

HOT OFF THE PRES...

Newsletter from First Presbyterian Church of Delaware

Worship Leaders

Sep 04	T.K.Cellar
Sep 11	Delayney Nelson &
	Makayla Cunningham
Sep 18	Delia Herzog
Sep 25	Dana Thacker

Greeters

Sep 04	The Walter Family (F) Joan Harper & Teri York (B)
Sep 11	Vicky Grubbs (F) The Englands (B)
Sep 18	The Thayers (F) Bob & Nancy Rietz (B)
Sep 25	The Welkers (F) The Nungessers (B)

Upcoming Events

- Sep 05 Labor Day (Office Closed)
- Sep 11 Rally Day; Horse Parade
- Sep 19 Adult Study Begins

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From Our Pastor's Heart

Dear Friends,

It's so nice to have Wenda and Nikki back from vacations and CPE! Fall is almost upon us and the children in our church and community have begun what I hope will be a more normal school year. I am thankful that FPC is working its way back into a new rhythm. It is interesting after more than two years away from our traditional patterns, how many former details can slip your mind. The restart following COVID has had its ups and downs, but so many of you have offered to pick up some important parts of our community life.

Thank you to all who have stepped up! Michele King is recruiting greeters for Sunday mornings. Bill Rietz is working on filling up the usher teams. Barbara Lou Morrison is putting together communion prep and clean up teams. Peggy Hawse continues to recruit worship leaders. Nikki and the C.E. committee are looking for Children's Moment volunteers and Sunday School teachers. Maddy has the adult handbells practicing and Joe will return soon to work with the Chancel choir. Emily Hinton continues with the two meals a month. The Laundry Love Ministry is flourishing and is in the process of being refined. We are hoping to be more present with our clients. All these areas

Your Library

Sections in the library give you chances to deepen your faith, find answers to challenges faced in life, and study the Bible and Christian history. The library has a system of colored dots that are explained on a listing posted by the inner windows.

One section is "Prayer, Mediation & Worship" with such books as the Barclay's Apostle's Creed, Heartfulness Way by Patel, and Eerdman's Book of Famous Prayers.

The "Bible Life and People" section books include History of God, Who's Who in Christian History, and Twelve Apostles by Ronald Browning.

Of course, there's the picture book section for the youngest and a teen and preteen section. Check out is easy. Drop in and explore!

Booked for Faith

Come to church for a casual sharing of books that enriched your faith. The book you bring to talk about might be a novel, a devotional, or a faith book like those written by authors like Lucado, Yancey, Sarah Young. We'll spend an informal hour together. Our first meeting will be in the church library September 13 @10am. Everyone is welcome.

Marilyn Schroeder, church librarian, would be glad to answer questions: **740-201-3325** need volunteers. If any of these ministries speak to you, your help would be greatly appreciated. Consider inviting a friend to join you. The more the merrier.

As we step into this new phase in our ministry it is important to recognize that we won't be doing things exactly the way we did before COVID. A good example is that we remain seated during the postlude. What a lovely way to enjoy the well-prepared piece of music that we are sent out on. We also started pouring the baptismal water at the start of COVID and that remains a meaningful part of the beginning of worship.

I look forward to our kickoff to the new program year on September 11th. That is the same day as the Horse Parade so there will be opportunities for fellowship with each other and members of the community. As we make our way into Autumn, may God bless and keep you and those you hold dear.

Faithfully, Pastor Deb

Update From Nikki Hogarth

Dear friends,

You may have noticed that you didn't see me as much as usual this summer. Over the past few months, I had the opportunity and challenge to complete an intensive unit of Clinical Pastoral Education or CPE. CPE is a chaplaincy training program that is a part of my ordination requirements for our denomination. So, from May 23- Early August, I was working as a hospital chaplain at Marion General Hospital. I worked at the hospital 30+ hours a week, attended classes 10hrs per week, came to church on Sundays and tried to support ongoing church business in the evenings. I was a bit nervous and hesitant about this work, not knowing if the hospital environment was going to be somewhere I enjoyed or flourished (I get queasy rather easily). I prayed fervently that I would be able to at least complete the requirements. It was to my great surprise that I actually loved it! There is something very special about having the opportunity to sit with others in moments of great challenge and moments of great joy. I actually found that ministering in the hospital isn't much different than ministering outside the hospital...its just a condensing of critical moments.

I thank you all so much for your support through this summer. I couldn't have done this without you. And I know that I will be a better pastor for the experiences and the learning that I had!

Fellowship

All Horse Parade @ FPC September 11th @ 3pm

FPC Fellowship will be providing *FREE* Hot Dogs, Smoked Sausages, Popcorn and Lemonade on the church front lawn during the All Horse Parade.

Halloween Costume Game Night October 22nd @ 7pm-9pm

Play your favorite board game and meet some creepy folks in the church Social Room!

Presbees

Presbees Lunch & Program

Wednesday, Sep 21st @ 12pm In Social Room with Catered Lunch

Session

Joint meeting with the Deacons on Sept. 6th.

Pastor's Discretionary Fund purchased 7 pickle ball paddle sets for the Unity Community Center. Delaware Pickle Ball will spend the next month or two teaching the youth.

Session approved Dick Thayer's request for a \$1000 for the Membership committee to buy ornaments of our church to be sold to members and friends.

There will be a Halloween Game Night, October 22, 2022 with costumes.

Upcoming Youth Events

Please get ahold of Nikki ASAP for more details and to sign-up! **740-513-7674**

Sunday, September 18th - *FREE* Youth Gathering @ Covenant Presbyterian Church in Columbus from 2-4pm (Grade 6-12). We would leave in the church van after worship.

Presbytery 2022 Fall Youth Retreat

"Attitude of Gratitude" Presbytery of Scioto Valley Youth Retreat Save the Date! Nov. 12th- Nov. 13th

Cost:

\$80 per participant (If registered by Oct. 17)\$100 per participant (If registered between Oct. 18-31)

Keep your eyes open for more information about the retreat coming soon! **Questions?** E-mail: kathibubb@gmail.com; Phone: (614) 471-4491 (Mifflin Presbyterian Church).

Fall Adult Study of Elijah & Elisha

We have all been there. Rock bottom. The end of our rope. The last straw. During such times, it often seems like the only option is to throw in the towel. In *"Hope for Hard Times"*, author and pastor, Magrey deVega, examines the lives of the great Biblical prophets Elijah and Elisha. From their stories we learn of God's consistent message of hope for our own lives. Come join other adults from our church family as we learn together in a 4-week study of deVega's book. Classes will be held on Monday evenings from 7pm-8pm and Wednesdays from 9am-10am in the church library. An optional remote zoom hook-up will be available for the Wednesday class.

Participants should order their own copy of the book. New and used copies are available from Amazon Books starting at \$6.00. Christianbook.com has new copies at \$14.00 or ebooks at \$10.00.

Please register your interest in the class by contacting Peggy Stringham at casnpeg@msn.com or 740-834-9025. Please indicate which class you will be attending, Monday evening or Wednesday morning. The first sessions will be Monday, Sept. 19th and Wednesday, Sept. 21st.

Richard W. Smith Civil War Lecture

When: September 22nd

Where: Owu Benes Room in Hamilton-Williams Campus Center

Time: TBA

Speaker Dr. Caroline Janney, winner of the 2022 Lincoln Prize for her book, Ends of War: The Unfinished Fight of Lee's Army after Appomattox.

Deacons

The deacons continue to keep our congregation in our hearts, prayers, and actions.

"Carry joy in your heart, Even if you cannot use it now. Save it for later Save it for other times when It can bring hope to as many People as possible." SC

Address Change

Rick & Rebecca Fair 4955 Pointe Breeze Dr. Dublin, OH 43016

(This is a temporary address while they build a condo in Hilliard)

In Sympathy

Please keep The Batterton Family (Eric, Vicki, and Ben Roel) in your thoughts and prayers. Eric lost his father, Richard "Lowell" Batterton, in August.

Flower Chart

We have re-posted the Flower Chart in the Campbell Addition! Forms and directions are posted by the chart. Please watch the weekly email for more information and Wenda if you have any questions.

<u>ALLERGY ALERT</u>: Please be mindful not to order any type of lily that would give off a strong fragrance and affect our choir.

Birthdays

Sep 01	Ruth Rabby, Gail Abernathy
Sep 03	Christopher Mampe
Sep 05	Jacqueline Shelley
Sep 06	Bob Rietz (92)
Sep 08	Kathy Davis
Sep 10	Bob Caulkins (98), Brenda Walter
Sep 11	Lois Perkins (96)
Sep 13	Pat Milla (89), Alan Cory
Sep 14	Phil Grubbs, Tricia Shaw, Luke Dunham
Sep 16	Steve Gordon, Jessica Burke, Rees Pavlovich
Sep 17	Dalton Burke
Sep 18	Abigail Cunningham
Sep 19	Connie Rich (89)
Sep 21	Olive Hogarth
Sep 22	Carson Maharry
Sep 23	Cheryl Ellzey
Sep 26	Rex Welker
Sep 27	Bernadette Dodeci; Linda Heineike

Sep 29 Wendell Patton (90)

Anniversaries

Sep 03	Jim & Jill Hoovler (39)
Sep 03	Mike & Beth Niemi (28)
Sep 04	Keith & Carol Burns (40)
Sep 06	Jennifer & Gary Flavell (25)
Sep 07	Chris & Lisa Macri (26)
Sep 11	Richard & Rebecca Fair (40)
Sep 13	Barb Tull & Bob Tannehill (8)

Sep 18 Brent & Tammy Hunter (18)

September Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4 New Members Join 10am Worship 11:30am Handbells	5 OFFICE CLOSED Labor Day	6 6:30pm Joint Session/Deacons	7 10am Meditation 7pm Fellowship 7:30pm Choir	8	9	10
11 Rally Day Communion 10am Worship 11:30am Handbells 11:30am HR 3pm Horse Parade 5pm Meal	12 6:30pm W&M	13 10am Book Club	14 10am Meditation 7:30pm Choir	15 7:30pm Abigail Circle	16	17 Delaware Fair Begins
18 Nikki Preaching No Sunday School 10am Worship 11:30am Handbells 2pm Youth Gathering @ Covenant	19 7pm Adult Study	20 3:30pm Presbytery	21 9am Adult Study 10am Meditation 12pm Presbees 7:30pm Choir	22 Jug Day 5pm Meal	23	24
25 10am Worship 11:30am Handbells	26 7pm Adult Study	27 10am Gathering @ W.B. Del. Run	28 9am Adult Study 10am Meditation 7:30pm Choir	29	30	