

# Creed and Deed

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June 2023

#### Weekly Worship

Every Sunday 9:00 Sunday School 10:00Worship Service 11:00 Sunday School

#### **Upcoming Events**

**Monday, June 5** 1:00 Prayers & Squares

**Tuesday, June 6**1:00 Staff Meeting
1:00—6:00 Blood Drive

Wednesday, June 7 11:00 Prayer Ministry 6:00 Youth

Friday, June 9 10:00 Bible Study

**Tuesday, June 13** 1:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Soup Kitchen 5:30 SPF Meeting

Wednesday, June 14 11:00 Prayer Ministry 6:00 Youth

Thursday, June 15 11:30 Ladies Fellowship Luncheon

Friday, June 16 10:00 Bible Study

Monday, June 19

1:00 Prayers & Squares 3:00 Visitation Ministry 6:00 Session Meeting 6:45 New Members Ice Cream Social

**Tuesday, June 20** 1:00 Staff Meeting

Wednesday, June 21 11:00 Prayer Ministry 6:00 Youth

Friday, June 23 10:00 Bible Study

**Tuesday, June 27** 1:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Soup Kitchen

Wednesday, June 28 11:00 Prayer Ministry 5:15 Worship Committee 6:00 Youth

Friday, June 30 10:00 Bible Study

Pastor
Timothy Scoonover
Director of Spiritual
Formation
Angeline Brock

Editor Sally Harvey

#### A Note from Our Pastor

## An Update on The Fellowship Community



Our church is part of the Fellowship Community, a network of gospel-centered churches within the PC(USA) denomination. I want share some exciting news on that front: I was elected to serve on the board of the Fellowship Community! This is a huge honor for me as a pastor and for us as a congregation.

Part of serving on the board means coordinating the annual National Gathering. This year it was in Plano, Texas. It was a delight to reconnect with old friends and make a bunch of new ones too. We got to hear from one of my favorite speakers, Steve Cuss, and the worship was soulsatisfying. The theme for the conference was "Renewing Hearts for Leadership," and to that I can say... *God sure did renew our hearts*. I've included a few pictures. I'm already excited about next year's gathering in April in Nashville, TN. Maybe you'd like to come too!

If you are curious to learn more about the Fellowship, I have included our mission and values below, or you can check out the website at www.fellowship.community.



#### **Our Mission**

The Fellowship Community (TFC) is a network of churches and leaders called together to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ by growing in Christ's likeness, living by God's Word, and joining in God's mission in the world. At the heart of The Fellowship Community, is the desire to reclaim a covenanted biblical community, where we are united by a clearly articulated theology, a shared commitment to disciple-making, and a culture of encouragement and accountability.

#### **Our Values**

• **Jesus-shaped Identity** We believe Jesus Christ must be at the center of our lives, and making disciples of Jesus at the core of our ministry. (continued on page 2)

- **Biblical Integrity** We believe the Bible is the unique and authoritative Word of God, which teaches all that is necessary for faith and life. The prominence of God's Word over our lives shapes our priorities, and the unrivaled authority of the Bible directs our actions to be in concert with Christ's very best for our lives.
- **Thoughtful Theology** We believe in theological education, constant learning, and the life of the mind, and celebrate this as one of the treasures of our Reformed heritage.
- Accountable Community We believe guidance is a corporate spiritual experience. We want to connect leaders to one another in healthy relationships of accountability, synergy, and care.
- **Egalitarian Ministry** We believe in unleashing the ministry gifts of women, men, and every ethnic group.
- **Missional Centrality** We believe in living out the whole of the Great Commission including evangelism, spiritual formation, compassion, and redemptive justice in our communities and around the world.
- Center-focused Spirituality We believe in calling people to the core of what it means to be followers of Jesus what "mere Christianity" is and does and not fixate on the boundaries.
- Leadership Velocity We believe identifying and developing gospelcentered leaders is critical for the church, and a great leadership culture is risk-taking, innovative, and organic.
- **Kingdom Vitality** We believe congregations should vigorously reproduce new missional communities to expand the Kingdom of God.



In Christ, Timothy

# **Minutes in a Minute**

On Monday, May 15 the Session of First Presbyterian Church:

- Opened with prayer and devotion by Jane Campbell
- Approved minutes from April Session meeting
- Discussed feedback and observation from Fuller Formation Cohort
- Voted to welcome Chloe Rucker into membership by confirmation of her baptismal vows
- Approved the new Use of Building Policy (4.5) and External Review Policy (2.9)
- Began discussion of an endowment fund for the church
- Received reports from the Director of Spiritual Formation, the Pastor, and Ministry teams The next Session meeting will be Monday, June 19 at 6 p.m.



# **Healing Farms Camp ABILITY**

**June 26-30, we will host Healing Farms Camp ABILITY** for the third year. Camp ABILITY is a summer day camp designed for individuals with intellectual disabilities who are still in high school ages 17+. It provides opportunities for campers to not only have fun and form new friendships, but to stretch, grow, and build life skills resulting in greater levels of independence. Please add these campers to your prayer list and be lifting them in prayer.

# **Blood Donations Needed Ahead of Summer**

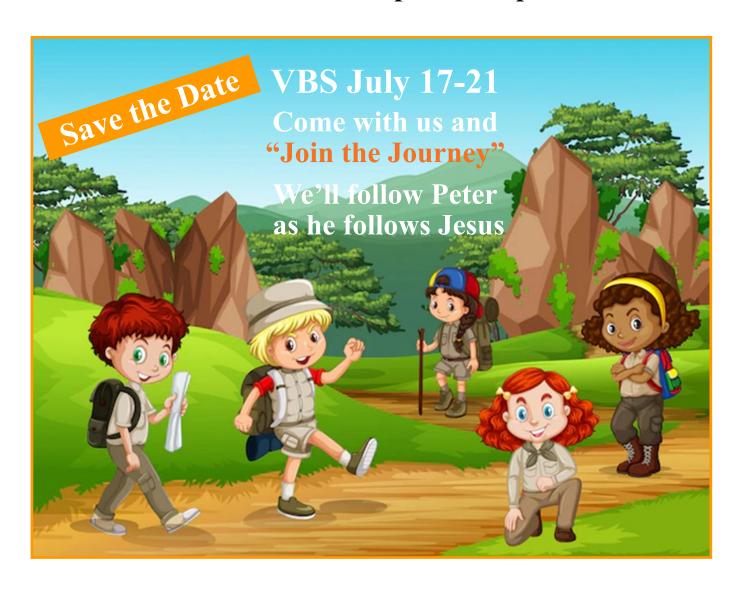
### The need for blood doesn't take a vacation

When schools let out for summer and families set off on vacation, the American Red Cross typically sees a decline in donors, which can impact patient care. It's critically important that donors make an appointment to give now before heading out for summer activities to help maintain a stable blood supply in the coming months.

You can schedule a blood donation at our blood drive here at the church. Give hope, give life, be a silent hero! To schedule an appointment or for more information, call Doris Partlow at 843-934-2149. Walk-ins always welcome.



# FPC Blood Drive on Tuesday, June 6 at the Well from 1 p.m. — 6 p.m.



Our Mission: Making disciples of the next generation who reach UP to God, IN to one another, and OUT to the world!



# "Prayer is the engine room of the church"

One thing I've learned in ministry, is that prayer is the engine room of the church. It may not be glamorous, but it's where stuff gets done. It's the beginning of all ministry that's truly kingdom ministry. I read a recent interview of a well-known pastor in the sunset of his life. He was asked what was the one thing he wished he did more of as a young pastor. His answer, "Prayer. I wish I had spent more time in prayer." There are days that I

know—without a doubt—that the ministry of this church is sustained by prayers of the people of God. Frankly, there's just NO other explanation. Ministry happens because of prayer. It changes things. It alters, it shapes, it gets things done.

So, I want to invite you to join God in his work in the world. Any time of course, but specifically, I'd like to welcome you to the engine room of our church on Wednesdays at 11am.

There is a faithful team who gathers each Wednesday at 11am, and we'd love for **YOU** to join us.

Ways to contribute in prayer:

- 1) Join us in the FPC Library at 11a.m. on Wednesdays
- 2) If you can't join us in person, set an alarm for 11a.m. on Wednesdays and pray with us wherever you are
- 3) Text or email a prayer request to Timothy, Angeline, or Sally
- 4) Post a prayer or prayer request in our Facebook group: "FPCMoCo"

Prayer is a rhythm of our church. Join us. It's not magic. It's not bending God towards our will. Rather, it's us joining HIM in HIS work. Come be a part of it.

In Christ, Timothy

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# **Updated Church Directory for 2023**

During the summer months, Lisa and I will be working on a new church directory. We will need your help. First look in the current directory for your family and make sure the address and phone numbers are correct. If you no longer have a land line, we need to omit that number. You can send me an email with any changes you have or give me a call. Also, check other members of your family and let us know if they have any changes. "It takes a village" applies here.

You can also go online into our "Breeze" database program and see how we have you and your family listed and you can make the changes. Here's how it's done:

On your computer in an internet browser, go to **firstpresbymc.breezechms.com.** The sign-in web page will appear. On your mobile device download and install the Breeze app. The icon is a deep blue box with a lowercase "b" symbol.



In either case, log in with your username and email used for online or text giving or for Breeze. If you have not established a Breeze login yet, click "Create Account" and enter your name (first and last) and the email address we have on file for you. If you have any problems creating an account contact the church office.

Once you've logged into Breeze, click My Portal at the top. At each of the section headings (Main, Family, Work & Education, Contact) on computers use the mouse and hover over the right side on your monitor, select the screen in the area of the data below the heading and "click to edit section" will appear. Click that and the fields you can edit will appear. Make all necessary changes and remember to click Save at each section heading. In the Family section you can upload a beautiful family photo. Profile photos (at the top of you Profile page) can only be added by church staff. If you like, email us a headshot and we will be glad to enter it in your Profile.

Together, with your help, we can get it done. Thank you, Sally, Church Secretary



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# Friday Fun Night making "Human Pinatas"



The youth helping us get ready for VBS! New mulch in the playground area



# **Grass Cutting Season**

There's a sign-up poster in the atrium. For information/training on our new zero-turn mower, contact Larry Propst, David Harris, Sam Brock or Roy Brown.

Call Sam Brock at 843-729-7050 for more information and he'll hook you up.





## **June Birthdays**

- 2 Mary Nettles
- 3 Jack Landis
- 3 Mike Stasiak
- 3 Jan Tipton
- 3 Melissa Williams
- 5 Ronnie Hewitt
- 6 Kaitlyn Marie Belken
- 8 Sally Harvey
- 9 Bellarose Dunlap
- 10 David Brown
- 12 Hannah Harrelson
- 13 Jason Faas
- 13 Jane Landis
- 15 Harriet Coleman
- 18 Ronald Bennett
- 20 Don Cribb
- 21 Arnetta Ackerman
- 21 Piper Still
- 21 Rebecca Dunlap
- 23 Chloe Rucker
- 24 Joyce Ling
- 25 Elizabeth Ruby
- 26 Malinda Murchison
- 26 Brenda Ruby
- 26 Michelle Ruby
- 27 Angelia Cribb
- 27 Joel Howman
- 29 John O Williams
- 30 Ryan Cribb
- 30 Kristi Gallant



# Ladies' Fellowship Luncheon

All ladies are invited to the Ladies Fellowship Luncheon in the fellowship hall on Thursday, June 15 at 11:30 a.m. Bring your lunch and we will provide the dessert.



# **Usher Ministry**

If you would like to serve as an usher on Sunday mornings, please contact Doug Bowles at 843-825-3310 or mdbowles@homesc.com.

Commitment Report	Budget for 2023	\$495,184.00					
Budget Offering	<u>May 28</u> \$ 4,676.76	<u>Year to Date</u> \$ 185,911.89					
Weekly Budget Requirements	\$ 9,522.76	\$ 210,520.72					



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