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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

OUR MISSION

TO BE THE
LOVING
COMMUNITY OF
JESUS CHRIST
THAT WILL

WIN

NEW FOLLOWERS
OF CHRIST TO
SAVING FAITH

GROW

ALL FOLLOWERS
TO DEEPER FAITH

GO

INTO THE
WORLD AND
DEMONSTRATE
FAITH

The Semi-Annual congregational meeting will be held Sunday, November 22 following worship at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary for the purpose of:

1. Reviewing and voting on the adequacy of the compensation of the pastor upon report of prior review by session
2. Electing of new elders

NOTE: any who choose should be able to attend remotely by Zoom. Watch for details.

Remember to Pray for One Another!

Your First Presbyterian Church Family believes in the power of prayer. (See Romans 1:9b-10a). You are invited to pray intentionally with, and for, one another on Sunday mornings, at 8:45 am, and Wednesday mornings, at 9 am, at FPC

SOUL SHINE LEADING MUSICAL WORSHIP

Soul Shine will be leading us in musical worship on November 22. Please remember the the *Prelude of Praise* will begin at **9:25 a.m.** on these Sundays.

CARDS TO COLLEGE STUDENTS

Would you like to send a note to our members who are away at college? These are the names and addresses for them:

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE TRUSTEES

The trustees are asking for special donations for repair/ replacement of the roof over the educational wing, which is leaking. Donations can be placed in the Sunday offering plates or may be mailed in to the office/Attn: Building Fund. The work is needed to begin within October/November 'to be completed before December. The estimated cost is \$26,000. Thank you that you have always responded generously for all past major repair projects so that we might continue to meet the needs of the church's building where so much good ministry and mission take place.

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PRAYER IS POWERFUL. LET'S PRAY TOGETHER!

We invite you to be a part of refreshing the PRAYER LIFE of our congregation! We know that the foundation of prayer is so important for anything we do. There is an opportunity each week to be a part of this important and special work of the church; **Wednesday mornings from 9-10 am**, in the library. Please come join us to see what great work God is waiting to do, as we thank, seek & ask Him.

Heavenly Father, Thank you, that we can come before you, our loving, powerful Father and ask for you help and guidance. Thank you for how you have blessed FPC these past 150 years. Will you please continue to pour out your blessings upon us? We ask for you protection and provision, for our church and leaders, as we enter this time of wanting to grow closer to you, and be your disciples. Please help our hearts to be open to what you want to teach us. Help us to see your love for us, and others all around us. Show us where we can be your hands and feet. Give us courage to speak out in love and kindness, in your Name, where we see need. Please heal those who are sick; comfort those whose hearts are hurting; provide for those in need; bless and protect our families; heal our nation and world. Jesus, thank you for your amazing gift of complete forgiveness, because of your obedience and sacrifice on the cross, on our behalf. Please help us to live with new awareness of the freedom we have been given, as your deeply loved sons and daughters. Help us to grasp and understand the rich PRIZE you have for us, and those all around us. Holy Spirit, please reveal yourself to us, guide, lead, and protect us.

In Jesus's Mighty Name,

Amen

Want more help with HOW to pray and for WHAT? See the daily Calendar for PRAYER on page 4.



PLEASE PRAY EACH DAY WITH US, FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND CHURCH

1. Pray for Restoration and Revival <i>Psalm 80:19</i>	2. Pastor John and his family <i>Galatians 6:9</i>	3. FPC Staff <i>1 Corinthians 16:4</i>	4. Our Hurting World <i>John 3:16</i>	5. Public Schools & Opportunity School <i>Proverbs 22:6</i>	6. Shut-ins <i>James 1:27</i>
7. Community Meals <i>Matthew 25:37-40</i>	8. Worship <i>Psalm 86: 9-10</i>	9. Hearts of Hurting People <i>Psalm 34:18</i>	10. Session <i>Isaiah 41:10</i>	11. PADS Shelter & Homeless <i>Matthew 25:35-40</i>	12. Protection of the Congregation <i>Ephesians 6:10-18</i>
13. Invite & Welcome the Holy Spirit <i>Titus 3:4-7</i>	14. Choir & Music Team <i>Psalm 92:1</i>	15. LOL4JC & Sr. High Ministry <i>Proverbs 22:6</i>	16. Our Children <i>Matthew 19:14</i>	17. Pray for Missionaries Strength & Protection <i>Acts 1:8</i>	18. Riverside Women's Center <i>Luke 21:18-19</i>
19. Health of the Congregation <i>James 5:14</i>	20. Small Groups & Missional Communities <i>Hebrews 10:25</i>	21. Nation, State & Government <i>1 Timothy 2:1-4</i>	22. Z.O.N.E. <i>Matthew 19:14</i>	23. Our Seniors <i>Psalm 90:14</i>	24. Churches of Ottawa <i>Hebrews 10:24- 25</i>
25. Ottawa Mayor & City Counsel <i>1 timothy 2:1-4</i>	26. Leaders of Ministries <i>Hebrews 13:17-18</i>	27. Ottawa Community <i>Jeremiah 29:7</i>	28. Pray for those who are far from God <i>Luke 10:2</i>	29. Servant's Heart <i>Matthew 25:37-40</i>	30. Marseilles Community <i>Jeremiah 29:7</i>

New Adult Sunday School starting Nov 8th, 2020 - via Zoom at 11:15 am

Colossians & Philemon

The book of Colossians is Paul's letter to a young, confused church that faced the problems of false teaching. In it he masterfully presents Jesus Christ as the Creator/Sustainer of the universe and the supreme Head of the church.

The book of Philemon is a personal and warm letter from one believer to another. Speaking on behalf of Onesimus, a runaway slave, Paul implores Philemon to be merciful and take him back, seeing him now as a Christian brother rather than a slave.

Come join in and be part of this exciting study as we learn what God's word proclaims.

Topics in Colossians & Philemon

Background of Colossians

Survey of Colossians

Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Person and Work of Christ

Heresies Exposed

Christianity in Action

Personal Greetings and Salutations

Paul's Letter to Philemon



Coming in 2021 – The Book of Ecclesiastes



LADIES' NITE OUT

Will resume when we are able
to meet safely

KUM JOIN US

Will resume when we are able
to meet safely



FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FAMILY

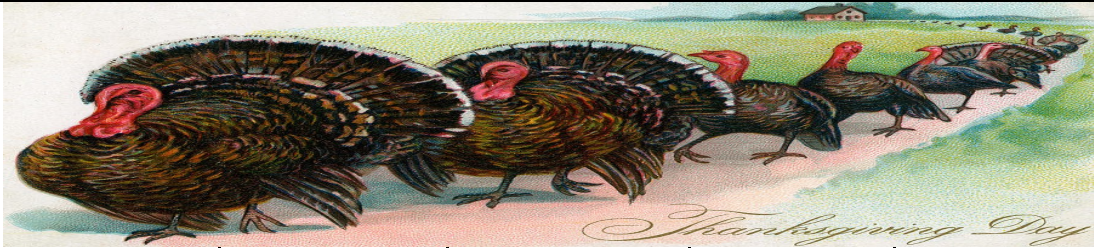


NOVEMBER

Brad Armstrong	1
Julie Angus	1
Carol Zimmerman	6
Jean Zeilmann	6
Brian Smithmeyer	6
Chris Keely	8
Nolan Zarwell	12
Griffin Clemens	15
Laura Zarwell	15
Kevin Arjes	16
Gayle Schmitt	17
Pat Gerding	18
Kyle Zarwell	22
Thaddeus Armstong	26
Ron Koestler	28
Lori Trolinger	30

DECEMBER

Sandy Finnegan	4
Lori Olson	4
Ben Dial	6
Bruce Smith	6
Karen Mikkelsen	6
Helen Tammen	11
Sawyer Booras	11
John Gibbs	12
Betty Angus	18
Jax & Marek Zarwell	24
Anna Schmidt	26
Olivia Trolinger	28

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30 a.m.— In person and remote worship (on YouTube at FPC Ottawa)			9:00 a.m.— Wednesday Prayer Team (meeting in the FPC library)			
1. ALL SAINTS DAY	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.
8.	9.	10. 7 pm– Committee Meetings	11. VETERAN’S DAY	12.	13.	14.
15. NOON– Community Meal Shoeboxes MUST be turned in today!	16.	17. 7 pm– Session	18.	19.	20.	21.
22. 10:30am– SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING	23.	24.	25.	26. THANKSGIVING DAY	27.	28.
29.	30.					



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Return Service Requested

OPERATIONS CHRISTMAS CHILD-SAMARITAN'S PURSE

If you would like to pack a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child please bring it to the church library **no later than Sunday, November 15**. If you prefer, you can build a box online at www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child.org. Contact Lori Trolinger (815-795-6791) with any questions.



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*** Refresh Your Prayer Life on Sunday & Wednesday Mornings**