ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL...

Our class will start a new series this coming week titled:

HEAVEN: WHO GOES THERE? WHO MAKES THE CUT? DO YOU WANT TO GO?

This will be a most interesting discussion with support from ANDY STANLEY videos. So feel free to join us on this fantastic spiritual journey.

"THE CHOSEN" BIBLE STUDY

Bob and Trish Moore will be hosting a Bible based on the popular television series "The Chosen". We will be starting Season 5 of "The Chosen" small group on September 23rd. Anyone interested can contact Bob or Trish Moore (bobtrishmoore@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

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 Quilts of Valor ceremony.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEONS

The next FPC men's luncheons will be the 2nd Monday of October (10/13/25) & November (11/10/25) 11:30am at Perkins Restaurant. Any questions see Stephen Craig. Sign up sheet will be on a clip board at the welcome center, or you can email Stephen at <u>sacraig071347@gmail.com</u>. 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.

LADIES LUNCHEONS

The next FPC women's luncheons will be the 3rd Monday of October (10/20/25) & November (11/17/25) 11:30am at Perkins Restaurant. Any questions see Marlynn Story. Sign up sheet will be on a clip board at the welcome center. 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.

FELLOWSHIP HALL FLOORING UPDATE...

We have surpassed our goal from fundraising. Thank you to all who donated to make this happen. Look for installation in October. ~Sue Jourdan, Properties Elder

OCTOBER 5 THROUGH OCTOBER 12, 2025

Today	8:30 am	Inquirer's / New Member's meeting
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour
	11:15 am	Worship Committee
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday	8:30 am	Men's Great Banquet Reunion Group
	8:30 am	Women's Great Banquet Reunion Group
	7:00 pm	Presbyterian Women
	7:00 pm	SESSION
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

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- **▼ Larry Grabb,** recuperating at Riverview Hospital.
- ▶ Linda O'Dell, recuperating following surgery at St. Vincent Heart Hospital.
- ◆ Aaron Alberts, nephew of Sharon Moore, is scheduled to have surgery on October 11, 2025, to remove his colon.
- ▼ Suzi Bell, recuperating at home.
- **▼ Bill Linville,** undergoing cancer treatments.
- ♥ Dick & Jana Zeiler, as Dick continues through his long recuperation journey.
- ▶ Helen LeCount, recuperating from injuries from a recent fall and other issues.

Prayers to those affected by the shootings at a North Carolina restaurant & a Michigan church.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES...

To **Bill & Emily Linville** upon the passing of **Bill's wife and Emily's mom, Jennifer Linville**.

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

Wendy Bittle Dorothy Etchison—Independence Village

Ray / Sherry Faust 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 5, 2025 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

SESSION

Laurie Szabo
Barb Runyon
Mark Wisely
Jennie Auble
Bob Moore
Peggy Deakyne
Sue Jourdan
Karen McCord
Eric R. Gale

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

Susan Clark, Co-Moderator Andrea Joines, Co-Moderator Johnathan Baker Anne Burress Brenda Christian Clint Gingerich Gail Ratliff

DEACONS

Robin Rufatto Joe Sullivan Quinn Teague Debbie Wilson

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH **OCTOBER 5. 2025 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**

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 Cheryl Mayhew, organist "Jesus Is Calling" Franklin Ritter

† CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Lay Leader: Anne Burress

L: God has saved us and called us to a holy life—

P: not because of anything we have done, but because of his own purpose and grace.

L: This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior,

P: who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

All: Let us worship God.

"To God Be the Glory" #56 **† OPENING HYMN**

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison) (inspired by Lamentations 3:19-26) Comforting God, it is all too easy for us to focus only on the negative things in life, instead of celebrating all that you provide that is positive and good. Redirect our wayward hearts, Lord. Refocus our wandering minds. Remind us of the hope we

(~ posted on The Worship Closet)

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE (responsive) (inspired by 2 Timothy 1: 1-14)

L: Our Savior Jesus Christ abolished sin and death and brought life and immortality to light. By the grace of the Eternal One, we are forgiven in the power of the Holy Spirit living within us.

All: Thanks be to God! (~ posted on the Ministry Matters website)

† 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 "I Will Lift My Eyes" **Chancel Choir**

(Craig Courtney)

(Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

have in you, for your love and mercies are without end.

OFFERING

Offertory "You Are My All in All" Arr. by Douglas E. Wagner

† 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.

† Prayer of Dedication

HYMN OF PREPARATION #539 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

MESSAGE "The Community of Believers"

Psalm 133

Pastor Eric Gale

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- -Apostle's Creed (Green hymnal-inside cover)
- -Prayer of Thanksgiving
- -Serving of the Elements
- -The Lord's Prayer
- -Servers: Claudia MacRae, Kregg Swanson, Clint Gingerich, Mark Wisely

#549 † CLOSING HYMN "Higher Ground"

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "O Sing Unto God" **Donald Lee Moore**

†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.

Hymn Festival—Next Sunday, October 12, 2025

Next Sunday, October 12, we will be worshiping God with a special emphasis on singing! Our guest for this hymn festival will be The Rev. Dr. Paul Detterman. Paul has been a church musician since age 14. He is ordained in the PCUSA and has spent his life combining music and theology to draw people closer to Christ. Our worship next Sunday will include many familiar hymns as well as a few that may be new to us. Even if you're not a singer, you can worship God in the rich poetry of the texts and the beauty of the music. This is a wonderful opportunity to invite friends to join us for worship!

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 133

How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity! ²It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.

³It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.

MESSAGE NOTES

	of God!
"Because G	od has already laid the only foundation of our fellowship, because
God has bo	und us together in one body with other Christians in Jesus Christ,
long before	we entered into common life with them, we enter into that com-
mon life no	as demanders but as
	. We thank God for what He has done for us. We
thank God f	or giving us brethren who live by His call, by His forgiveness, and
His promise	. We do not complain of what God does not give us; we rather
thank God f	or what He does give us daily." Bonhoeffer, Life Together
"The believe	er feels no shame, as though he were still living too much in flesh
when he ye	arns for the of other
Christians. N	Nan was created a body, the Son of God appeared on earth in the
body, he wa	s raised in the body, in the sacrament the believer receives the
Lord Christ	n the body, and the resurrection of the dead will bring about the
perfected fe	llowship of God's spiritual-physical creatures. The believer there
fore lauds t	ne Creator, the Redeemer, God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, for
the bodily p	resence of a brother" Bonhoeffer, Life Together
"The prison	er, the sick person, the Christian in exile sees the companionship
of a fellow (Christian [as] a physical sign of the gracious presence of the triune
God. Visitor	and visited in loneliness recognize in each other the Christ who is
present in t	ne body; they receive and meet each other as one meets the Lord
in reverence	e, humility, and joy But if there is so much blessing and joy even
in a single e	ncounter of brother with brother, how inexhaustible are the rich-
es that ope	up for those who by God's will are privileged to live in the
	of life with other Christians!" Bon-