



First Word

News and Events of FPC

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As We Go Forward

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Not long ago I was looking forward to spring, then summer came. Now autumn is just around the corner. Garden harvest has begun and field harvest is not far behind. I love spring, summer, and autumn, and the change of seasons between them. But winter – not so fond of it. But I begrudgingly accept they are all part of one package. In northern Indiana, at least, if you get any of the seasons, you get all four.

Thinking of summer, we just finished our annual family week on the farm – with siblings, in-laws, nephews, nieces, children and grandchildren – all working together on maintenance and upkeep projects that kept us busy and focused throughout a long week. But every year we take a half day for some fun and distraction. This year it was the Elkhart County 4-H Fair, starting in early afternoon and going for as long as your legs and feet could get you around, or until closing – whichever came first. (I left well before closing, so I could still walk to the car for a ride back to the farm, but I did have a fun time while it lasted.)

But I am getting ahead of the point I want to make. My ride to the fair was with our son, Kris, who has worked for United Parcel Service since high school, and is now planning to soon retire (we are going forward through life faster than I ever expected). Over the decades, Kris worked as a loader, driver, facilities manager, route planner, and about anything else that had to do with getting packages and people from one place to another. He is also a hiker and knows how to plan and chart a trail through the Grand Canyon or along the Appalachian Trail. Which is relevant in this way - he was driving when we got stuck in “fair traffic” (or was that just a train up there?), and we began wondering about trying the side roads for a different entrance to the fairgrounds. I asked what he thought from his years of experience as a route planner, driver, and hiker.

He had made this calculation before. It went like this:

1. The main road or trail is usually the best way to get there. That's why it's the main route. Most people do best using it.
2. If you take a detour off the main route, don't go far; that's how most people get lost. Stay on or close to the main road or trail if possible. (If the bridge is out it is better to take a detour rather than try to get your car or truck to swim across the river.)

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3. If you must take a detour, do it, but keep it short and get back on the main route as soon as reasonably possible.

With all this in mind, we took a detour and got to the fair by a longer but quicker route, without stop-and-go traffic.

This whole experience got me thinking about our church. We have been on a transitional road for over three years now, and are beginning maneuvers to get back on the main route with a part-time called Minister of Word and Sacrament or Commissioned Pastor(s) leading our congregation. While we don't know the timeline, the prospect of change is coming surprisingly quickly as my "transitional route" is coming to a close. This brings some questions, concerns, and sadness (sadness at least for me and some others!?).

We all need to remember . . . this is another change of seasons. Seasons have changed often in the last 175 years. We have a Presbyterian Polity roadmap for transitions. If we stick to it we won't get lost. Let's continue our prayers for our Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) and for our next pastor(s) who God is already preparing. Let's look forward with excitement and anticipation, and not fear. When the Hebrew people were afraid, God's Word came through Prophet Isaiah (51:13a), "You have forgotten the Lord, your Maker, who stretched out the heavens and laid the foundation of the earth."

Our transitional change brings some sadness and uncertainty, but let's stick close to the time-tested way forward and remember the Lord, our Maker. This is a relatively small thing for the Almighty to get us through. The change of seasons has happened many times already, and has brought us three joyful years together.

Love you all!

Pastor Ken



FPC GOSHEN has partnered with **FPC Mishawaka**, **FPC Elkhart**, and **Sunnyside in South Bend** to create the **Smock Senior Ministries Program** with the purpose of growing in relationship with neighboring Presbyterian churches. Our goals are to provide a diversity of activities that include educational programs, entertaining events, spiritual growth, and contemplative leisure. We have received funds to host these events.

*On Monday, June 3rd, an informational meeting was held in Westminster. **Mark your calendar for the first activity date: Tuesday, August 13, at Wellfield Botanical Garden in Elkhart.** We will meet at the front entrance at 11:45 am, enjoy lunch, then walk the Gardens.*

If you are interested in going, please contact Karen Wellington, or the church office (574/533-7845; fpcgoshen46528@gmail.com) for a sign-up form and (green) box lunch order form from Martin's Supermarket. Lunches will be brought to the Garden and we will eat together. Cost is \$5 per person – includes admission to Wellfield. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, August 4.

Thursday, October 31 – The Barns at Nappanee. Lunch (12:00 noon) and then the show – "Clue" – at 2:00-4:30 pm. Wednesday, December 4 – Pigeon & Hen Pottery (South Bend). Each person will be able to paint a piece of pottery valued at \$30. Once the pieces are fired, Karen Wellington will pick up the pieces and deliver them to FPC. No cost.

March 2025 – Menno Hof and lunch in Shipshewana; May 2025 – Tulip Festival in Holland, MI; July 2025 – South Bend Cubs Baseball Game.

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY – The current study on the New Testament "Matthew" began Monday, June 10. The group meets every other week, or on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 4:30 pm (**August 12, August 26**).

**** SESSION NOTES ****

Your Session met in person for a called Session meeting on Tuesday evening, July 9, 2024 and during the meeting:

Prayers from our Moderator Rev. Ken Weaver began our meeting.

The Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) reviewed the MDP (Ministry Discernment Profile). Recommendations were made by Session. With the updates made, Session approved the MDP. The completed MDP will be forwarded to Presbytery's Committee on Ministry (COM).

Reviewed the updated By-Laws – typos, spelling, etc., corrections will be completed next week. The completed By-Laws will be ready for the next Session meeting on July 16.

Reviewed the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation – discuss at next Session meeting on July 16.

Pastor Ken closed our meeting in prayer.

Next Session meeting will be on Tuesday, July 16, 2024.

Marie Palacios, Clerk of Session

**** SESSION NOTES ****

Your Session met in person for a called meeting on Tuesday morning, July 16, 2024 the regular monthly meeting, and during the meeting the Elders:

Received an inspiration from our Moderator Rev. Ken Weaver from Ezekiel 43:12-12 – a new presence of God among the people.

Educational point – Book of Order pg. 6 – “In Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all creation, the Church seeks a new openness to God’s mission in the world.”

Prayers for our Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC). New reference for the MDP was needed, several recommendations were given.

The Deacons continue to contact their church groups monthly.

The revised By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation were approved by Session.

Treasurer Wayne Kramer has retired July 8, 2024. Session thanked Wayne for his 20 years of service. Session honored Wayne with the title Treasurer Emeritus.

Assistant Treasurer Karen Wellington was elected Treasurer for the rest of the year.

Accepted the June month end Financial Report from Treasurer Karen Wellington.

Transitional update: Next Steps – Pastor Ken completed his third-year report.

Received reports from all committees.

- Buildings and Grounds – Chairs for Westminster dining room have been refinished – thank you to all who helped.

- Christian Education – Plans are being made for the Fall Sunday School.

- Congregational Life and Ministry – The Hospitality Table is available on Sundays. The first Smock Cluster Fund activity is planned for August 13 at Wellfield Botanic Gardens in Elkhart. Plans for the picnic on August 25.

- Finance – continues to meet monthly with our Treasurer.

- Mission Committee – Samaritan purse (Christmas boxes) will be the Fall mission.

- Outreach – update in the sound booth is continuing, print media reviewed, and updating the website.

- Personnel Committee – retirement of Treasurer Wayne Kramer, begin advertising for Administrative Assistant.

- Worship – Plans have been made for the rest of July and the committee is working on plans for August. Plans for the worship service at the picnic on August 25.

- A reminder the Covid pandemic is over, Covid is not. Please be careful of all the viruses around.

Pastor Ken closed our meeting in prayer.

Next Session meeting will be on Tuesday, August 20, 2024.

Marie Palacios, Clerk of Session

UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP: The spring series ended Tuesday, April 9. The next 10-week series will begin on **Tuesday, September 10, and continue (on Tuesdays) through November 12, 7:00-8:30 pm; 111 West Washington Street, Goshen.** The leadership Team is Jenny Holbrook, Susan Hepler Long, and Pastor Ken Weaver. No registration is necessary.

WOMEN OF WORSHIP: *From Daughters to Disciples.* The next gathering is on **Wednesday, August 14, 9:30 am** in the Kitchen Conference Room, where we'll finish the last lesson in the book. Anyone is welcome to join at any time.

FELLOWSHIP TABLE on SUNDAYS – There is a sign-up sheet to schedule volunteers for the months of August and September. If you are interested, please sign up, or if questions, please see Karen Wellington.

PRESENT and PAST live streams from Sunday mornings:
<https://www.youtube.com/@firstpresbyterianchurch-go8630/streams> (“live” button)



SUNDAY, August 11 - FOOD PANTRY DAY: Plan to bring your packaged goods or make a financial contribution to the Food Pantry. Suggestions for the Pantry: canned soup, canned vegetables, canned meat (beef, tuna, or chicken). You can use the red wagon in Hardie Hall to drop off your packaged goods.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH GOSHEN is looking for an administrative assistant who manages the church office with administrative responsibilities, and some advanced level of secretarial work. Part-time position. Please send your resume/letter of interest to Ken Weaver at First Presbyterian Church Goshen, or at weaverk2434@gmail.com.

Our Mission is . . .

ABUNDANT LIFE IN JESUS CHRIST FOR EVERYONE.

We commit to God and one another by

- Reaching UP - to worship God
- Reaching IN - to seek fulfillment and sharing in Jesus Christ
- Reaching OUT - to share God's love with all people

Our Guiding Values

Inclusive Community. Evolving Faith. Engaged. Sustainable.

1. **Inclusive community** (bound together by Jesus Christ)
2. Growing and **evolving faith** in Jesus Christ
3. **Engaged** with the greater community
4. Future oriented, **sustainable** focus

Bible Trivia for Children of all ages (including adults)!!

(Answers appear elsewhere in the newsletter.)

Bible Trivia

1. True or False: the Bible was first written in the English language.
2. How many books are in the Bible?
3. What are the 4 books that tell about Jesus' life on earth?
4. What day did God create man?
5. How many brothers did Jacob have?
6. How did Moses' mother save him from the Egyptian soldiers?
7. What city did God make the walls fall so Joshua and the Israelites could conquer it?
8. Did all of Israel immediately consider David as their King?
9. What golden image did the Israelites make at Mt. Sinai?
10. Which book did David write the most of?

NEW BABY: Kennedy Jayla Snyder, born to **John and Kayla Snyder**, on Sunday, May 26. Grand-mother is Shirley Snyder. (John and Kayla – 58377 Homer Avenue, Elkhart 46517)
(Shirley – 1415-4 Pembroke Circle, Goshen 46526)

THANK YOU: *Dear Friends – Thank you for the flowers, the calls, the cards, your love & support. Dennis and I love you all very much. Brenda*

MANY, MANY THANKS!! Larry and Carol Beachy, Ken and Karen Mirer, Jeanne Potter, and Bob Hoke have replaced seat cushions on over 55 plus chairs and multiple back cushions, making **all** chairs usable in Westminster. Many hours were spent in drawing the pattern, cutting, stretching, and stapling. Over 5000 staples were used. (You'll know the difference when you sit on one of the newly upholstered chairs.)

The purchase of the vinyl was given to the church as a donation. (THANK YOU!!)

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Lelia Jones
913-1/2 South Main Street
Goshen 46526

Gordon and Laurie Lord
700 North Lake Street
Syracuse, IN 46567
574/536-2983 Gordon
574/536-6470 Laurie



PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Our Armed Forces and their Families; Israel and Palestine; the people of Ukraine; Susan Hepler Long; Marilyn Hay; Parents and nephew of Kirby Eysol; Kirby's sister, Jackie; Ernie Jenkins and son Grant (Jenny Jenkins' son and grandson in OH); Wayne Kramer; Jim Wray; Edward Lee Rodriguez (Bruni Claudio's grandson— needs kidney and pancreas transplants); Marilyn Sweany (Linda Sorg's sister); Dave Webster in Atlanta (Georgia Webster's son); Jeff Mirer (Ken and Karen's son); Barbara and David Jester; Jasmyne Hunley and son Vincent; Tom Drummond; Dick Craig; Doris Shank; Brad Gilmore (Jenny Albert's brother)

The families of the victims and those injured in the recent shootings

The families of those affected by recent flooding and earthquakes

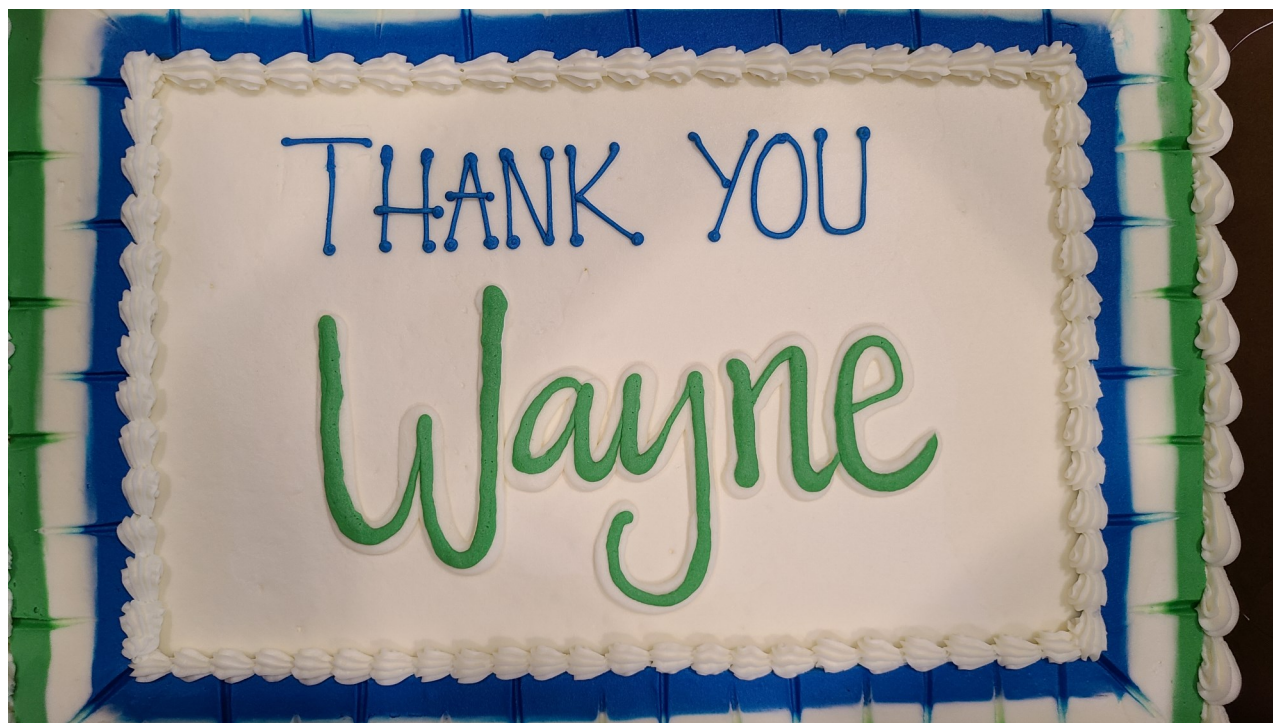
Response Teams and those affected by hurricanes

OUR PRAYERS OF SYMPATHY are with

- **Brenda Huff and family**, on the loss of her husband, Dennis Huff, on Sunday, June 9. (20058 Opal Court, Goshen 46528)

On Sunday, July 14, **FPC recognized the retirement of Wayne Kramer** during worship, with a card shower and reception after. Wayne has served as Treasurer for over 24 years.

The Session designated him "Treasurer Emeritus" at their July 16 meeting.

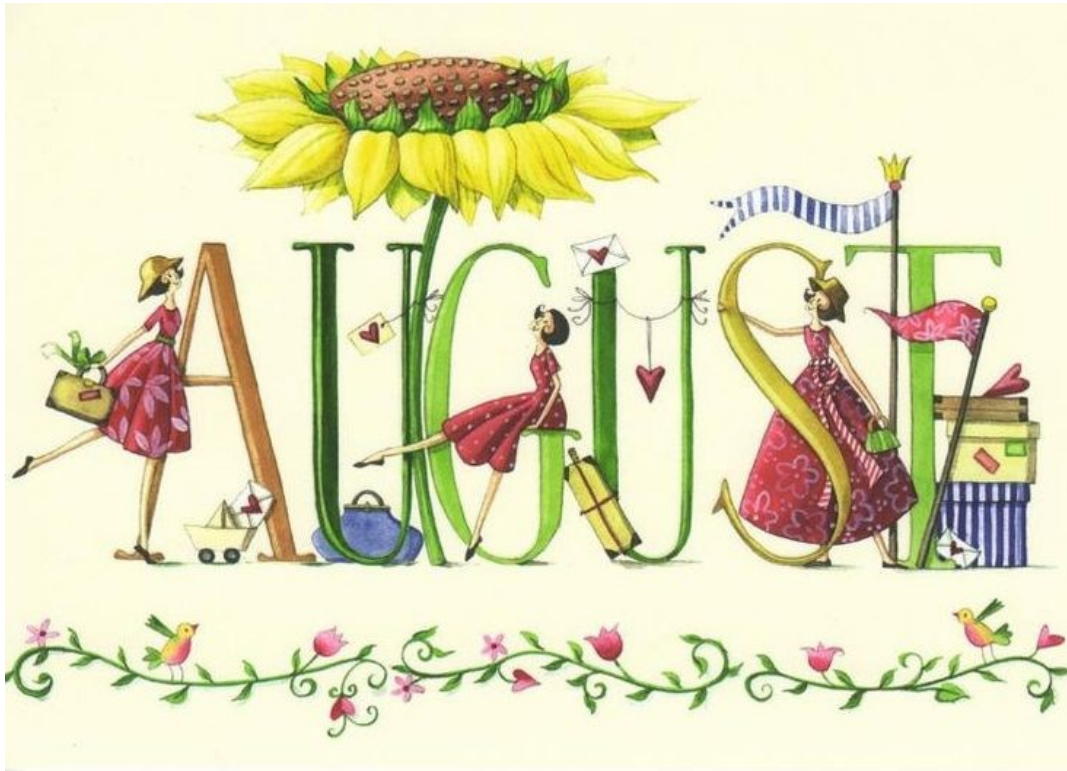


HERE TODAY - GONE TOMORROW . . . *It doesn't seem like 24+ years, but the calendar on the wall is never wrong. We were transitioning from John Fehring's manual ledger system to QuickBooks accounting that was followed by Judy Schlobohm and then me. And now the Treasurer's duties are to be in the capable hands of Karen Wellington. It is time for me to find which pasture I want to graze in. I want to thank all the people who directly and indirectly made my retirement party possible. The cake was delicious. Thanks everyone. Wayne*



Jay and Marilyn Morris' 70th wedding anniversary (June 20) celebrated after Worship on Sunday, June 23.





PER CAPITA is an annual per member fee a congregation pays to their area Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly to support our denomination's work in mission, evangelism, education and administration. Through your per capital giving, which is over and above your yearly pledge, the Presbytery of Wabash Valley helps congregations with transitions and resources for programming and planning, cares for pastoral leaders and their families, helps prepare people for service as pastoral leaders, and provides funds for special projects or needs of our congregations. There is a designated amount per member. **In 2023 the amount per member is \$42.90. In 2024, the amount per member will be \$43.62.** There is a line item for Per Capita on the church's offering envelope. **Per capita brochures, which explain where your dollars go, are on the table outside of the office.**

It would be of immense help to this congregation and our operations budget to please pay your annual membership fee as soon as possible. There are some in our congregation for whom paying per capita is difficult. If you are able to contribute per capita for those who might not be able to pay, your generosity would be greatly appreciated. Thank you to those who have already paid their per capita, and those who have also given an extra portion. The total amount due is paid whether or not each member contributes their individual amount. If you would like offering envelopes for 2024, please contact the church office (574/533-7845).

GIVING TO THE CHURCH

In these difficult times we ask you to continue giving to the church if at all possible. We recognize some families might not be able to do so. We understand! If you are able to give, there are three ways to do so:

- 1) Use the offering plate on Sunday for your gift/giving envelope.
- 2) Mail a check to the church at 215 E. Lincoln, Goshen IN 46528.
3. Give online through our website at [https://](https://www.discoverfirstchurch.org/donate)

www.discoverfirstchurch.org/donate. You can share a one time gift or set up a recurring gift.



Dear Church Family, we had a great evening celebrating the graduates up in Westminster. Thank you for all the love and support for our kids over the years. We love our church family.
Blessings, the Wellington family



Answers to Bible Trivia: 1-False; 2-66; 3-Matthew, Mark, Luke, John (also known as the 4 Gospels); 4-the 6th day; 5-12; 6-put him in a basket in the river; 7-Jericho; 8-No; 9-a golden calf; 10-Psalms (this is also the longest book of the Bible)

goodbye, august
hello, september

The Yacks family spent most of their summer and fair week caring for their animals to be prepared for their week at the Elkhart County 4-H Fair. Eloise (poultry) placed 4th in showmanship . Adelaide's rabbit won second for his breed in Sr. Buck. Walter had fun enjoying the fair especially the food and surely some rides.



August Birthdays

8/ 1 Marilyn Morris
8/ 1 Larry Stump
8/ 2 Susie Hooley
8/ 3 Vanessa Albert
8/ 4 Marcia Yost
8/ 5 Richard Gentry
8/ 6 Susan Hepler Long
8/ 9 Wayne Kramer
8/13 Anabelle Hooley
8/19 Orlando (Young) Tirado
8/26 Dr. Henry A. Blunk
8/28 Spencer Hans Estrup
8/28 Ken Mirer

August Anniversaries

| | | |
|------|------------------------------------|----------|
| 8/ 1 | Steve and Susie Hooley | 43 years |
| 8/12 | Theresa (Phiri) and Anthony Vanest | 1 year |
| 8/26 | Gordon and Laurie Lord | 46 years |
| 8/27 | John and Linda Sorg | 58 years |

September Birthdays

9/ 1 Brenda Huff
9/ 6 Crystal (Young) Tirado
9/ 9 Kara Minter
9/10 Janice Caton
9/11 Cathy Wray
9/12 Gordon Lord
9/13 Lelia G. Jones
9/13 Jay Morris
9/14 Jennifer Albert
9/18 Pat Plank
9/19 Donna Schrock
9/20 Merry Dee Snyder
9/21 Nora Neff
9/24 Marilyn Hay
9/26 Scott Cole
9/30 Jennifer Jenkins
9/30 Barbara King

September Anniversaries


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| 9/2 | James and Jane Stewart | 24 years |
| 9/3 | Joshua and Ashley Ganger | 19 years |
| 9/5 | Richard and Cindy Gentry | 60 years |

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| Office Hours Monday & Thursday 9:00 am-4:00 pm Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00 am-12:00 noon Closed Friday | | | | 1 Pastor Ken 9:00 am-noon Andrew from Oaklawn in Westminster DR 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Bible study) | 2 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship) | 3 10:00 am-1:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer time and Bible study) |
| 4 10:15 am Family Worship* 1:00 pm Ministerios Ebenezer Goshen (MEG) in lower level (Worship) | 5 Pastor Ken 9:00 am Personnel 4:15 pm Staff Meeting 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship rehearsal) | 6 | 7 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer service) | 8 9:00 am-noon Andrew from Oaklawn in Westminster DR 10:00 am Board of Deacons 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Bible study) | 9 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship) | 10 10:00 am-1:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer time and Bible study) |
| 11 Pastor Ken Weaver; Communion by Intinction 10:15 am Family Worship* 1:00 pm Ministerios Ebenezer Goshen (MEG) in lower level (Worship) | 12 Pastor Ken 10:00 am Finance 4:30 pm Pastor's Bible Study 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship rehearsal) | 13 | 14 9:30 am WOW in Kitchen Conference Rm. (last lesson in book) 5:00-6:15 pm Christian Ed 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer service) 6:30 pm Worship Cmte. | 15 9:00 am-noon Andrew from Oaklawn in Westminster DR 4:00 pm Congregational Life 5:15 pm B&G The Post Meal 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Bible study) | 16 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship) | 17 10:00 am-1:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer time and Bible study) |
| 18 10:15 am Family Worship*, Junior Church follows in the lower level Sunday School Area 1:00 pm Ministerios Ebenezer Goshen (MEG) in lower level (Worship) | 19 Pastor Ken Missions Committee 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship rehearsal) | 20 10:00 am Session | 21 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer service) | 22 9:00 am-noon Andrew from Oaklawn in Westminster DR 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Bible study) | 23 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship) | 24 10:00 am-1:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer time and Bible study) |
| 25 Pastor Ken 10:15 am Family Worship and Church Picnic with LaGrange Presbyterian at Fidler Park (no service at FPC) 1:00 pm Ministerios Ebenezer Goshen (MEG) in lower level (Worship) | 26 Pastor Ken 4:30 pm Pastor's Bible Study 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship rehearsal) | 27 6:00 pm Outreach rehearsal | 28 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer service) 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal | 29 9:00 am-noon Andrew from Oakland in Westminster DR 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Bible study) | 30 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship) | 31 10:00 am-1:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer time and Bible study) |

SEPTEMBER 2024 (draft)

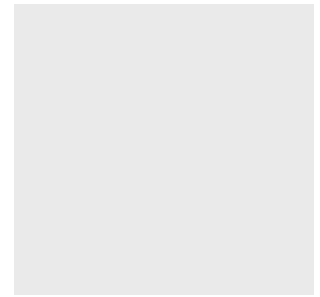
* Online worship service will be posted on YouTube

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| 1 10:15 am Family Worship* 1:00 pm Ministerios Ebenezer Goshen (MEG) in lower level (Worship) | 2 Labor Day Office Closed | 3 Office Open | 4 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer svc.) 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm Worship Cmte. | 5 9:00 am-noon Andrew from Oaklawn in Westminster Dining Room 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Bible study) | 6 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship) | 7 10:00 am-1:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer time & Bible Study) |
| 8 Pastor Ken Weaver; Communion; Promotion Sunday 10:15 am Family Worship* with Lessons for Littles 1:00 pm Ministerios Ebenezer Goshen (MEG) in lower level (Worship) | 9 Pastor Ken 9:00 am Personnel Finance 4:15 pm Staff Meeting 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship rehearsal) | 10 | 11  9:30 am WOW in Kitchen Conference Rpp. 5:00-6:15 pm CE 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer svc.) 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal | 12 9:00 am-noon Andrew from Oaklawn in Westminster Dining Room 10:00 am Board of Deacons 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Bible study) | 13 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship) | 14 10:00 am-1:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer time & Bible Study) |
| 15 10:15 am Family Worship*; Children stay through Choir, then to Junior Church in the lower level Sunday School area 1:00 pm Ministerios Ebenezer Goshen (MEG) in lower level (Worship) 5:00-9:00 pm The Post Annual Fundraising Picnic on the church's side lawn | 16 Pastor Ken 4:00-5:30 pm CE – Child Policy Annual Review 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship Rehearsal) | 17 10:00 am Session | 18 ? ? ? 9/18 Dinner and a Movie 5:00-6:30 pm "Vital Passage" – documentary about The Plaut Family sponsored by Congregational Life 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer svc.) 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal | 19 Newsletter Deadline 9:00 am-noon Andrew from Oaklawn in Westminster Dining Room 4:00 pm Congregational Life 5:15 pm B&G The Post Meal 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Bible study) | 20 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship) | 21 10:00 am-1:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer time & Bible Study) |
| 22 10:00 am FPC at LaGrange Presbyterian Church for Worship (no Worship service at 215 E. Lincoln) 1:00 pm Ministerios Ebenezer Goshen (MEG) in lower level (Worship) | 23 Pastor Ken 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship rehearsal) | 24 6:00 pm Outreach 7:00-8:30 pm Understanding Your Grief 111 W. Washington Tuesdays, September 10 to November 12 | 25 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer svc.) 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal | 26 9:00 am-noon Andrew from Oaklawn in Westminster Dining Room 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Bible study) | 27 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship) | 28 10:00 am-1:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer time & Bible Study) Office Hours: Monday and Thursday; 9:00 am-4:00 pm Tuesday and Wednesday 9:00 am - noon Closed Friday |
| 29 Pastor Ken's last Sunday 10:15 pm Family Worship*; Children stay through Choir, then to Junior Church in the lower level Sunday School area 1:00 pm Ministerios Ebenezer Goshen (MEG) in lower level (Worship) | 30 Pastor Ken's last day 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (Worship rehearsal) | | 6:00-8:00 pm MEG in lower level (prayer svc.) 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal | | | |

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Office Hours:

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| Monday and Thursday | 9:00 am-4:00 pm |
| Tuesday and Wednesday | 9:00 am-12:00 noon |
| Closed Friday | |

Church Staff:

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|---|-------------------|
| Transitional Pastor: | Rev. Ken Weaver |
| Volunteer Treasurer: | Karen Wellington |
| Administrative Assistant: | Jeannie Hickman |
| Director of Music: | Marcia Yost |
| Organist: | Marilyn Mason |
| Volunteer Christian Education Director: | Susan Hepler Long |
| Custodian: | Betty Barber |
| Nursery Attendant: | Kiersten Friesner |
| Treasurer Emeritus: | Wayne Kramer |