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June

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

Let the Lord's Light Shine!!

We are starting to see a light at the end of the tunnel. This past year has been difficult. But, through this pandemic, the light of God's love has never stopped shining at FPC. Let's share that light with the community this summer! On the third Sunday of every month, beginning in June and continuing through July and August, we will hold worship services outside on the Jefferson Street block (weather permitting) with music by Soul Shine and a Community Meal to follow. Worship will begin at 10:30 a.m. (please note the time change for outdoor services) and Soul Shine will perform at 10:25. Come join us early for Soul Shine, and then stay and enjoy wonderful fellowship with your church family after the service as we serve the Community Meal at 12. The Fellowship & Outreach Committee will grill hotdogs and brats outdoors and serve those in the community, as well as all the members of FPC, who are looking for a good meal and rich conversation. So bring your lawn chairs and your appetite (spiritual and physical) on the third Sunday of the month in June, July, and August for an exciting outdoor worship and fellowship event.

Note: In case of inclement weather, we will hold worship services inside at the later scheduled time - 10:30 am.

SUMMER OUTDOOR WORSHIP WITH SOUL SHINE

Starting at 10:25 a.m. with a Prelude of Praise

- **Sunday, June 20**
- **Sunday, July 19**

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

*Our Elders are
committed to serving.*

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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**, by Zoom. 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>

VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

The Fellowship & Outreach Committee is looking for families, small groups, or organizations that are willing to prepare and serve the community meal on the third Sunday of the month for the months of September, October, and December. Please contact Julie Angus (815.252.3402) if you are interested or if you know of a group that would be willing to help!

VOLUNTEER



KUM JOIN US

Will resume when we are able to meet safely



FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FAMILY



JUNE

Madisyn McGrath	3
Donna Burkey	14
Beth Woodyer	15
Jenna Smithmeyer	17
Tim Huebner	20
Bill Buckingham	26
Max McGrath	26
James Gibbs	30

JULY

Kylie Booras	1
Carol Woeckel	3
Nicholas Angus	4
Mary Ellen West	5
Peggy Harvey	5
Joy Huebner	8
Dorene Pratt	9
James Keely	19
Gail Dial	19
Linda Lindeman	25
Stacey Bragg	25

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:30 a.m.— In person and remote worship (on YouTube at FPC Ottawa) 11:15 a.m.-Adult Sunday School via Zoom			9:00 a.m.— Wednesday Prayer Team by Zoom			
		1.	2.	3.	4.	5.
6.	7.	8. 7 pm– Committee Meetings	9.	10.	11.	12.
13.	14.	15. 7 pm– Session	16.	17.	18.	19.
20. <u>FATHER'S DAY</u> 10:25 am– Prelude of Praise & Worship Outside Noon– Community Meal	21.	22.	23.	24.	25.	26.
27.	28.	29.	30.			



June 2021

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Return Service Requested

SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY

Sunday, June 6 is Senior Recognition Sunday! Come to worship where our STUDENTS will be leading us as we celebrate Noah Trolinger and Nick Angus as they graduate from high school.



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