

March 2024 INCOME/EXPENSE REPORT

Operating Income: \$ 83,399.12

Net Expenses: \$ 94,236.54

Net: \$ (10,837.42)

2024 HENDERSON SETTLEMENT REGISTRATION

We have 14 people signed up to attend the FPC work camp trip to Henderson Settlement July 23-27. **Anyone still interested in joining us can sign up on the clipboard at the welcome center or contact Jennie Auble at 317-696-3843. Remember, all ages and abilities are welcome!!**

FPC PERFORMING ARTS CAMP 2024 SCHOLARSHIPS

Presbyterian Women is offering scholarship money for FPC Member's children who are regular FPC church attenders. If you would like to apply for a scholarship to go towards paying for your child's fee to attend The Performing Arts Camp 2024, please submit a request in writing to tmcdemand@comcast.net. All requests **need to be submitted by 5-1-24.** Please contact Trisha McDermant 317-514-8623 if you have any questions regarding scholarships for FPC's Summer Camp.

CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS CAMP AT FPC—"LET'S ROCK"

June 3-7 10:00 - 4:00 (lunch provided). \$50 for first child, \$40 for each additional child. Children must be between **kindergarten through 8th grade.** Create, sing, and play your way to a fantastic summer experience! Art projects will be taken home at the end of camp! **Registration begins March 3. Registration is limited to 50 campers** and the spots are filling up quickly. Register soon so you don't miss out on all the fun! We can't wait to see you on June 3rd! Learn more and register at www.fpc-noblesville.com

THE CHOSEN-SEASON 2 BIBLE STUDY

We will be hosting a Bible study based on "The Chosen" Season 2, **April 9-May 28**. Each week we will watch an episode followed by discussion. We will meet **Tuesdays at 7pm** at:

17709 Arryne Drive West, Noblesville, 46062.

Please see Bob or Trish or contact bobtrishmoore@sbcglobal.net if you are interested.

TIRED OF A DIRTY CAR?

LET THE PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN HELP

During the **Month of April**, the Presbyterian Woman will be **selling \$11 car wash coupons** good for Crew Car wash locations.

Tickets will be on sale in Fellowship Hall following the Sunday service. The proceeds from the fundraiser will help with local missions.

Thank you for your support.

FAMILY TACO & GAME NIGHT

Join us on **Friday, May 3rd, 2024, from 6-9 pm** for Tacos, Games & Fellowship. Bring your favorite board game to share. Tacos and games provided. **Andrey and Oksana Pankyeyev from Last Bell Ministries will be joining us!**

MOTHER'S DAY CARNATIONS

You may use the form on the table at the rear of the sanctuary to place your order for Mother's Day Carnations. Please turn these in, with your check, by **May 5th**. You may give your order to Jim Story or put it in the offering plate.

APRIL 21 THROUGH APRIL 28, 2024

Today	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour
Monday		
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Bible Study—The Chosen
Wednesday	8:30 am	Men's GBR
	8:30 am	Women's GBR
Thursday	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Friday		
Saturday	8:15 am	Aerobics
Sunday	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour

SR 32 ROAD CONSTRUCTION HAS STARTED!

Please see the News and Notes for more information.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Ruth Anne Nunamaker, having eye surgery in Colorado.
Judy Bunch, recuperating from a fall.
Tyler & Anna Mechem and Family, upon the passing of **Anna's step-mother, Leslie Reed**, in Virginia.



OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES...

To the **Szabo family** upon the passing of **Laurie's father, Loren Hazel**.
To **Anne and Steve Burress** upon the passing of **Anne's sister, Joanne Bley**.

Give thanks to God for protecting the People of Israel, during the recent attack from Iran.

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

Wendy Bittle	Susie Dawes—Allisonville Meadows
Dorothy Etchison—The Lodge	Ray / Sherry Faust
Helen Klucznik	Barbara Landes
Carolyn McGinley—Hamilton Trace	Rachel Morgan
Verna Merrell	Ruth Anne Nunamaker
Jane Rowley	John Thomas—The Barrington of Carmel
Carol Updegraff—Waterford Place Health Campus, Kokomo	



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Eric R. Gale, Pastor

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ELDERS

Mark Wisely	Finance
Barb Runyon	Evangelism
Jennie Auble	Mission
Laurie Szabo	Clerk
Stephen Craig	Planning
Dick Zeiler	Personnel /Nom.
Sue Jourdan	Properties
	Christian Education
	Worship
Eric R. Gale	Moderator

DEACONS

Jake Light, Moderator
Johnathan Baker
Susan Clark
Brenda Christian
Karen Perkins Gale
Clint Gingerich
Andrea Joines
Fran Oakley
Joe Sullivan
Quinn Teague
Diane Widdifield



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
APRIL 21, 2024

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 to prepare for worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE Cheryl Mayhew, organ
"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" John M. Rasley

† CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Lay Leader: Mark Boxberger
(based on Psalm 23)

L: We rejoice in the One who leads us beside still waters,

P: And gives us refreshment of soul.

L: Christ our Shepherd shows us the way we should go,

P: So that the name of God will be glorified.

L: Though all manner of evil befall us, we will not be afraid,

P: For the Great Shepherd of our souls is with us.

L: We are never away from the love and mercy of the Lord,

All: And we shall be with him for ever and ever. Amen!

† HYMN "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" #259

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Gentle Shepherd, You guide us in right paths, You lead us in the ways of righteousness, but we have allowed our anger, our rage, our greed, and at times even hate, to direct our paths. We have overreacted, we have taken more than our share, we have despised others that seem to have it all. Forgive us, God, for not following Your ways. Forgive us for not remembering that we are Your sheep, and You are our Shepherd. Guide us back to Your path, to loving You and loving our neighbors. Help us lend out our hands in hope and healing, forgiveness and love. In the name of Christ our Shepherd we pray. Amen.

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

L: The Good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The Good Shepherd knows the sheep, and the Good Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep so that the sheep may live.

P: We are part of the flock, we are part of Christ's body. In Christ we find wholeness and restoration. Go forth and share this Good News. Amen.

— posted by Rev. Mindi on her blog Rev-o-lution.

† GLORIA PATRI

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.

CHORAL ANTHEM "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" Chancel Choir
(Temple/Hayes)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Esther" Saddleback Kids
(Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 your joys and concerns brief and to the point.)

OFFERING "Trusting Jesus" Ira D. Sankey
DOXOLOGY

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.

† Prayer of Dedication

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Surely the Presence" #219

MESSAGE GOD BEHIND THE SCENES: THE STORY OF ESTHER Pastor Eric Gale
"Setting the Stage: The Party That Lasted Too Long"
Esther 1

† CLOSING HYMN "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" #581

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Psalm 19" Arr. by Edward Broughton

† Please stand if you are able.

Join us in Fellowship Hall following the service for coffee and refreshments.

- * Please sign and date the attendance pad.
- * Be sure to silence your cell phones.
- * We have a fully staffed Nursery available for newborn through 2 years old. Located in the upstairs hallway (nearest the back door), the 2nd door on the left. A changing table is available in the Nursery, as well.

SCRIPTURE

Esther 1:10-12 (NLT2)

On the seventh day of the feast, when King Xerxes was in high spirits because of the wine, he told the seven eunuchs who attended him—Mehuman, Biztha, Harbona, Bigtha, Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas—¹¹to bring Queen Vashti to him with the royal crown on her head. He wanted the nobles and all the other men to gaze on her beauty, for she was a very beautiful woman. ¹²But when they conveyed the king's order to Queen Vashti, she refused to come. This made the king furious, and he burned with anger.

MESSAGE NOTES

God is at work even in the most unusual of circumstances like a party filled with _____, _____, and _____.

I. The party that came to a screeching _____!

II. The queen accused of being at _____!

III. The king who was not worth his _____!