24TH**

Douglas & Chenel Gervais



**MARCH 26TH**

Carol Magnuson & Charles Stimpson



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- March 1 Deborah Obenchain
- March 3 Bud Saunders
- March 3 Ruthie Shepherd
- March 4 Collette Thomas
- March 5 Donna Sepull
- March 8 Lisa Neese
- March 9 William Jennings
- March 9 Theresa Blanton
- March 10 Harriet Cares
- March 10 Richard Smith
- March 11 Will Cares
- March 11 Charles Cares
- March 12 Kyle Thomas
- March 12 Trena Little
- March 12 Carolyn Woodfin
- March 12 Hughes Bradley
- March 13 Elizabeth Windham
- March 14 Jeff Anderson
- March 15 Ross Beavers
- March 16 Barbara Frisby
- March 18 David Windham
- March 19 Andrew Matusek
- March 22 William Matusek
- March 23 Billie Crowell
- March 27 Henry Smith
- March 27 Debbie Kee
- March 28 Kate Canady
- March 28 Adrian Bomar
- March 30 Derek Price

# THANK YOU CHRISTY JENSEN!!!!

A HUGE Shout-Out and Thank you to our Faith Development Chairperson Christy Jensen for coordinating, planning, and leading our Youth Lock-In!! It's people like Christy, sharing their love for Christ with our youth, that makes FPC-Shelbyville such a special place. Thank you also to the parents, everyone who sent food, and to Pastor Jim and Denise for leading the making the prayer stations.



# COMMITTEE MEETINGS

## Property Committee

Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00pm

## Mission Committee

Monday, March 14<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30pm

## Pastoral Care

Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00am

## Faith Development Committee

Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm

## Worship & Music Committee

TBD

## Congregational Life & Fellowship Committee

TBD

## Session

Monday, March 21<sup>st</sup> @ 5:30pm



# MISSION NEWS

## BLOOD DRIVE

Red Cross Blood Mobile will be at FPC in the fellowship hall on Wed., March 23rd from 10am to 2pm. Blood supply is still low so all givers will be appreciated. You can make an appointment through [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) or by calling 1-800-733-2767.

## BLESSING BOXES

Mission committee recently had a request from a member of the congregation to discuss the possibility of FPC supporting a Blessing Box. For those who may be unaware of what a Blessing Box entails, it is a means of making food accessible to anyone in need at any hour of the day. Containers in which food and in some cases personal hygiene items and school supplies come in a variety of shapes looking like small pantries on legs and are located in neighborhoods easily accessed by folks on foot or in vehicles. In view of the number of boxes already existing in the county, we are recommending that anyone interested in supporting a Blessing Box seek out one of them. Those located in the city can be found near Bird Street Church of Christ, Scott's UMC on Morton street, Edgemont Baptist and one on N. Main near Victory Baptist Church. Anyone can add food. Just remember it should be non-perishable and helpful if it requires no can opener. There is a Facebook Page for Blessing Boxes for Bedford County if you want to follow. This is just one more way to respond to the command given in Matthew 25 to "do unto the least of these".

## ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

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

Three programs are supported by One Great Hour of Sharing:

- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
- Presbyterian Hunger Program
- Self-Development of People

They 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. We will be taking up an offering for One Great Hour of Sharing in April, so keep an eye out for more information in the Sunday bulletin, as it approaches.

**PRAYER:** God, open our eyes to your face in every person. Let us see the ways we are all connected with all of creation. May we as your Church, together, seek love, justice and peace with all. Amen.

## SOUP KITCHEN UPDATE

The recently renovated Community Soup Kitchen building will be open for preparing and serving food beginning the first Tuesday in April. FPC members are continuing to help with one supper per month and will resume one breakfast per month on April 9.

## REMINDER

Our next collection date for 5 cents-a-meal is March 20



## SUPPER BOWL

Supper Bowl Sunday was quite the success this year. We received lots (forgot to count) of soup which went, along with other food goods collected that day, to Good Samaritan. We also received \$335 in financial donations which the Mission committee voted to donate to Community Outreach for purchasing food.



# ATTN: SENIORS



Due to the generosity of the Greg Garner Memorial and Buchanan-Hall Funds First Presbyterian Church has been blessed to have the opportunity to award scholarships to graduating seniors planning to further their education after high school. For those youth that have actively participated in the life of First Presbyterian, applications are to be submitted to Katherine Marsh, Clerk of Session, by March 31<sup>st</sup>. The application shall consist of a letter stating the youth's intended path of study and their desire to be considered for the award."



## SEARCHING FOR: A CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR

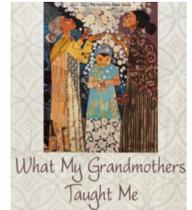
First Presbyterian-Shelbyville is officially searching for a Christian Education Director. This person will primarily be working directly with our children and youth and in the planning of programming for them, but will also be assisting the Faith Development Committee with planning activities and choosing curriculum for all ages. If you know of someone who might be interested, please tell them to contact the church office at 931-684-6541 or [first.pres.church600@gmail.com](mailto:first.pres.church600@gmail.com).

Thank you and your help spreading the word is greatly appreciated.



## NIGHT CIRCLE

The Night Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 8 at 6:00 P.M. in the Russell Classroom. We are studying Lesson 4: Ruth and Loyal Love in our study book. We will be taking up a special birthday offering at the meeting. Hope you can be with us! **Night Circle is open to all women in the church.**



## "FAT ASH WEDNESDAY"

Pancake supper will be held prior to the Ash Wednesday service on Wednesday, March 3. Dinner will be served from 6:00-6:45PM. Mardi Gras theme - bring your beads and an empty belly as we celebrate the beginning of the Lenten season.



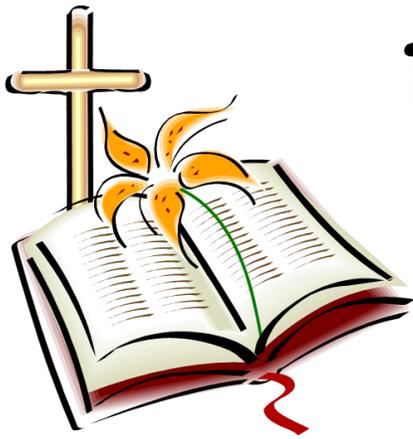
## BOOK CLUB

The March meeting is Friday the 4th at Never Rest Park at 11:00am. They will be discussing Mya Angelou's Poetry.

### UP AND COMING...

- April** "The Lincoln Highway" by Amor Towles
- May** "People and Their Quilts" by John Rice Irwin
- June** "Transcendent Kingdom" by Yaa Gyasi
- July** "Indigo Girl" by Natasha Boyd
- August** "The Ride of Her Life" by Elizabeth Letts
- September** "Be Frank With Me" by Julia Johnson (Dr. Johnson's daughter)





# PRAYER REQUEST

Family & Friends of Wilma Buchanan (Former Nursery Director)

Family & Friends of Patti Jo Bennett (Sister of Jim Sepull)

Rita Caldwell (Christy Jensen's Mother)

Family & Friends of Ken Crowell (Relative of Donna Sepull)

Eddie (Cashier at Kroger's)

Evelyn Davidson (Member)

Fred Hunt (Member)

Carolyn Matussek (Member)

Family & Friends of Phil Rives

(Stepfather to Anne, Chase, Will, Daleigh Cares)

Bud Saunders (Member)

The Cross Shelter



All those in Military Service

LT Andy Canady (Member)

Airman Chase Blanton (Member)

Those who are serving abroad and at home.

If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please call the church office at (931)684-6541 or send an email to [first.pres.church600@gmail.com](mailto:first.pres.church600@gmail.com)

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**Aksel Jensen, III**

**For Memorial Fund**

Craig & Wheeler

Edwin & Elaine Holcombe

**For Greg Garner Fund**

Richard & Faye Jensen

**For Youth Programs**

Randy Reed

**Backpack Program**

Jim & Marylyn Caperton



**Nowlin Taylor**

**For Memorial Fund**

Edwin & Elaine Holcombe

**Hugh Parker**

**For Memorial Fund**

Edwin & Elaine Holcombe

### "THE SHACK"

Are you interested in the in bible study the young adult ministry is having in Sunday School but are no longer a "young adult"? Denise has been teaching the class as they use the book, The Shack, to move us through Scripture and discussions! If you are interested in attending a Sunday school class for all ages on Wednesday evenings from about 6:30 -7:30 (exact time has not been set yet). Denise will be leading this class *IF* there is interest in it. Please contact the office to let Chenel know if you are interested in attending.



# SERVERS



## Wednesday, March 2, 2022

Ushers/Greeters: **Norma Zae Jensen, Melanie Hamilton, Brent Canady**

## Sunday, March 6, 2022

Ushers/Greeters

**Frieda Bone & Pat Marsh**

**Brenda Skelton**

**Rob Marsh**

Communion Prep: **Kate Canady & Belinda Craig**

Communion Servers: **Helen Garner, Katherine Marsh, Ginger Shofner, Drew Turner**

Flowers: **Jim & Denise Moran**

A Time for Young Christians

**Pastor Jim**

Hall Monitor

**Lisa Turner**

Children's Church

**Christy Jensen**

Nursery

**Mary Marsh**

## Sunday, March 13, 2022

Ushers/Greeters

**Nancy June Brandon**

**Brent Canady**

**Richard & Kristin Wilhelm**

Flowers: **James & Lori Smith**

A Time for Young Christians

**Kate Canady**

Hall Monitor

**Kathy Smith**

Children's Church

**Belinda Craig**

Nursery

**Norma Zae Jensen**

## Sunday, March 20, 2022

Ushers/Greeters

**Norma Zae Jensen**

**Michal Dobson**

**Richard & Kathy Smith**

Flowers: **Nancy June Brandon**

A Time for Young Christians

**Kate Canady**

Hall Monitor

**John Marsh**

Children's Church

**Pat Marsh**

Nursery

**Katherine Marsh**

## Sunday, March 27, 2022

Ushers/Greeters

**Melanie Hamilton**

**Helen Garner**

**James & Lori Smith**

Flowers: **Ginger, Willa Kate & Ann Shofner**

A Time for Young Christians

**Connie Crafton**

Hall Monitor

**Pat Marsh**

Children's Church

**Kate Canady**

Nursery

**Pat Thomas**



## PRAYER STATIONS ARE NOW UP!!!

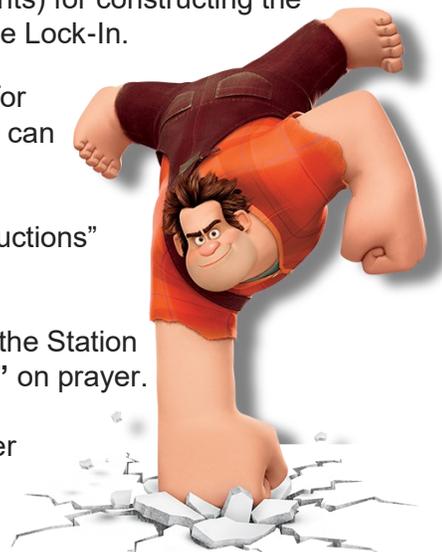
Prayer Stations are now up to help guide the congregation and guests at FPC in a type of "focused prayer" during Lent. We want to say **Thank you** to the Youth Group (and some parents) for constructing the meaningful Prayer Stations for use by our congregation and guests, during the Lock-In.

The **eight** Stations will be unveiled on Ash Wednesday and will be available for use each week during Lent. The Stations will be "reset" each Monday, so we can use them every week!

In order to use each Station effectively, we encourage you to follow the "Instructions" that can found at each Station.

**Prayer Station etiquette:** please be respectful of others who are praying at the Station and do not engage in conversations. This allows everyone to stay "**focused**" on prayer.

**Parents:** We want to encourage you to take your young children to the prayer stations and discuss what it is like to engage God in this focused way. Then, return for your own meditation with God.





# PARENTS' DAY OUT



# VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY



# PARENTS' DAY OUT SPACE DAY





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Billie Crowell — Music Director

Chenel Gervais — Church Secretary

Diane Green — Nursery Director

Teresa Phillips — Parents' Day Out Director

### SESSION

Class of 2022

Aaron Crafton

Melanie Hamilton

Ginger Shofner

Richard Smith

Class of 2023

Helen Garner

Christy Jensen

Kristin Wilhelm

Terry Saylor

Class of 2024

Brent Canady

Katherine Marsh

**(Clerk of Session)**

Lori Sain-Smith

Drew Turner



### TRUSTEES

Class of 2022

Pat Thomas

Class of 2023

Tommy Anderton

Class of 2024

Bailey Little

*Session minutes are available in the church office for any member of the congregation to review.*



We have a variety of options for tithing and offerings. They can be made by Facebook, Venmo, Vanco, Check or Cash.

### VIEW OUR CHURCH DIRECTORY ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE!!!



Simply go to the App Store, search for *Instant Church Directory* Download the FREE app to begin. You will use your email address listed in the directory to CREATE A LOGIN the first time you use the directory app.



# MARCH

- March 1st AA & Al-Anon Meeting 7:00pm
- March 2nd "Fat Ash Wed." Pancake supper 6:00pm  
Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00pm
- March 3rd AA Meeting 5:30pm
- March 4th Book Club Meeting at Never Rest Park 11:00am
- March 7th Faith Development Meeting 6:00pm
- March 8th Night Circle 6:00pm  
AA & Al-Anon Meeting 7:00pm
- March 10th AA Meeting 5:30pm
- March 13th Wedding Shower in Parlor at 9:20am for  
Jennie Kate Conley & Evan Pendergrass
- March 14th Mission Committee Meeting 5:30pm
- March 15th Pastoral Care Meeting at 10:00am  
AA & Al-Anon Meeting 7:00pm
- March 17th AA Meeting 5:30pm
- March 20th Bring your 5cents-a-meal donations
- March 21st Session Meeting at 5:30pm
- March 22nd AA & Al-Anon Meeting 7:00pm
- March 23rd Red Cross Blood Drive 10:00am—2:00pm
- April 1st Office Closed (No this is not an April Fool's Joke)