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Monday-Friday
8:00 to 4:00
Lunch is usually
11:30-12:30

Sunday Schedule

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Sunday School following
children's moment
Time of fellowship follows

Wednesday Schedule

6:00 - 9:00 Youth Groups
Middle School, High School,
and Post Hi Groups
7:00 Choir Rehearsal

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Tyler and Josh Orem Update

If you would like to keep up with what they are doing, you can go to their blog sites (use Google):

<http://tylergoestoindia.blogspot.com>

<http://joshorem.blogspot.com>

To make it even easier, direct links are also set up on the home page of our website.

Add to your card list **Postage** is **\$.98** for their addresses as listed below.

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They would also appreciate hearing from you throughout the year.



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The Lighted Spire

First Presbyterian Church Shelbyville, Indiana
January, 2010

Happy New Year!!

What a great holiday!

December is a busy time at the church and it is so nice to see so many people who have pitched in to make this a special season. Whether it was helping with a special program, baking, doing a reading during a worship service, buying a present for the Warm Fuzzy Tree...etc. (the list goes on and on!) it is a great feeling to know that we are a church filled with participaters!

Special meeting

For all members of the Session, ABC Deacons, and D Deacons

Once a year the Session and Deacons are required, by the Book of Order, to have a meeting, so I have invited the Purpose Driven Team to be a part of this annual event on **January 10th following worship**. The main reason to have everyone together is to talk about the upcoming 40 Days of Purpose Campaign at First Presbyterian Church of Shelbyville.

We will watch a video from Rick Warren and his team members about what to expect from the campaign and have lunch. We should finish around 2:00 P.M. Lunch will be simple and free. If you cannot attend please let the office know by January 3rd.

Thank you so much for your willingness to serve in the leadership role of this church and to attend the All Church Board meeting on January 10th. (For you Colts fans they should have a bye on the 10th.)
Pastor Mark

Presbyterian Women say thanks!

Many thanks to everyone who made goodies for Presbyterian Women's Cookie Walk. Thanks to the generosity of those who made goodies or purchased goodies almost \$350 was raised to support Presbyterian Women's mission projects. Special thanks go to Nancy Mazonas for passing on her expertise at chairing the Cookie Walk and to Karla Crouch who did a wonderful job as chairperson this year. Be watching for this event again next year!

Visit us on the web: www.fpcshelbyville.org

Congratulations

We offer our joy to Paul and Beth Nahre on the birth of their first grandchild, Julia Ann Stults, born December 20 and weighing in at 9 pounds, 11 ounces. Julia's parents are Sarah (Nahre) and Mike Stults. Our best wishes as they welcome this new addition to their family.



Time off

The church office will be closed on December 31 and January 1 for the New Year holiday. Office hours may vary this week, so please leave a message if no one is available to answer the phone if you call the office.

Thank you, thank you, thank you

We offer a big thank you to Jinky Craft and Janet Orem for all the work they did to make the Warm Fuzzy Tree a success this year. They did a lot of hard work in preparation and in getting the presents sorted and delivered to 22 children from 8 families in the community. They put a lot of time and effort into this wonderful mission project.

Let's fix lunch!

On Sunday, January 17, we are on the schedule to fix lunch for the Salvation Army. If you would like to help with this by either fixing food or helping out with transportation, serving or cleaning up, please talk to Sheila Palmer or Marilyn Bushfield.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School News

Sunday School is in full swing! All children begin in worship until the Children's Time. Pre-school through 4th grade meet upstairs every week. The grades 5-8 class meets downstairs about twice a month and stays for worship on other Sundays.

Adult Sunday School

A discussion of the book Theology for Dummies (provided) meets in the parlor at 9:30 am, on Sunday mornings, led by Will Mitchell. This group will meet through the end of January.



All Middle School, High School and Post-Hi Youth Groups meet on Wednesday evenings beginning at 6:00 and ending at 9:00. Each age group will meet for its own discussion time and activities, but everyone will eat dinner together.



Keep these people in your thoughts and prayers.

Those ill, hospitalized, or facing/had surgery

Bob and Bette Moore
Charles Craft Miriam Willey
Jamie Orem Frances Cherry
Phil Sorrell Bill Oeffinger
Bill and Jonita Smith
John & Martha Ervin Judy Mitchell
Izetta Brokering Sandy Fisher

Church family and friends

Jai-sin (Seung Min's mother)
Jane Curran Elizabeth Bir
Phyllis Stephens Julie Harris
Natalie Sargent Jon Ross
Chera Shaub Cory Teri
Britney and Justin Douglass
Cassie & Ryan Popplewell
Sally Willis Bill Collins
Alison McCreary John Scudder
Danny Harris Ruth Harris
Susan Barillo Betty Nichols Paul Neel

Those unable to attend worship

Doris Curran Bill Oeffinger
John and Martha Ervin
John Grigsby Tom Strawn
Marie King Phil & Deloris Sorrell

Those in military service

Kyle McLane Adam Moser
Brent Crouch Paul Schoentrup
Cody Tumey Blake McIntire
Jeremiah Harpring Brett Walburn

Please let the office know of anyone you wish to have added to our prayer list. Also let us know if there are those whose situation has changed and can be removed.

Special prayers for

Josh and Tyler Orem in Kenya and India.
Our college students

Ways we can help in our community

Monetary donations for **Josh and Tyler Orem**.
—contact the church office for details
Canned food, non-perishable items, paper products, and hygiene products for **Human Services Food Pantry**

Travel size shampoo, soap, toothpaste, etc.
for **Turning Point domestic abuse shelters**

Monetary donations for our **Member's Emergency Fund** to help members alleviate financial burdens in the case of a catastrophic event. Make checks payable to the church and mark **Emergency Fund** in the memo section

Women's socks, underwear and sweat suits for **Starting Point sexual assault center**
Food, treats, toys, paper towels, leashes, collars, etc for the **Humane Society**

Check out our website for information about the life of the church, past sermons and more!

January Spire

Deadline 9AM Jan 18
Publication date Jan 26

Session Meeting

Session will have their regular meeting on Monday, January 11 at 7:00 p.m. Please let the church office or Bonnie Harris know if you are unable to attend.



Worship Totals

November

Total attendance 542
Total offering \$12,969



January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday Schedule 9:30 Theology for Dummies 9:30 Choir Rehearsal 10:30 Worship Service and Sunday School 11:45 Fellowship hour	Deacons for January Ashlee Harris* Deb Hassebroek Bill Runshe Bob Topy		Wednesday Schedule 9:00 Weight Watchers 5:30 Weight Watchers 6-9 All Youth Groups 7:00 Choir Rehearsal	Office closed on December 31 and January 1	1  2	
3 Regular Schedule	4	5 1:30 Women of the Word (Afternoon Cir) 7:00 BRCC Practice 7:30 AA	6 Regular Schedule  Epiphany	7	8 6:00-12:00 Meeker Creative Memories workshop	9 9:00 Un-decorate church
10 Regular Schedule 11:30 All Church Board Meeting	11 7:00 Session	12 7:30 AA	13 Regular Schedule	14	15	16
17 Regular Schedule Serve lunch at the Salvation Army	18 <i>Spire deadline</i> 6:30 Homemakers	19 7:00 BRCC Practice 7:30 AA	20 Regular Schedule	21 7:00 Boy Scouts	22	23
24 Regular Schedule	25 7:30 Women of the Cloth (prayer shawl)	26 <i>The Lighted Spire</i> 11:30 CCC (55+) at Cagney's 7:30 AA	27 Regular Schedule	28 7:00 Boy Scouts	29	30
31 Regular Schedule 6:00 Leahy Recital						



Choir Rehearsals

Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the choir room
 Sunday mornings at 9:30 am
 You are welcome to come to either rehearsal or both!
 Anyone in high school or older is welcome to join us.
 If you have any questions about joining, call Cynthia at 392-7805 or email her at cbmorn@hotmail.com.

If you have a favorite hymn let Cynthia know or drop a note in the collection plate, and we will try to put it into the service sometime in the next few weeks.



Weekly Bible Readings

January 3 (2nd After Christmas Day)

Jeremiah 31:7-14
 Psalm 147:12-20
 Ephesians 1:3-14
 John 1:(1-9) 10-18

January 6 (Epiphany of the Lord)

Isaiah 60:1-6
 Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14
 Ephesians 3:1-12
 Matthew 2:1-12

January 10 (Baptism of the Lord)

Isaiah 43:1-7
 Psalm 29
 Acts 8:14-17
 Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

January 17 (2nd in Ordinary Time)

Isaiah 62:1-5
 Psalm 36:5-10
 1 Corinthians 12:1-11
 John 2:1-11

January 24 (3rd in Ordinary Time)

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
 Psalm 19
 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a
 Luke 4:14-21

January 31 (4th in Ordinary Time)

Jeremiah 1:4-10
 Psalm 71:1-6
 1 Corinthians 13:1-13
 Luke 4:21-30



Birthdays

Dave Fisher	03
Sheila Palmer	04
Jerry Kuyk	05
Anita Davie	05
David Wheeler	05
Sandy McLane	06
Cynthia Morningstar	07
Bob Phares	07
Melody Skipton	11
Tom Crouch	15
Ray Brown	25
Lee Evans	30
Kip Schnaiter	31
Marilyn Phares	31
Katherine DePrez	31
Joe Dickmann	31
Beth Morningstar	31

Anniversaries

Walt and Betty Alexander	01
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These are the adult birthdays and anniversaries we have on our list. If we missed yours, please call the church office and let us know. Thanks!

Contact Us

Members of the Session are:

Spiritual Growth

Luke Messer, Jon Orem, Jenna Gunnoe

Congregational Care & Mission

Gary Williams, Carolyn Statler

Stewardship

Hugh Garner, Dan Runshe, Tom Bubar

New members

Emily Campbell, Dave Fisher

CCC 55+

Everyone age 55 and over is invited to the next gathering of the CCC's to be held on Tuesday, January 26 at 11:30 in the private dining room at Cagney's Restaurant. If you plan to attend, have any questions, or need a ride, please call George or Marian Hobbs at 392-2335.



Attention ladies!

Women of the Word

The Afternoon Circle will meet on Tuesday, January 5 at 1:30 p.m. in the church parlor. All women are invited to attend.

Women of Faith

Watch the Spire and bulletins for plans for January.

Women of the Cloth

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets at 7:30 p.m. in the church parlor on the fourth Monday of each month. They knit and crochet and have wonderful fellowship. Everyone is welcome to attend. Call Mattie Krautheim with questions - 835-4348.

Time to pack everything away!

On Saturday, January 9, beginning at 9:00 a.m., we will join together to take down the Christmas decorations and pack them away for another year. While not as much fun as putting them up, it is a necessary thing. Please make plans to join us for whatever time you have available the day. A light lunch will be served.

Offering Envelopes

If you would like to use offering envelopes for your contributions, they will be available beginning Sunday, January 3. If you usually use envelopes, there will be a box designated for you. If you are new to using envelopes, there will be plenty of boxes available. If you take an undesignated box, please be sure to put your name on the sheet next to the number on the box you are taking so we can give you proper credit.

Community News

The Census Bureau needs to hire people to work in Shelby County collecting information. A representative from the Census Bureau will be at the First Baptist Church's Christian Center on Sunday, January 3 (yes, this is the correct date), at 11:00 a.m. He will explain the hiring process and answer questions. Local people hired will work in Shelby County 20 to 40 hours per week.

The Purdue Extension Office of Shelby County invites you to the *Healthy Habits for Life* program. The program will help you establish lifelong eating and activity habits that will put you on the road to a healthier you. It is designed to help you make gradual, permanent changes in your lifestyle. There are 6 sessions: January 11 and 25, February 1, 8, and 22, and March 1. Sessions will be held from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Shelby County Extension Office. Bring your lunch. Cost is \$5 for the entire program. Call the extension office to register by January 8—317-392-6460. There are flyers on the bulletin boards with more information.

Things are happening at Pyoca!



Third Thursdays

Pyoca is looking for a few great folks who are available on the third Thursdays of each month beginning on January 21, 2010 to help get camp ready for the summer! They'll provide all the tools, materials and even lunch! There is a lot of work to be done, and they need your help! Projects include building bunk beds, cleaning cabins, painting, cushion construction, and more! If you are available, please let Rich Swartwood know by calling 866-251-2267 or e-mail him at rich@pyoca.org so they can be prepared for a great day!

Scrapbooking Retreat

February 19-21, 2010. Pyoca is once again offering a 2 1/2 day event for the novice to expert "scraper" who is looking for some uninterrupted time to work on scrapbooks. They'll have a representative from Creative Memories available as well as two educational sessions. Bring your materials, photographs, and be prepared to have a blast! Registration ends February 19! Be sure to register today at www.pyoca.org. Cost is \$135.

Mystery Quilt Retreat

It's back! Pyoca's seventh annual Mystery Quilt Weekend, March 26-28, 2010! Come to this great event and come away with a quilt top that you will create! They'll let you know how much fabric and what type you'll need, and you build it that weekend! Led by their own Peggy Burns it will be a sure hit! From novice to experienced, all come away with a work of art, great memories, and loads of fun! Registration is available on their website at www.pyoca.org. Cost is \$130.

Flyers and registration forms are available on all the bulletin boards or in the church office.

Pyoca provides opportunities for groups of all types a place to get away and become stronger groups! Please visit their web site for additional information on how Pyoca can host your next event!

Looking ahead — Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 17, 2010 for our annual afternoon at Pyoca.



To Everyone at First Presbyterian Church:

This **winter** our church will be participating in a 40 Days of Purpose Campaign, which will run for seven weekends beginning February 20 and ending April 11. This spiritual growth Campaign is designed to answer life's most important question: "What on earth am I here for?" The events of the Campaign will give us opportunities to commit to habits of spiritual growth, memorize scripture, participate in a small group fellowship, serve in a ministry in our church, share our faith, and learn to live a lifestyle of worship to the glory of God. We are excited as we envision our entire congregation living in alignment with God's purposes for their lives, and the impact this could have on our church and our community!

We are assembling a Campaign Team to facilitate the Campaign for our church. This team is responsible for:

- creating a prayer strategy for the Campaign
- coordinating the seven weekend services during the Campaign
- overseeing the weekly Bible studies that focus on the themes of the Campaign
- coordinating the major events that take place during the Campaign:
 1. **KICK-OFF:** The Campaign will kick-off on February 20 with a Kick-Off video hosted by Pastor Rick Warren, author of *The Purpose-Driven Life*, the book that forms the basis for the Campaign. The book is divided into 40 daily readings for the Campaign, and will be distributed to everyone in our church during the kick-off. During this inspirational time, Rick Warren will share his life message and set the stage for the Campaign events to come.
 2. **JOIN A GROUP:** At the beginning of the Campaign there will be an opportunity to join small groups which will be studying the Purpose-Driven Life curriculum. This interactive study allows for a deeper understanding of God's purposes and allows us to build friendships with others in our church.
 3. **MINISTRY FAIR/MISSIONS FAIR:** These events are designed to give people an opportunity to get involved in a church ministry or outreach by showcasing all our ministries, outreaches and missions, and welcoming new volunteers to serve.
 4. **CELEBRATION SUNDAY:** The Campaign culminates with a church-wide party where we will rejoice together in all God has done in our midst during the Campaign.

If you would like to join one of the teams that are coordinating the various parts of the Campaign, we would love to talk to you! Please contact our Campaign Director, Mike Whitfield or Pastor Mark at church.

We encourage you to join with us now, at this early stage, to pray for this Campaign. The potential impact this could have on our lives will be increased if the soil of our hearts is prepared through prayer. We are excited to embark on this spiritual journey together this **winter**, and we appreciate your prayers for the Campaign Team, for our church leaders, and for the impact of the Campaign in the lives of our people and the effectiveness of our church. So begin now to pray and prepare your own heart for the life-changing adventure of the *40 Days of Purpose*.

Signed,
Pastor Mark

FREQUENTLY-ASKED QUESTIONS

I hear the word "campaign" and think fundraising. Will I be asked to contribute extra money to a cause?

The *40 Days of Purpose Campaign* is a spiritual growth campaign which is designed to focus us aligning ourselves with God's purposes. We will not be asking for extra donations for the Campaign.

Is this Campaign something I can bring my seeker-friends to, or is it strictly targeted at believers?

This Campaign will have a powerful impact on both seekers and believers alike. The fundamental question of the Campaign, "What on earth am I here for?" is an ideal starting place for seekers. Everyone wants to know what their purpose in life is! There will be a distinct and strategic evangelistic emphasis throughout the Campaign. However, an equally powerful focus is on the growth of every believer, which will be evident with every God-ordained purpose presented. Believers who go through this Campaign will discover a clarity of purpose in their personal walk with God. They will be compelled to go to the next level in each of the five purposes on their spiritual journey with Jesus.

What happens during the Campaign that will compel me to go to the next level in each of the five purposes?

1. **Worship:** If you think worship is all about singing, think again! Discover the full-orbed idea behind worship, and begin to practice real worship during the Campaign.
2. **Fellowship:** If you haven't joined a small group yet, you will have a chance to connect with one for six weeks to study the five purposes in community with others.
3. **Discipleship:** If you need encouragement to grow by developing the personal disciplines of daily Bible reading and scripture memory, you will find inspiration during the Campaign as you read along in the *Purpose Driven Life* book, and memorize a weekly scripture verse about each purpose.
4. **Ministry:** If you haven't discovered where you can use your gifts and skills to serve others, you'll have a chance to explore opportunities and get plugged in to serve with a ministry that needs you. You will also be challenged to think beyond where you may be comfortable, and to have a servant's heart.
5. **Evangelism:** If you feel fearful or ill-equipped to communicate your faith to others, you will learn how to share your own story, and develop an effective life mission statement. You'll have a chance to investigate the various missions and outreaches our church is involved in, and see where you might like to serve.

Do you still need help on the Campaign Team?

Of course! The most important area we need help with is prayer! Without the prayers of our people, the Campaign will be just a set of activities. Pray together with us for the impact of the Campaign on the lives of our people and our church. Beyond prayer, here are the areas where we could still use some help:

Prayer Team

Small Group Hosts

Communications Coordinator

Special Celebration Team