

AUGUST 2024 INCOME/EXPENSE REPORT

	<u>2024 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Actual</u>	<u>2023 Actual</u>
Income:	\$211,562	\$196,590	\$196,364
Expenses:	\$211,562	\$223,379	\$211,704
(Deficit)/Surplus:		\$ (26,789)	\$ (19,340)

Did you know...it costs just over \$6,100 a week to keep our church doors open for us each Sunday?

LADIES LUNCHEONS...

The dates for the next luncheons are: **Monday, September 16; Monday, October 21; Monday, November 18 and Monday, December 16.** We will meet at **11:30 AM** at Perkins on Noble Creek Drive. A sign-up sheet will be at the welcome desk. Your phone number is requested in the event the luncheon is canceled. If you bring a friend, please sign them up also so we have an accurate count for the restaurant. All are welcome. **Remember it's free pie Monday.**

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday Morning Bible Study Class is continuing their study about stories of the women whose faith in God led the way.

FELLOWSHIP

Bake or bakery, we don't care. Any treats you're willing to share. Find a friend to host with you. Blessings will return, it's true.

There are still several Sundays open on the church kitchen calendar to serve. Sharing hospitality with our church family is deeply appreciated.

INQUIRERS/NEW MEMBERS MEETING

Would you like more information about FPC-Noblesville? The next Inquirers/ New Members class will be **Sunday, September 29 at 8:30 am in the church library.** If you haven't already expressed an interest to attend, please contact Barb Runyon at bsrunyon@yahoo.com or call/text at 317-407-4170 or find Barb at the Welcome Center before or after church this month.

SEPTEMBER 15 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

Today	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour
Monday	5:45 pm	Bridge Group
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Westminster Circle
Wednesday	8:30 am	Men's GBR
	7:00 pm	SESSION
Thursday		
Friday	9:00 am	Shepherd's Center
Saturday		
Sunday	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Gretchen Dickison, on the passing of her husband **George.**
Ann Green, having hip replacement surgery on Monday, 9/16/2024.
Sue Jourdan, having major surgery on 10/3/2024.
Fran Andrews & her family, on the passing of her **nephew, Cameron Lepsky.**



SERVICES FOR GEORGE DICKISON...

Services will take place at Randall & Roberts (Westfield Blvd.) **Monday, September 16, 2024.**

Calling is at **10 AM**
 Service begins at **11:00 AM**

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

Wendy Bittle	Susie Dawes —Allisonville Meadows
Gretchen Dickison —Wellbrook in Westfield	
Dorothy Etchison —The Lodge	Ray / Sherry Faust
Helen Klucznik	Barbara Landes
Carolyn McGinley —Hamilton Trace	Rachel Morgan
Verna Merrell	Jane Rowley
Carol Stough — Five Star Residences of Noblesville	
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

SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

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
SEPTEMBER 15, 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 before worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE
"Song of the Spirit" Cheryl Mayhew, organ
John M. Rasley

† CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Lay Leader: Mark Wisely
L: Come into this sacred space to worship God (from Psalm 19)

P: whose teaching is perfect; whose directions are sure.

L: Come into this holy place to worship God

P: whose standards are right; whose commandment is clear; whose judgements are true.

L: Come with holy fear – to be given life, and made wise, to have your heart stirred and your eyes opened wide. Come — let us worship God.

P: Let the words of our mouths and the whispering of our hearts be according to your will, O God.

† OPENING HYMN "I Am Thine, O Lord" #552

† PRAYER OF ADORATION & CONFESSION (unison) (based on Psalm 19)
Your glory, O God is declared in the holy silence of the heavens, and told in the silent succession of day and night. No speech, or word or voice is heard; yet they speak to all the world, and their words reach to the ends of the earth. The sun joyfully leaps across the sky, from one end of the heavens to the farthest reaches, and nothing is hidden from its heat or light. So nothing that we do or say or whisper in our hearts is hidden from you, Lord God. Release us from darkness we hide deep within our lives. Let our lives be radiant with holy fear; delighting in your teaching, receiving insight from your commandments and wisdom from your encouraging. Amen.
— Copyright © 2000 Jeff Shrowder

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE (responsive) (1 John 1:9)
L: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

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 "Down to the River to Pray" Chancel Choir
(arr. Sheldon Curry)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "The Sabbath" Douglas
(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 joys and concerns brief. This is time for prayer)

OFFERING "Think On Me" Arr. by Roger C. Wilson

† 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 "There's Something About That Name" #83

MESSAGE "The Dignity of Sabbath" Pastor Eric Gale
Deuteronomy 5:12-15; Mark 2:23-28

† CLOSING HYMN "Take the Name of Jesus with You" #235

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" George J. Webb

† 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.

SCRIPTURE

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

¹² "Observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy, as the Lord your God has commanded you. ¹³ Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁴ but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your ox, your donkey or any of your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns, so that your male and female servants may rest, as you do. ¹⁵ Remember that you were slaves in Egypt and that the Lord your God brought you out of there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord your God has commanded you to observe the Sabbath day.

Mark 2:23-28

²³ One Sabbath Jesus was going through the grainfields, and as his disciples walked along, they began to pick some heads of grain. ²⁴ The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?"

²⁵ He answered, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need? ²⁶ In the days of Abiathar the high priest, he entered the house of God and ate the consecrated bread, which is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions."

²⁷ Then he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. ²⁸ So the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath."

MESSAGE NOTES

One of the important things God says to us in the 4th Commandment is this...
"If you want to improve the quality of your life, the life of your family, and the culture, 'Observe the Sabbath and keep it holy.'" Why? Because the Fourth Commandment dignifies and elevates us all.

Sabbath rest dignifies...

I. Our _____!

II. God's _____ order!

III. H _____!

IV. Our _____ for Christ!