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HELPERS NEEDED FOR THE 11TH ANNUAL RED GERANIUM ARTISAN MARKET!

Help make one of FPC’s largest mission fundraisers a success on **Saturday, August 15**. Volunteers are needed for setup, hospitality, market assistance, and cleanup. No experience is necessary—just a willing heart and friendly smile! Proceeds support local, national, and international mission projects. To help, please contact **Mission Team member Kelly Wuerch** at kswuerch@gmail.com or **317-946-2733**. Thank you for helping us welcome our community and let’s make this year's market a success!

NOTE TO GRADUATING SENIORS (2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR)...

The FPC endowment committee offers \$500.00 scholarships to graduating seniors who are continuing any kind of further education. All that is needed is a brief letter (1-2 paragraphs) explaining your future education plans. All church members qualify. **Letters need to be to the church secretary (secretary@fpc-noblesville.org) by August 7th**. The Endowment Committee is looking forward to your application.

ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC

The Annual Summer Picnic with be held on Sunday, August 2nd after the worship service in the Fellowship Hall!

The Deacons will provide hamburgers and hotdogs, buns and condiments, drinks and table service.

Please bring a side or dessert to share!

Grab a partner and sign-up for the Cornhole Tournament! You could win a fabulous prize! There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall by the Welcome Center. There will also be special treats for the youth. Hope to see everyone there!

RAINBOWS AND SHOOTING STARS SUMMER BREAK!

Just a reminder that the Rainbows and Shooting Stars classes will be taking a break for the month of July, so there will be no class until the Back-to-School Picnic. **Nursery care is available TODAY**. We look forward to our new classes in August!

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS STARTING...

The **Rainbows, Shooting Stars and Middle School classes will be resuming classes next Sunday, August 2nd!** We are excited to welcome our former friends back and meet new friends! The Rainbows class is for 3-year-olds-Kindergarten, the Shooting Stars class is for 1st grade-5th grade and the Middle School class is for 6th-8th grade.

PROMOTION SUNDAY....

Sunday, August 2nd will be Sunday School Promotion Recognition! We would like to invite all children/youth to be a part of this special time as we recognize those who will be moving into a new Sunday School class/age group. **Bibles will be presented to those moving into the middle school class**. Agnes is so excited that she is going to be promoted as well and even has a special surprise for ALL of our Sunday Schoolers! We would like to make sure that all children/youth moving up are recognized, so if you have a child/grandchild who recently turned 3 years old, is in 1st grade or 6th grade, and is interested in being a part of our Sunday School program, please let us know.
Kendall, Marlee and Trish

JUNE 2026 BUDGET PERFORMANCE REPORT

	<u>2026 Actual</u>	<u>2025 Actual</u>
Income:	\$154,256.33	\$169,195.53
Expenses:	\$162,702.48	\$161,781.78
(Deficit)/Surplus:	\$ (8,446.15)	\$ 7,413.75

Attendance Last week: In Sanctuary —104; Households Online—29

JULY 26 THROUGH AUGUST 2, 2026

Today	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour
	11:15 am	Mission Team Meeting
Monday	9:00 am	Shepherd’s Center
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Westminster Circle
Wednesday	8:30 am	Women’s Great Banquet Reunion Group
	8:30 am	Men’s Great Banquet Reunion Group
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	8:30 am	Aerobics
Sunday	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Back-to-School Picnic

JULY 26, 2026

Audio / Video Team:	Quinn Teague & Jake Light 8/2—Rick Mayhew & Quinn Teague
Nursery:	Ann Green & Jennie Auble 8/2—Robin Story & Karen Perkins Gale
Lay leader:	Tom Bader 8/2—Gail Ratliff
Fellowship hour:	Robin Rufatto & Andrea Joines 8/2—Deacons - Back-to-School Picnic
In the office:	July—Janie Emerson
	August—Barb Runyon

WESTMINSTER CIRCLE

Circle is now meeting on the 2nd and the 4th Tuesdays of each month at 1:00 pm. We are studying the Hebrew names of God.

SPECIAL MUSIC..

If you are interested in sharing your musical talents with us during a Sunday service this Summer, **please contact Cynthia Fremling at (847) 293-7306 or cfremling@comcast.net**.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

♥ Bill McConnell, husband of Jan McConnell, recuperating at Riverview Rehab.	
♥ Rita Popp & family, upon the passing of her husband, Mike Maloney	
Continue to remember those who are at home or in health care facilities:	
Wendy Bittle	Dorothy Etchison—Independence Village
Barbara Landes	Joe McGinley – Hamilton Trace
Verna Merrell	Rachel Morgan
Carol Stough—The Crossings of Noblesville	



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Ken Locke, Interim Pastor

JULY 26, 2026
9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SESSION

Laurie Szabo	Christian Education
Barb Runyon	Evangelism
Mark Wisely	Finance
Jennie Auble	Mission
Bob Moore	Planning
Peggy Deakyne	Personnel /Nom.
Steve Runyon	Properties
Rick Mayhew	Worship
Karen McCord	Clerk
Ken Locke	Moderator

DEACONS

Anne Burress
Jill Casper
Cheryl Ditzler
Brenda Christian
Clint Gingerich
Andrea Joines
Linda Melton
Gail Ratliff
Robin Rufatto
Quinn Teague
Debbie Wilson

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 26, 2026

9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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.

We Gather Together

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE Cheryl Mayhew, Organist

† OPENING PRAYER Lay Leader: Tom Bader

L: O Lord, your loving-kindness is better than life.

P: There is nothing that can separate us from your enduring love.

L: Move us out, draw us close, and keep us steady, that we might serve you all the days of our lives.

P: All glory, power, dominion, and majesty are yours from eternity to eternity. Amen.

† OPENING HYMN “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” #225

† CALL TO CONFESSION

L: We love God, and yet . . .

We are Christ’s disciples, and yet . . .

We are guided by the Spirit, and yet . . .

there are many ways we do not live this reality.

P: Let us call upon the Spirit to intercede for us in our time of confession.

God, forgive us. Lord, hear our prayer.

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Spirit, intercede . . .

P: when we fall short of your glory, when we do not deserve your promises, when we do not act like those who have been called your family.

L: Spirit, intercede . . .

P: when our words wound, when our silence speaks volumes, when our actions are a far cry from what you would have us do.

L: Spirit, intercede . . .

P: break forth into our lives, forming us into the image of your Son, that we might never feel separate from you again.

(Time for Silent Confession)

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE

L: Holy, Holy, Holy One, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak, and to give all glory, honor, and praise to your threefold name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

L: Being at peace with God, let us also be at peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you!

(Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you)

† 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” Linda Rosen, Piano (Arr. Joel Raney)

God’s Word is Proclaimed

TIME WITH CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 29:15–30 Old Testament pg. 26

New Testament Lesson: Romans 8:26–39 New Testament pgs. 158-159

HYMN OF PREPARATION “O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go” #606

SERMON “Who You Gonna Call?” Pastor Ken Locke

We Respond to God’s Word

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

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

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

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

†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.

SCRIPTURES

Genesis 29:15–30

¹⁵ Then Laban said to Jacob, ‘Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?’ ¹⁶ Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. ¹⁷ Leah’s eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. ¹⁸ Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, ‘I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.’ ¹⁹ Laban said, ‘It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me.’ ²⁰ So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her. ²¹ Then Jacob said to Laban, ‘Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed.’ ²² So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. ²³ But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. ²⁴ (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) ²⁵ When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, ‘What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?’ ²⁶ Laban said, ‘This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. ²⁷ Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me for another seven years.’ ²⁸ Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife. ²⁹ (Laban gave his maid Bilhah to his daughter Rachel to be her maid.) ³⁰ So Jacob went in to Rachel also, and he loved Rachel more than Leah. He served Laban for another seven years.

Romans 8:26–39

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷ And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸ We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. ³⁰ And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. ³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, ‘For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.’ ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.