

July/ August 2024

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Greetings Fellow Members and Friends of First Presbyterian Church.

Normally July and August have been considered as “Vacation Time” for many as we often seek a respite from routine activities indoors and enjoy the summer activities outdoors, with possibly travels to new or exciting places having many a crossroad to encounter along the way.

Regardless of where we might be heading, let us not forget the pathway we have taken here at First Presbyterian Church, the number of crossroads that we will be encountering, and the choices that we will be making along the way.

Fortunately, we will have God to guide us as we travel this journey. In Walter Brueggemann’s book “Acting in the Wake”, he offered a prayer for the Church while in Chicago in 1976 which I feel is appropriate for today at both First Presbyterian and East Side Presbyterian churches. I have taken the liberty of substituting *Fremont* for *Chicago* solely to impress the relevancy of his writings upon us.

*Spirit of God —
who forms and re-forms your church,
who creates and re-creates your grateful people for yourself —*

*We pray this day for a mighty rush of your Spirit;
that the church among us may be re-formed and re-created.*

*We pray for the coming of your Spirit upon our brothers and sisters in Fremont,
for the coming of your incredible Spirit among us all.*

*That out of our formlessness we may be re-formed
and out of our chaos we may be re-created.*

*We know that we are creatures of your breath
and we wait for your breathing.*

*We are creatures of your word
and we wait for your speaking.*

*We pray for enough peace and enough courage and enough patience,
that we may pause in our much-speaking to each other and wait for
your speech;
that we may leave off breathing on each other and wait for your life-
giving breath.*

*We do not know how a church could be shaped after the body of Jesus,
but you have promised it to us, and so we ask for new beginnings.*

Amen

— December 3, 1976

Have a safe vacation and may God be with you,

Bill Taylor
Clerk of Session



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2024 PER CAPITA

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Thank you!

Thank you for the lovely reception on June 23rd to celebrate my ministry with you.

Thank you also for the plaque, cards, and gifts. I appreciate your prayers and kindness. Be assured of my prayers as you discern God's call for your future ministries.

Pastor Julie

thank you

Neighbors' News



In Matthew 25:35 & 40, Jesus says "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat." "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

Thanks to all who choose to put extra items on your grocery list to fill the containers in the Social Room. As always, please look for sales and help only as you are able.

(optional) - Dish Soap and/or Liquid Laundry Soap

July

7 - Peaches

14 - Peas

21 - Cereal

28 - Green Beans

Bonus - Freeze Pops (especially for those w/o air conditioning)

August

4 - Peanut Butter

11 - Jelly

18 - Saltines

25 - Pears

Bonus - Freeze Pops (especially for those w/o air conditioning)

Thanks for your help neighbor!

Rod and Linda Combs

SATELLITES

We are going to Berry's in Norwalk on **July 10th** at 11:30 am.

On **August 14th**, we will be going to Bob Evans at 11:30 am.

You can call or text Diane Bascone @ 419.680.0190 to RSVP or for directions. Bring a friend!



Thank You Teachers!

Teacher Appreciation Sunday is a day we celebrate and acknowledge those individuals who teach in some way in the programs we offer at First Presbyterian Church. The Christian Growth and Nurture Leadership Team would like to give a HUGE thank you to all of those individuals who gave their talents, time, and dedication to teaching others in the area God called them to during the months of September 2023 – June 2024.

In celebration and to honor our teachers and volunteers, the Christian Growth and Nurture Team will have an ice cream social on Sunday, July 14th after worship service.



We would like to recognize and show our gratitude to the following individuals for their servanthood to our church and the capacity in which they were disciples this past year.

Teachers/Volunteers:

Kathy Daley – Rainbow Station Toddler Teacher

Lori Damschroder – Music/Choir Director

Jon Detwiler – Children's Sermon and Pulpit Supply

Pastor Julie Kling – Pulpit Pastor and Adult Christ University Leader

Shari Mehling – Rainbow Station Teacher


Susan Myers – Rainbow Station Substitute Teacher

Roberta Patterson – Rainbow Station Director, Pre-school Teacher

Opportunities for Worship & Fellowship:

- ◇ All Sunday Worship Services in **July** will be held at the First Presbyterian Church at 10:30 a.m.
- ◇ Sunday, July 7: Coffee Time @ FPC
- ◇ Sunday, July 14: Ice Cream Social @ FPC
- ◇ All Sunday Worship Services in **August** will be held at East Side Presbyterian Church at 10:30 a.m.
- ◇ Sunday, August 4: Coffee Time @ East Side

July

1	7:00p - AA / Al-anon	2	5:00p - Vida Bible Study	3		4	 Office closed	5		6	
7	10:30a - Worship @ FPC - Coffee Time @ FPC 5:00p - Vida Church	9	5:00p - Vida Bible Study	10	11:30a - Satellites 7:00p - Session	11		12		13	
14	10:30a - Worship @ FPC - Ice Cream Social @ FPC 5:00p - Vida Church	16	5:00p - Vida Bible Study	17	6:30p - Deacons	18		19		20	
21	10:30a - Worship @ FPC 5:00p - Vida Church	23	5:00p - Vida Bible Study	24		25		26		27	Newsletter Articles Due
28	10:30a - Worship @ FPC 5:00p - Vida Church	30	5:00p - Vida Bible Study	31							



Birthdays

- 4 Linda Combs
- 7 Nancy Mills
- 13 Trent Stout
- 23 Rod Combs
- 25 Nicole Whetstone
- 30 Bob Humberger

Anniversaries

- 11 Russ & Ellen Abbott
- 18 Steven & Jane Reinbolt
- 26 Mark & Amanda Herman
- 29 Bob & Anne Humberger

August

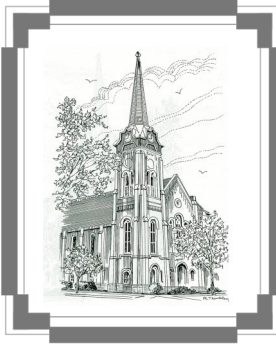
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Birthdays

- 2 Kaylee Amor
- 2 Robert Zimmerman
- 3 Bob Gamble
- 4 Abriana McConnell
- 6 Marilyn Willer
- 2 Ken & Susan Myers
- 8 Paul & Penny Deffenbaugh
- 16 Bob & Joan Gamble
- 20 Charles & Katy Hull
- 22 Alex & Carolyn Taylor
- 24 Leland & Linda Bartson

Anniversaries

- 7 Adam Kohman
- 10 Claire Zimmerman
- 17 Calvin Cowdrey
- 17 Charles Hull
- 18 Rina Oxley
- 19 Larry Stout
- 25 John McConnell
- 28 Kole Amor
- 29 Shelly Hull



First Presbyterian Church

THE SESSION

*Dannita Cowdrey
Bob Gamble
Bob Humberger
Bill Taylor
Nicole Whetstone*

THE CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Organist Emeritus	Paul Livingston
Secretary	Amy Monk
Children's Ministry Coordinator	Nicole Whetstone
Co-Treasurers	Larry & Carol Van Dyne
Volunteer Parish Nurse	Linda Hamilton
Custodian	Scott Slatter

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN COORDINATING TEAM

Moderator	Dannita Cowdrey
Treasurer	Carol Van Dyne
Funeral Luncheon	Susan Myers
Rachel Circle	Dannita Cowdrey
At Large	Jo Elder
	Lois Livingston

THE BOARD OF DEACONS

*Rod Combs
Melissa Detwiler
Anne Humberger
Susan Myers
Carolyn Taylor*

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are moving, have changed phone numbers, or have a new email address, please email those changes to the office at:
fremontfpc@gmail.com.

Thank you! Amy Monk, FPC Administrative Assistant

NEWSLETTER PREFERENCE:

To change how you receive your newsletter or to unsubscribe from our mailing list, please email the church office at:

fremontfpc@gmail.com