



# First Presbyterian

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## The Lighted Spire

September, 2024

### Many, Many Changes!

There have been several upgrades to things around the church.

A new security system has been installed. If you come to the church during normal office hours (Monday-Thursday, 9:00-4:00), you need to come to Door 1 which is outside the offices. The door will be locked. There is a button on the front porch. Press the button and either Jane or Gretchen will communicate with you and will unlock the door to let you in. If you need to get into the church when the office is closed, you will need to make arrangements with Jane before that time. On Sunday mornings and for scheduled meetings and activities, all the doors will be unlocked. This is unfortunate, but necessary for the safety of the staff and those using the church. If you have one of the large, blue keys to the church, it will no longer open the doors, so please turn these in to the office (you can even place them in the collection plate!).

Once inside you will notice that Jane now has a Dutch door into her office. From there she can let you into the office or you can go on into the church. Many thanks to Fred Wittekind for changing Jane's door into its new form and also to Dan Runshe who helped Fred hang the door.

You will also notice that the restroom doors on the main floor and in the basement now have buttons to push to automatically open the doors. This will be a huge advantage for many of our members and guests.

If you have any questions about any of this, please feel free to talk to Jane, Gretchen, or a member of the Property Team (Emily Campbell, Glen Hobbs, Phil Howell, Jim Marshall or Dan Runshe).

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT [FPCSHELBYVILLE.ORG](http://FPCSHELBYVILLE.ORG)

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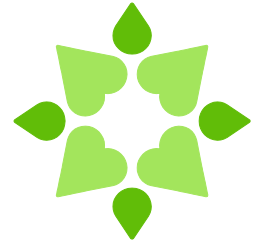
Gretchen Schneider, Transitional Pastor

Kim Livingston, Director of Music

Jane Runshe, Office Manager

Sara Roberts, Sunday School Coordinator

Dan Runshe, Sexton



I would like to express my gratitude to all members and friends of FPC for your gifts, cards, and well wishes on Sunday, August 25th. Thanks also to everyone who made the wonderful meal and fellowship time possible. My family and I felt loved and cared for. Know that you'll all be in my prayers, and I look forward to seeing you around the neighborhood.

In Christ's peace and love,

Max (and Heather and Harper, too)



## Confirmation Class

The Confirmation Class continues to meet with Pastor Gretchen. Watch your emails for meeting dates, class information and plan for your pool party at 3:00 on September 15. Please talk to Gretchen if you have any questions.

## Prayer Requests

Betty Alexander	Ron Kramer
Shane Appleton	Judy Mitchell
Jeanne Boback	Janet Orem
Shelby Bowers	Sharon Orem
Charline Brown	Bill & Joyce Runshe
Joanne Bubar	Dick Shuler
Marilyn Bushfield	Megan Smith & Dahlia
Vickie Butler	Kevin & Penny Springman
Woody Collins	Deloris Sorrell
Annette Craft	Marilyn VanCleve
Bert & Irene Curry	Dave Wheeler
Bill Garner	Wilma Weaver
Hugh Garner	Dawn Whitfield
Becky Gattis	Nancy Wittekind
Phil & Linda Howell	

### Church family and friends

Matthew & Michael Berndt, Steven Binder, Elizabeth Bir, Mary Brown, Kristi Burton, Wyatt Cameron, Bill Collins, Betty Craft, Lida Craft, Cory, Dakota, Teri, Amber, Britney & Justin Douglass, Esther Gahimer, Julie Harris, Deloris Hassebroek, Vicki Hassebroek, Ashley Hedges, Hunter, Cammi Hooker, Jaxon, Betty Nichols, Chelsea Overhage, Lynn Pitts, Jon Ross, Darryl Runshe, Natalie Sargent, John Scudder, Chera Shaub, Shannon Trimmell, Peggy Trittipio, Brady Vanes, Cheryl White, Susan Woledge

### Those in military service

Curtis Bridgewater	Rocky Iaria	
Deacon Marshall	Blake McIntire	Adam Smith
Deryk Smith	Brett Walburn	

If the situation for any of these people has changed or someone needs to be added to our list, please let the church office know.



*Prayer Shawl Ministry*

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**  
**Fourth Monday of each month**  
**1:30-3:30pm**  
**Monday, September 23**

Guests are always welcome to come and join this ministry. If you like to knit or crochet, come and check out this group. Even if you don't know how to knit or crochet, they will be glad to teach you and get you started. This group is open to men and women. Even if you don't want to knit or crochet, you can always just come and enjoy the company.



Choir Rehearsals  
Wednesdays at 7:00pm  
in the choir room

No auditions required

If you love music, come join the fun!

## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday  
9:00am to 4:00pm  
May be closed during lunch time  
Office will be closed on Fridays

## Family pictures

The photo booth in the Apple Entry is all ready for you to take pictures. Please take advantage of this unique place to capture memories!



## Session Meeting ~ September 16

The Session will have their regular meeting on Monday, July 15 at 7:00pm in the church parlor.

## Team~Session Meeting - October 21 Fellowship Hall

If you have any questions, please talk to Pastor Gretchen. Elders please let Gretchen or Dawn Whitfield know if you cannot attend so you can be excused.

## CCC's

The CCC's met on September 5 and traveled to the new Olive Garden in Greenfield. Their next gathering will be Thursday, October 3 ~ watch for details. Please talk to Sheila if you have any questions.



## Statler Study Group

Fellowship Hall Breakfast Served  
Wednesdays at 8:00am

Their new study will be by Amy Jill Levine based on the Gospel of John.

First meeting will be Wednesday, September 11.  
New members & visitors always welcome!



**Age 3-5th grade** go with Jon Orem and Sara Roberts for their lessons following the Children's Time in worship. **Our middle and High Schoolers** go with Sarah Smith at this same time. They meet in the Wall Room upstairs. Nursery care is provided for **infants and toddlers** during worship. If you would like to volunteer to help with Sunday School, please talk to Jon, Sarah or Sara.

## Contact Information

### Website

[www.fpcshelbyville.org](http://www.fpcshelbyville.org)

### Phone

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Jane (ext. 1) Pastor  
Gretchen (ext. 2)

### Email addresses

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Gretchen  
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If you would like to come to worship on Sunday mornings,



## Rides Available

but don't have a way to get there, Jon and Sharon Orem are offering to pick people up on their way to worship. Please call them by Saturday if you would like a ride so they can make plans.

For more information or to schedule a ride, call Sharon (317-512-1842) or Jon (317-517-1341)



## Day of Caring



## JOIN US ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 FOR OUR DAY OF CARING

**9:30 ~ Short Worship Service**

**10:00 ~ Go to sites**

**12:00 ~ Lunch at church**

**Something for all ages!**

Head Start — assembling cabanas, painting a swing set, spreading mulch on the playground

Church — work in the catacombs, making lunch, helping children bake cookies

Community — Helping children deliver cookies to First Responders around Shelbyville



Dinner Before Bedtime is a program that our church has been helping with for many years. They work with churches and other organizations to assist in delivering meals to children who are in need of a hot meal before going to bed each night. This program was started in 2020 delivering meals to two children and as of 2024 a total of 15,483 meals were delivered.

This year our church has volunteered to deliver meals for the month of October. The meals are picked up at either Cagney's (on Wednesdays) or Cracker Barrel (all other days). The meals are packaged and ready to be delivered to a provided list. There is no direct contact with the families. You simply put the food in a cooler on the front porch.

Our hope is to give as many of you a chance to be involved. There will be a sign-up calendar available beginning Sunday for families to sign up to take a day or two during the month to perform this task. It usually takes about an hour to make these deliveries. Listen for more details during worship and plan to make this a part of your plans for October.



## Warm, Sturdy Socks

## Warm, Sturdy Gloves

## Warm Sweatshirts

(Hooded if possible)

XL, XXL or larger

because they are still wearable if they are too big but may not fit if they are too small and allows for layering.



We are also still collecting  
combs, hair brushes,  
toothbrushes (single or double packs),  
wet wipes, band aids,  
backpacks.



# Backpack Drive — Planning for a Warm November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
1 <b>Sunday Schedule</b>	2 3 B-Kate Garringer B-Becky Springman  6:30 BRYC 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	4 No Statler Group 11:00 Home Extension Lunch-fh 7:00 Choir-cr	5 B-Shane Appleton 12:30 CCC-Olive Garden- Greenfield	6 B-Sarah Smith	7 B-Vickie Butler		
8 <b>Sunday Schedule</b>	9 B-Chandler Tucker  6:30 BRYC 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	10 11 B-Abby Gabbard 8:00 Statler Group-fh New Study 7:00 Choir-cr	12 B-Dale Harris 6:30 Stone Craft Group-fh	13 B-Jane Runshe	14 B-Karla Crouch A-Fred & Nancy Wittekind 8:30 PEO-fh		
15 B-Andrew Muldoon <b>Day of Caring</b> 9:30 ~ Worship 10:00 ~ to sites 12:00 ~ Lunch 3:00 Confirmation Swim Party	16 B-Kris Skipton B-Will Mitchell  6:00 Girl Scout Troop 4826-fh 7:00 Session-p	17 A-Bill & Joyce Runshe  6:30 BRYC 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	18 8:00 Statler Group-fh  7:00 Choir-cr	19 B-Rollin Simpson	20 B-Barb Marshall	21 B-Adam Teal	
22 <b>Sunday Schedule</b>  11:15 Deacons	23 A-Jake & Paige Teal 1:30 Prayer Shawl Ministry	24 B-Mandy Bunton  6:30 BRYC 7:00 BRCC-cr 7:00 AA-fh	25 8:00 Statler Group-fh  7:00 Choir-cr	26 B-Marilyn Bushfield A-Michael & Lauren Pearce	27 B-Belle Orem	28	
29 <b>Sunday Schedule</b> 11:15 Confirmation Class	30 B-Peggy Sethman		<b>Sunday Schedule</b> 9:30 Choir warm up 10:00 Worship - sanctu- ary and on-line. After children's moment: Children and Mid-High Sunday School upstairs Fellowship after worship				B-Birthdays A-Anniversaries fh-fellowship hall p-parlor nar-Noah's Ark Room s-sanctuary cr-choir room k-kitchen



# Church Officers

## Session

### **Christian Education/Nurture**

Becky Gattis  
Sarah Smith  
Pattie Stone

### **Property/Finance**

Glen Hobbs  
Phil Howell  
Jim Marshall  
Dan Runshe

### **Worship/Evangelism/ Benevolence**

Sheila Palmer  
Melody Skipton  
Mike Whitfield

### **Clerk of Session**

Dawn Whitfield

### **Treasurer**

Glen Hobbs

## Deacons

Sharon Orem—Moderator  
Emily Campbell—Treasurer  
Carolyn Statler—Secretary  
Jim Browning  
Linda Howell

Debby McLeod  
Judy Mitchell  
Jon Orem  
Ron Kramer

## Hospitality Team

### **Jan-Apr-Jul-Oct**

Glen Hobbs  
Debby McLeod  
Sharon Orem  
Deb Hassebroek

### **Feb-May-Aug-Nov**

Shane Appleton  
Vickie Butler

### **Mar-Jun-Sep-Dec**

Volunteer months  
See calendar in  
fellowship hall to  
sign up

**Alternates - Ron Kramer &  
Pattie Stone**

***You do not need to be a member of the church to be  
on the Hospitality Team***