

## Weekly Worship

Sunday,  
The Lord's Day  
9:00

Worship Service Outside  
on the Church Lawn and  
Facebook Live

11:00 Facebook Video  
Available

## Upcoming Events

Monday, July 6

1:00 Prayers & Squares

Monday, July 27

1:00 Prayers & Squares

3:00 Visitation Ministry

6:00 Session Meeting

## **In-Person Worship on the Lawn Starts Sunday, July 5 at 9am**

**\*Note: this first Sunday will include communion – please bring your own elements**

### **COVID-19 Response Plan - Phase 2 – Q & A**

As members of Christ's Body, we have agreed to live by faith and not by fear; but we have also agreed to act in wisdom towards our members and guests as we patiently and deliberately step into our reopening efforts. In Phase 2 of our Response Plan, we are offering **in-person worship services outdoors** as we did during the June 7 communion service. Here are answers to questions you may have as we take this next step in our plan:

#### **When and where will services be held?**

Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup> at 9am, we will begin in-person worship (weather permitting) on the church's front lawn. These services will continue through the summer.

#### **Will childcare be provided?**

Out of an abundance of caution, childcare will not be provided during this phase. Families with young children are encouraged to bring picnic blankets and participate in worship as you're able.

#### **Should I bring a chair?**

Yes, bring your favorite beach or tailgate chair or bring a blanket for your family.

#### **I want to gather, but I'm not ready to shake hands and give hugs. Is that OK?**

Out of love for one another, physical distancing of six feet will be rigorously maintained during this phase. We are asking everyone to hold off on shaking hands and hugging.

#### **What if I'm not ready to gather with others, even with social distancing measures in place?**

We encourage any and all who are hesitant to gather in person to please stay home until they are comfortable. Continue to worship and pray at home; ***the service will continue to be available on-line.***

#### **Should I wear a mask?**

Masks are welcomed, but not required since we are worshipping outside.

#### **What if it rains?**

In the event of rain, a cancellation notice will be sent out via Facebook. The worship leaders will move indoors where the worship service will be closed to the public and streamed online.

#### **How long will this phase last?**

Nobody knows. The session will continue to monitor activities concerning COVID-19 and will stay in sync with the recommendations of our leaders and the trends in our community.

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Pastor

Timothy Scoonover

Director of Spiritual  
Formation

Angeline Brock

Editor

Sally Harvey

	Phase 1	Phase 2 (Begins June 1)	Phase 3 (TBD )	Phase 4 (TBD)
Worship Service	Live-streamed on Facebook	Live-streamed on Facebook  <b><u>9am worship services on the lawn (with precautions) starting July 5</u></b>	Sanctuary (with precautions)  Special services on the lawn (with precautions)  Addition service times  Live-streamed on Facebook	Normal  Live-streamed on Facebook
Social Distancing	6 ft apart - common areas, meeting areas, offices; No congregating	6 ft apart - common areas, meeting areas, offices	6 ft apart - common areas, meeting areas, offices, sanctuary	Normal
In-person Meetings	Only when necessary; strict room capacity limits	Use social distancing and room capacity limits	Use social distancing and room capacity limits	Normal
Facial Coverings	Strongly encouraged except when alone in office or room. Optional but recommended when outside around others.	Strongly encouraged except when alone in office or room. Optional but recommended when outside around others.	Strongly encouraged except when alone in office or room. Optional but recommended when outside around others.	Optional
Cleaning Procedures	Extra cleaning of common areas. Staff should sanitize office equipment after each use.	Extra cleaning of common areas. Staff should sanitize office equipment after each use.	Extra cleaning of common areas including sanctuary. Staff should sanitize office equipment after each use.	Normal
Meeting Rooms/ Areas	Church facilities are closed except for church business.	Wash hands before use; sanitize area and equipment after use.  Small rooms not available for meetings or congregating.  Rooms available for necessary meetings (limited capacity): Sanctuary (30) Fellowship hall (20) Library (4) Gym (20) Well Foyer (6) Well Gameroom (6) Well Meeting Room (6) Cook Shed (6)	Wash hands before use; sanitize area and equipment after use.  Small rooms not available for meetings or congregating.  Rooms available for necessary meetings (limited capacity): Sanctuary (90) Fellowship hall (30) Library (5) Gym (20) Well Foyer (8) Well Gameroom (8) Well Meeting Room (8) Cook Shed (10) Basic Room (4) Pearl Leland Room (4) Kids 3rd - 5th Grade Room (6)	Normal
Childcare	No childcare.	No childcare.	No childcare.	Normal
Sacraments	Zoom communion.	<b><u>Communion on the Lawn (Bring your own elements)</u></b>	Special Services on Lawn  Communion in Sanctuary (w/ precautions)	Normal

## Minutes in a Minute

On Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> the Session of First Presbyterian Church:

- Opened with prayer and devotion led by Elder Suzie Wilson
- Approved minutes from the May Stated Meeting
- Continued to observe and discuss the churches response to Covid-19
  - After lengthy discussion, decided to remain in Phase 2 (no indoor in-person worship) yet move the live streaming to take place on the church lawn (weather permitting) so that people can attend worship in person outside
- Received reports from each ministry team
- Closed with prayer

The next session meeting will be Monday, July 27 at 6:00pm.

**Offering** – Please continue your generous response to God’s grace by giving financially even though we are not meeting in person. You can **mail** in your tithe or offering to the church office or call Sally at the church and arrange for a time to give it to her. This is a great time to explore our **online giving options**. Go to First Presbyterian’s website by visiting the Giving page at [firstpcmonckscorner.org/giving/](http://firstpcmonckscorner.org/giving/) or you can log in directly to Breeze at [firstpres-bymc.breezechms.com](http://firstpres-bymc.breezechms.com). Create an account or sign in.

## Renovation Update

After an awful lot of digging, we finally found a window manufacturer who would build replacement sashes for windows they didn’t make. We worked through the particulars of their sash design, and we decided to order a “test sash” to be 100% sure everybody on both ends was speaking the same language in terms of design and measurements. We felt it would be wise to do that before ordering 40+ custom built sashes that could not be returned. We ordered the test at just about the exact time in which the Covid-19 shutdown occurred, so it took us almost 10 weeks to get the test sash. Here’s the good news: The sash fit beautifully and all of the rest of the sashes are ordered and payed for. We were able to get substantial pricing breaks from both the manufacturer (Windsor) and the supplier (Builders First Source) which will enable us to remain well within our original budget. The proposed delivery window for the new sashes for the sanctuary is the week of July 13. Once we receive them, we will immediately begin working in the sanctuary.



Meanwhile, we plan to replace the floors in the fellowship hall and kitchen by the time work in the sanctuary begins so that we will always have worship space intact.

Once the windows are replaced, re-trimmed on the inside, and painting in the sanctuary is completed, we’ll replace the carpet last. We anticipate the work in the sanctuary spanning at least two full weeks once it starts.

Thanks, and more updates will follow.

SPF Renovation Committee

# Fellowship Sunday, August 5

We're having Fellowship Sunday on August 5  
with dinner on the grounds.  
Our confirmands will be joining the church  
as well as some new members.

The church will supply a "bag lunch" for everyone.  
No need to bring anything.

Bring your blankets and chairs and spread out.



JULY-AUGUST 2020

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Devotionals for  
July-August are  
available in a  
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GriefShare is a support group that meets weekly. It is a warm, caring environment that you will find as an "oasis" on your long journey through grief with help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and have successfully rebuilt their lives. We understand how you feel because we've been in the same place. We will walk with you on the long path through grief toward healing and hope for the future.

**A new session will start with a workshop on Saturday, August 1 at 10:00am, Loss Of A Spouse. Then every Tuesday, August 11 and run through November 3.** (You do not have to attend the workshop to attend the weekly meetings.)

For more information, contact Charlene Atkins at (201) 919-3249 or [charatkins17@yahoo.com](mailto:charatkins17@yahoo.com).

If you know someone that is grieving, please tell them about GriefShare.

# PYG

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH GROUP

## Middle School and High School Youth

### It looks different, but Youth Group is back!

The youth have been invited to gather in small groups on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. Pray for our youth and our leaders as we continue to navigate how to “do youth group” in a new and different way. Even with so much change around us, may we remain faithful to always seek to grow as disciples reaching Up to God, In to one another, and Out to the world.

Pray for our youth going through The Journey of confirmation. These students are preparing their individual statements of faith. They will be sharing these with our Elders before becoming members later this summer.

Continue praying for:

Clay Brock  
Jacob Buitenhuis  
Bryn Hoffer  
Andrew Mims  
Lydia Murchison  
Asher Overholt  
Addie Rucker  
Will Rucker  
Davis Weathers  
Hampton Weathers



**Together but social distancing.**



We extend Christian Sympathy to Steve and Mary Nettles on the loss of their son Jay.  
Jay passed away on Monday, June 15.

Dear First Presbyterian Church,  
Thank you for the sending the beautiful arrangement to Jerry's service. We deeply appreciate your expression of sympathy.  
The Family of Jerry Grooms

Dear Church,  
Thank you for the lovely Peace Lily. I miss my mom very much. It is wonderful to be surrounded by such a loving congregation even during this time of "social distancing".  
Love in Christ, Linda Heubach

Dear Helping Hands,  
Thank you for the thoughtful gift certificate to "Music Man" in reaching out after my mother's death. The church community has been wonderful.  
Love in Christ, Linda Heubach

Dear Church,  
William and I really appreciated the nice Italian meal. Cyndy brought it to us from Helping Hands. I was very tired after my hospital overnigher, and it was wonderful to have a ready meal that lasted several days. Thank you for your concern and help.  
Love, Neva Peagler

Dear FPC family,  
Thank you so very much for the Music Man BBQ gift card to feed our family. It has been a difficult time and this helps so much not to have to worry about cooking. We appreciate you all!  
Shawn and Anita Shuler

Dear Church,  
Thank you so much for the lovely Peace Lily plant that you sent us. We really appreciate your kind gesture during this sad time for our family. We love our church family!  
Shawn and Anita Shuler








- July**
- 2 Nathaniel Murray
  - Jerry Stuckey
  - 5 Talley Propst
  - 6 Haleigh Markham
  - 10 Mary Davis
  - 12 Owen Murchison
  - 13 Kim Matthews
  - Rodger Riddle
  - 14 Russell M. Brown
  - 15 Sawyer Metts
  - 19 JoAnn Bryant
  - Jay Jordan
  - 20 Jennifer Wadford
  - Hall Harris
  - Cooper Scoonover
  - 21 Samuel Baruch
  - Haven Gooch
  - James Brewer
  - Gina Faas
  - Loreli Faas
  - Kim Hoffer
  - 22 Lyndsay Baruch
  - Danielle Quick
  - Rebecca Quick
  - 26 Emma Livingston
  - Lydia Murchison
  - 27 Tony Dunlap
  - 28 Mickey Smith
  - 30 Andrew Mims
  - 31 Keith Coker
  - Donna Davis
  - Sofia Ferez

Commitment Report	Budget for 2020	\$450,820.00
	<u>June 14, 2020</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Budget Offering	\$ 4,681.34	\$190,991.95
Weekly Budget Requirements	\$ 8,669.61	\$208,070.64

# July 2020

# First Presbyterian Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 11:00 Prayer Ministry	2	3	
5 9:00 Worship Service Outside on the Church Lawn and Live Stream	6 1:00 Prayers and Squares	7 10:00 Staff Meeting	8 11:00 Prayer Ministry	9	10	11
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# View Worship Services Anytime

Worship anytime, simply go to our Facebook page.  
Click on videos and every worship service is available!



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IN to one another, and OUT to the world!**