

JULY 2025 INCOME/EXPENSE REPORT			
	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2024 Actual
Income:	\$187,880	\$196,149.90	\$174,863.06
Expenses:	\$187,880	\$186,682.40	\$202,671.08
(Deficit)/Surplus:		\$ 9,467.50	\$ (27,808.02)

FPC NEW MISSION PARTNER

The FPC Mission Team is thrilled to announce a new mission partner, **Prevail, Inc.**, a Noblesville-based nonprofit dedicated to supporting adults, teens, and children who have experienced trauma from violent acts. Team members visited Prevail and were deeply moved by the powerful ways they empower and serve survivors of all ages. When we asked, “How can FPC help?”, the answer was simple: **Bottled water**. We made our first donation last spring and it’s time for another opportunity. We’re looking for **2–3 volunteers** to help transport **6–8 cases of bottled water** from Costco to Prevail a few times a year (typically on weekdays). Contact **Rita Popp** at **(317) 408-0554** to express interest. *Read more in this week’s News & Notes email and on the FPC website.*

CHURCH DIRECTORIES...

It is time to update the FPC church directory. If you are a member or a regular attendee, please stop by the Welcome Center before or after church to make any corrections or additions to the directory. If you do not have a picture in the current directory you can email a picture to bsrunyon@yahoo.com and I will make sure your picture is added.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Thank you to everyone who made our Christmas in July shoebox ministry a BIG success! Everything will be brought out in November for packing! We will still collect “weekly” as you find great sale items for the Samaritan’s Purse !

SAMARITAN’S PURSE SHOEBOX MINISTRY 2025...
Look for August school items On sale!

4x6”note books, Pens, Markers, Paper, Coloring books, Rubber bands, Big soft toy (fit in box) they call WOW items for the kids Puzzles Jump rope Girls jewelry rings Girls hair clips. Please keep God’s children in your hearts and prayers.

FELLOWSHIP HALL FLOORING...

Time is running out on our November 1st deadline to raise funds for our fellowship hall flooring. If you haven’t made a donation please prayerfully consider it, if you have thank you very much.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL...

Our class will start a new series this coming week titled:

HEAVEN : WHO GOES THERE? WHO MAKES THE CUT?
DO YOU WANT TO GO?

This will be a most interesting discussion with support from ANDY STANLEY videos. So feel free to join us on this fantastic spiritual journey.

AUGUST 31 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 7, 2025		
Today	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour
Monday	Labor Day—Office Closed!	
Tuesday		
Wednesday	8:30 am	Men’s Great Banquet Reunion Group
	8:30 am	Women’s Great Banquet Reunion Group
Thursday	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Friday	9:00 am	Shepherd’s Center
Saturday	8:30 am	Aerobics
Sunday	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR NURSERY CARE TODAY...

There will not be Sunday School for Rainbows and Shooting Stars TODAY. Nursery care is not available. We look forward to seeing you back on September 7th!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

♥ Tanner Stein, recuperating following a work-related accident.

♥ Brandon Gore, having neck surgery on 9/8/25.

♥ Ed Andrews, son of Fran Andrews, having kidney surgery to remove tumors on his left kidney.

♥ Candi Wood, Marty Wood & family, upon the passing of Paul Wood.

♥ Bill Linville, begins a new round of cancer treatments August 29.

♥ Nancy Jones, mother of Barb Levy, speedy recovery from a hematoma following a fall.

♥ Jennifer Linville, at Harbor Manor

Continue to remember those who are at home or in health care facilities:

Wendy Bittle

Ray & Sherry Faust

Carolyn & Joe McGinley—Hamilton Trace

Verna Merrell


Carol Stough—Five Star Residences of Noblesville

John Thomas—The Barrington of Carmel

Dorothy Etchison—The Lodge

Barbara Landes

Rachel Morgan



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Eric R. Gale, Pastor

AUGUST 31, 2025
LABOR DAY

SESSION		DEACONS
Mark Wisely	Finance	Susan Clark, Co-Moderator
Barb Runyon	Evangelism	Andrea Joines, Co-Moderator
Jennie Auble	Mission	Johnathan Baker
Bob Moore	Planning	Anne Burress
Peggy Deakyne	Personnel /Nom.	Brenda Christian
Sue Jourdan	Properties	Clint Gingerich
Laurie Szabo	At Large	Gail Ratliff
Karen McCord	Clerk	Robin Rufatto
Eric R. Gale	Moderator	Joe Sullivan
		Quinn Teague
		Debbie Wilson

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH		
AUGUST 31, 2025		
LABOR DAY		
As you arrive for worship, greet each other with a smile and soft words, but please remember there are those who cherish a time of quiet before worship.		
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
RINGING OF THE BELL		
PRELUDE	Clarice Stegall, organist	
† CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)	Lay Leader: Sue Jourdan	
L: God said, “Six days you shall labor and do all your work,		
P: But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord.”		
L: Jesus said, “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,		
P: And I will give you rest.”		
L: We come in the name of the Spirit, resting from our labors,		
All: Let us worship God this day.		
† OPENING HYMN	“Come, Thou Almighty King”	#8
† PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)		
Dear God, we ask your blessing on all those who labor, who work to provide for themselves and their families, and bring us the comforts we have come to expect. Bring humility to us when we build towers that touch the sky, and are impressed by our own feats. Bring compassion to us when we forget those who work under unjust conditions. Bring grace to us when we are most in need of your healing touch. Amen.		
† ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)		
L: God watches over the weary, and grants grace to all. Hear the good news: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.		
P: Thanks be to God! Amen.		Source: Presbytery of the Cascades
† GLORIA PATRI	words on screen	
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.		
SPECIAL MUSIC	“Morning Has Broken” (Traditional Gaelic hymn)	Julia Keller-Welter, viola
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE (Children are dismissed to Sunday School)	“Rahab and the Spies”	Saddleback Kids
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD’S PRAYER		
		words on screen
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.		
(Please keep joys and concerns brief. This is time for prayer)		

OFFERING		
Offertory		
† Doxology		words on screen
<i>Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.</i>		
† Prayer of Dedication		
HYMN OF PREPARATION	<i>“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”</i>	#391
MESSAGE	IT WAS BY FAITH... <i>“The Faith of Rahab”</i> Hebrews 11:31; Joshua 2:8-11	Pastor Eric Gale
† CLOSING HYMN	<i>“Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”</i>	#237
† BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE		
†Please stand if you are able.		
<hr/> <i>Join us in Fellowship Hall following the service for coffee and refreshments.</i>		

- * Please sign and date the attendance pad.
- * Be sure to silence your cell phones.

We welcome **Clarice Stegall** as our organist today, while Cheryl is on vacation!

SCRIPTURE
Hebrews 11:31 By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.
Joshua 2:8-11 (NIV) Before the spies lay down for the night, she went up on the roof ⁹ and said to them, "I know that the LORD has given this land to you and that a great fear of you has fallen on us, so that all who live in this country are melting in fear because of you. ¹⁰ We have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red Sea for you when you came out of Egypt, and what you did to Sihon and Og, the two kings of the Amorites east of the Jordan, whom you completely destroyed. ¹¹ When we heard of it, our hearts melted and everyone's courage failed because of you, for the LORD your God is God in heaven above and on the earth below.

MESSAGE NOTES
After she came to faith in the God of the Israelites, the Lord gave Rahab three gifts that would make her a key player in possessing the Promised Land and the survival of the nation Israel:
I. The gift of _____! (v.2) Then Joshua son of Nun secretly sent two spies from Shittim. "Go, look over the land," he said, "especially Jericho." So they went and entered the house of a prostitute named Rahab and stayed there.
II. The gift of _____! (v.9) "I know that the LORD has given this land to you and that a great fear of you has fallen on us, so that all who live in this country are melting in fear because of you.
III. The gift of _____! (v.12) “Now then, please swear to me by the LORD that you will show kindness to my family, because I have shown kindness to you. Give me a sure sign...”