

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Upcoming Events

Date	Time	Activity
August 5th	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service Communion
August 6th	6:30 p.m.	Finance Committee
August 7th	7:00 p.m.	Session
August 12th	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service
August 15th	6:30 p.m.	NO Christian Ed/Youth Ministry
August 19th	9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Worship Service Fellowship Dinner Following Worship Service
August 26th	9:30 a.m.	Worship Service
August 28th	5:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting
August 29th	6:30 p.m.	Women's Group

Secretary Snippets

Please have your **September 2018** newsletter information turned in information in by **August 27, 2018.**

Blessings,

Linda Prothe, Administrative Assistant





Greetings Sister and Brothers in Christ,

As the boxes slowly get unpacked from my family's recent move here to Kansas, and as another page gets turned on the calendar, I am reminded of how change is one of life's constants as are the endless Gifts of God. As I've shared before, one of my pastors from my past used to say, "Change isn't so bad, it's the transition that will test you." And yes, even though scripture and our still speaking God tells us not to fear, it is often difficult to let go of our worldly anxieties. That's why it is so important to keep up a spiritual discipline like reading a daily devotional, journaling, scheduling time throughout the day to sit down and listen for God's still speaking voice. As we read in Philippians 4:6-9 "Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life. Summing it all up, friends, I'd say you'll do best by filling your minds and meditating on things true, noble, reputable, authentic, compelling, gracious—the best, not the worst; the beautiful, not the ugly; things to praise, not things to curse. Put into practice what you learned from me, what you heard and saw and realized. Do that, and God, who makes everything work together, will work you into his most excellent harmonies." (The Message)

As for me and my family, yes we were nervous about the move or transition, but, thanks be to our awesome God, we continue to witness God's presence in the church family of New Hope Parish and the wonderful communities of Miami County. As you are truly blessed to have such a wonderful church family, so is family also to be called to be a part of this wonderful family.

As I've shared with some already, God has his hand on the tiller of the boat of our lives, but that tiller is useless unless the boat is moving forward. With God's hand on the tiller of our lives, we must, with the help of the Holy Trinity, keep that boat moving forward, while remembering the great moments of our past we need to also be looking forward to the great moments yet to come. Remember, "These are the good old days!" Continue to move forward with excitement for where God is taking us, allowing God to steer. I look forward, with great excitement to the journey ahead and to sharing this journey with each of you. I also look forward to getting to know each of you better and to exploring this beautiful part of God's creation.

Blessings and peace,
Pastor Paul





PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS
SPECIAL OFFERINGS



Special Offering
Peace and Global Witness
Peacemaking and Reconciliation
Promoted during a Season of Peace beginning
September 2, 2018 and received on World Communion
Sunday, the first Sunday of October.
25%: Congregational Peace Initiatives
Retained by Congregations to invest in local responses to
injustice and violence, and connect with the global witness to
Christ's peace.
25% :Mid Council Peace Initiatives
Linking congregations in ministries of peace and reconciliation
throughout presbyteries and synods.
50%: Advocating Peace and Advancing Justice
Advocating for peacemaking and justice through collaborative
projects of education and Christian witness.



Aug	5	Ordinary Time	Paul Davidson
	12	Ordinary Time	Paul Davidson
	19	Ordinary Time	Paul Davidson
	26	Ordinary Time	Paul Davidson
Sept	2	Ordinary Time	Paul Davidson
	9	Ordinary Time	Paul Davidson
	16	Ordinary Time	Paul Davidson
	23	Ordinary Time	Paul Davidson
	30	Ordinary Time	Paul Davidson



The LORD is My Shepherd;

I shall not want.
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
 he leadeth me beside the still waters.
 He restoreth my soul:
 he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his
 name's sake.
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
 I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;
 thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.
 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine
 enemies:
 thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of
 my life:
 and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Psalm 23

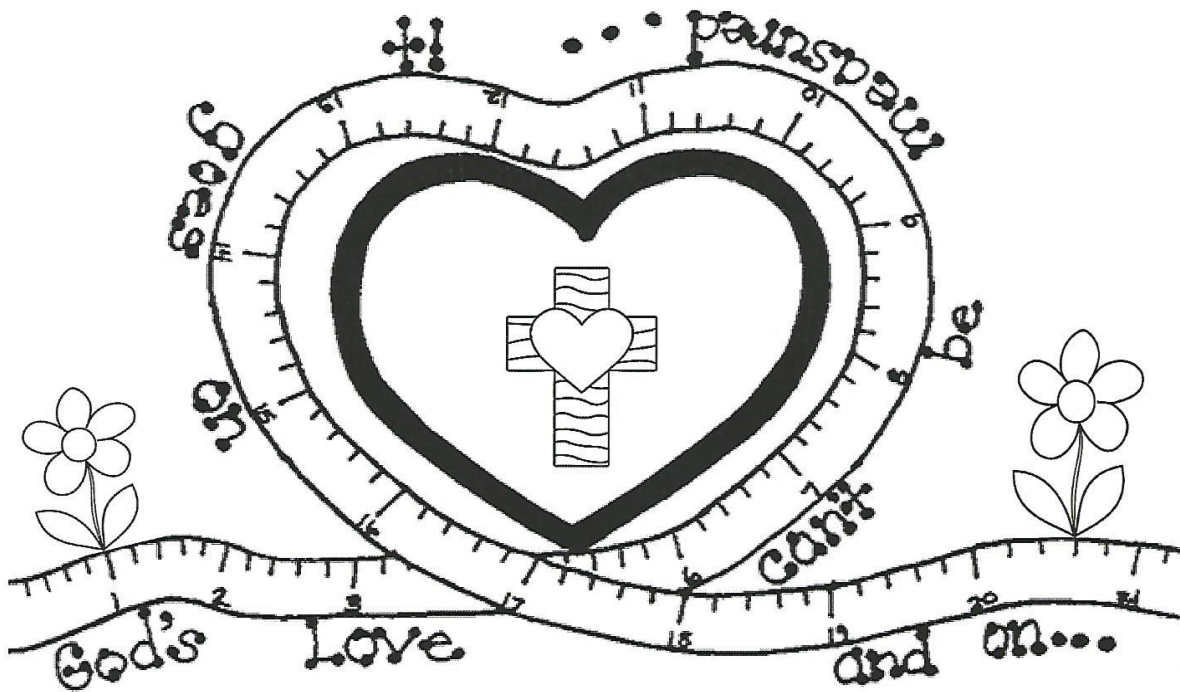


Did you know?

We are adopted? At the end of the service on July 15 Rev. Paul said “We are children adopted by God.” The reading was from Ephesians 1:5, “He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will” (NRSV). Other verses in the Bible that use the word adoption are Romans 8:15 and Galatians 4:5.

Adoption, in Christian theology, is the admission of a believer into the family of God. When we put our faith in Jesus Christ, we become God's children by the grace of spiritual adoption and heirs to God's riches on earth and in heaven John 1:12-13 says, "But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God (NLT).

God Loves You How Much?



And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is.

May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully.

Ephesians 3:18-19

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	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5 Dianna Cox 9:30 a.m. Worship Service/ Communion	6 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee	7 Fern Whitney	8 7:00 p.m. Session	9 9	10 10	11 Susan Hendrickson	4 Clint & Shannon Wilcox Faye Wilson
12 9:30 a.m. Worship Service	13	14 Paige Riley	15 Evelyn Gabbert	16 16	17 17	18 18	
19 9:30 a.m. Worship Service Fellowship Dinner following Worship Service	20 Diana Clearwater	21 Galen Crichfield	22 22 NO Christian Ed / Youth Ministry	23 Ashley Taylor Jason Young	24 Trisha Stevenson Logan Taylor	25 Kim Matney	
26 9:30 a.m. Worship Service	27 Cole Wallace	28 Madison Maccom 5:00 p.m. Staff Meeting	29 6:30 p.m. Women's Group	30 30	31 31		