

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 June 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 McDermid 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 Arryene 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 28 THROUGH MAY 5, 2024

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| 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 | 6:00 pm | Family Taco & Game Night |
| Saturday | 8:15 am | Aerobics |
| Sunday | 9:00 am | Adult Sunday School |
| | 10:00 am | Worship |
| | 11:15 am | Fellowship Hour—Meet Your Deacon |

SR 32 ROAD CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES!

Please see the News and Notes for more information.

MEET YOUR DEACON

As a part of our fellowship hour after church on **MAY 5**, the Deacons will be hosting our "Meet Your Deacon" event. Each Deacon will be stationed at various tables around fellowship hall ready to meet and greet our flocks. We can't wait to meet you!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Judy Bunch, as she leaves TODAY, to move to New Hampshire to live with her daughter Nicole Brockman and her family.

Ruth Anne Nunamaker, recuperating from eye surgery in Colorado.

The Szabo family upon the passing of **Laurie's father, Loren Hazel**.

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:

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| 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 | |



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1207 Conner Street, Noblesville, IN
317.773.2383 • fpc-noblesville.org

Eric R. Gale, Pastor

APRIL 28, 2024

ELDERS

Mark Wisely
Barb Runyon
Jennie Auble
Laurie Szabo
Stephen Craig
Dick Zeiler
Sue Jourdan

Eric R. Gale

Finance
Evangelism
Mission
Clerk
Planning
Personnel /Nom.
Properties
Christian Education
Worship
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

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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
"All Glory, Laud and Honor" Lani Smith

† CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Lay Leader: Bob Moore
(inspired by Psalm 14)

L: The foolish say, 'there is no God.'

P: We come, trusting in Jesus, the face, the voice, the presence of the God who loves us.

L: The scoffers of our age ask, 'why do you seek after God?'

P: We come, in this time, because God's grace has spilled over in our lives.

L: The hopeless around us think, 'no one cares about me.'

P: We come, in this time, to this place, because Jesus has found us and brought us home. ~ written by Thom Shuman

† HYMN "Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated" #597

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God, we confess that we don't always understand our own actions. We clearly know what is right—what you expect of us—but we don't always do it. We also clearly know what is wrong—the thoughts and actions that hurt others and offend you—but we do these things anyway. Forgive us! Through Jesus Christ our Lord, set us free from the sin that controls us. Amen!

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE (responsive)

L: People of God, know this: Our God is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry, and filled with unfailing love. When we stumble, he is there to catch us; when we are weighed down, he is there to lift us up. So be at peace: your sins are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

† 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 "My Soul Finds Rest" Chancel Choir
(by Keys/Townsend/Courtney)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Queen Esther's Brave Journey" JudahSketch Animation
(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 "Take the Name of Jesus With You" Stewart Landon

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 "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #393

MESSAGE GOD BEHIND THE SCENES: THE STORY OF ESTHER Pastor Eric Gale
"Esther Becomes Queen" Esther 2:15-20

† CLOSING HYMN "Jesus Calls Us" #592

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Sortie on 'Hursley'" Lani Smith

† 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 2:15-20 (NLT)

15 Esther was the daughter of Abihail, who was Mordecai's uncle. (Mordecai had adopted his younger cousin Esther.) When it was Esther's turn to go to the king, she accepted the advice of Hegai, the eunuch in charge of the har-em. She asked for nothing except what he suggested, and she was admired by everyone who saw her.

16 Esther was taken to King Xerxes at the royal palace in early winter of the seventh year of his reign. 17 And the king loved Esther more than any of the other young women. He was so delighted with her that he set the royal crown on her head and declared her queen instead of Vashti. 18 To celebrate the oc-casion, he gave a great banquet in Esther's honor for all his nobles and offi-cials, declaring a public holiday for the provinces and giving generous gifts to everyone.

19 Even after all the young women had been transferred to the second har-em and Mordecai had become a palace official, 20 Esther continued to keep her family background and nationality a secret. She was still following Morde-cai's directions, just as she did when she lived in his home.

MESSAGE NOTES

God's power to orchestrate life's events:

I. Life in the _____.

II. The purpose of a _____ life.

III. A position to _____.