

NEW FELLOWSHIP HALL FLOORING PREPARATION...
Our new fellowship hall flooring will be installed on November 3rd - 6th.

- Needing help with disassembling and moving Fellowship Hall furniture after Church on Sunday Nov 2nd. After worship service
- Needing help putting furniture back in place on Thursday evening Nov. 6th at 6:30 pm

Please contact Sue Jourdan 317 502-0688 if you can help! Thank you

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD...
Remember after church, as you visit your friends, **please help Presbyterian Women fold shoe boxes!**

ADDITION TO OUR VETERANS' DAY OBSERVANCE...
There will be an addition to our Veteran’s Day observance this year, Sunday, November 9, 2025.
Immediately following the worship service, in the fellowship hall, each of our veterans will be awarded a Quilt of Valor!

This is being brought to your attention now as there is a way the congregation can be involved. Donations are needed to cover the cost of materials and machine quilting. That cost is \$150 for each quilt, a total of \$1800 for our twelve veterans.
Those donations can be placed in the offering plate on a Sunday morning or sent to the church office, with a QOV designation. Any donations beyond the actual cost will be used for a project of the Session's choosing.

We're hoping our entire congregation, family members, and friends will be present for both the worship service and the Quilt of Valor ceremony.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL...
We have wrapped up our series on Heaven. **Will finish our series of SERMON ON THE MOUNT for a couple of weeks.**

"THE CHOSEN" BIBLE STUDY
Bob and Trish Moore will be hosting a Bible based on the popular television series "The Chosen". **We are studying Season 5 of "The Chosen."** Anyone interested can contact Bob or Trish Moore (bobtrishmoore@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

HOLIDAYS ARE COMING. HELP FEED OUR YELLOW FOOD PANTRY!
For five years, FPC has partnered with **FeedingTeam.org** to serve neighboring families in our community who often fall through the cracks of traditional food assistance. Our little yellow pantry stands in our parking lot as a symbol of dignity, compassion, and community care.

As the holidays approach, the FPC Mission Team invites you to help us keep it stocked:

- **Donate non-perishables** indoors or directly into the outdoor pantry.
- **Give financially** using yellow envelopes in pew folders. Checks to FPC with “food pantry” in the memo help fund monthly shopping trips.
- Volunteer just **one day a month** to help stock shelves or shop for groceries—no long-term commitment. See Jennie Auble to join the team.

Coming Soon: Our Annual Holiday Cheese Ball Sale—plan ahead for your family gatherings!

OCTOBER 26 THROUGH NOVEMBER 2, 2025		
Today	10:00 am	Worship
	11:00 am	Congregational Meeting
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour
Monday		
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

SEARCH FOR AN INTERIM PASTOR UPDATE...
At a recent meeting of the Session on October 8, 2025, an interim search committee was elected by the Session. The members are: Paul Auble (co-chair), Bob Moore (co-chair), Laurie Szabo, Barb Runyon and Chris Swatts. Work has begun to create a job description for an Interim Pastor.

~Karen McCord, Clerk of Session

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING—TODAY!!!	
A Congregational Meeting, to elect new Elders & Deacons, is scheduled TODAY, following the worship service. In addition, the congregation will vote on recent updates to the church by-laws.	
SLATE OF CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE	
Deacons:	Elders:
Cheryl Ditzler (2026)	Peggy Deakyne (2026)
Quinn Teague (2028)	Laurie Szabo (2028)
Debbie Wilson (2028)	Steve Runyon (2028)
Jill Casper (2028)	

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- ♥ **Karen Perkins Gale**, preparing for surgery on Wednesday, October 29, 2025.
- ♥ **Marlynn Story**, recuperating at home following shoulder replacement surgery.
- ♥ **Linda O’Dell**, recuperating at home.
- ♥ **Jack Bell** upon the passing of his wife, **Suzi Bell**.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUZI BELL...

A celebration of life will be held from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Sunday November 9, 2025, at Pebble Brook Golf Club, 3110 Westfield Road, Noblesville, IN 46062.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, PO Box 681405, Indianapolis, IN 46268-1405, <https://www.cancer.org/about-us/local/indiana.html>

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

Wendy Bittle	Dorothy Etchison—Independence Village
Barbara Landes	Carolyn & Joe McGinley – Hamilton Trace
Verna Merrell	Rachel Morgan
Carol Stough—Five Star Residences of Noblesville	
John Thomas—The Barrington of Carmel	



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OCTOBER 26, 2025
CONGREGATOINAL MEETING

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



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OCTOBER 26, 2025 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING		
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		Dolores McNabb—Quilts of Valor
RINGING OF THE BELL		
PRELUDE	Cheryl Mayhew, organist James Mansfield	
“The Church’s One Foundation”		
† CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)		Lay Leader: Kregg Swanson
L: What mighty praise belongs to You, O God!		
P: You are the hope of everyone on earth.		
L: Even those who live at the farthest ends of the earth stand in awe of your wonders.		
P: From where the sun rises to where it sets, You inspire shouts of joy.		
All: What mighty praise belongs to You, O God!		
(based on Psalm 65:1, 5, 8)		
† OPENING HYMN	“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”	#21
† PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)		
Lord God of heaven and earth, we confess that we try to measure our faithfulness by comparing ourselves with others. Forgive us O God where we fail to see your Spirit’s work in others or in those who have lived before us. Forgive us for choosing comfort and convenience over faithfulness. Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us as sinners. Amen.		
† WORDS OF ASSURANCE (responsive)		
L: What mighty praise belongs to You, O God!		
P: You are the hope of everyone on earth.		
L: Even those who live at the farthest ends of the earth stand in awe of your wonders.		
P: From where the sun rises to where it sets, You inspire shouts of joy.		
All: What mighty praise belongs to You, O God		
† 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.		
CHORAL ANTHEM	“Almighty Unchangeable God” (Cindy Berry)	Chancel Choir
CHILDREN’S MESSAGE	“Shine in the Darkness”	Douglas
(Children are dismissed to Sunday School)		
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	“Change My Heart, O God”	Arr. by Douglas Wagner
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		
HYMN OF PREPARATION	“Spirit of the Living God”	#389
MESSAGE	ON A HILLSIDE FAR AWAY “Pass the Salt” Matthew 5:13-16	Pastor Eric Gale
† CLOSING HYMN	“All the Way My Savior Leads Me”	#680
† BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	“The Clarion Call”	Lani Smith
†Please stand if you are able.		
<i>Join us in Fellowship Hall following the Congregational Meeting for coffee and refreshments.</i>		
* 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

Matthew 5:13-16

¹³“You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

MESSAGE NOTES
What does it mean to be the Salt of the Earth?
1. Salt is _____ to life.
2. Salt has a _____ taste.
3. Salt is a _____.
4. Salt _____ and disinfects.
5. Salt can be an _____.
6. Salt does its work _____.
7. Salt brings us _____!
8. Once salt is in the food you can’t _____ ____ _____.