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 starting July 6th until the Back to School Picnic. Nursery care will still be available. We look forward to our new classes in August!

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.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE SHOEBOX MINISTRY 2025... Christmas in July! Start off with a big bang! Help give a smile and a chance for eternity!

Don't forget the thrift stores!!! Sales after 4th of July.

Flags, Sunglasses, Necklaces, Flip flops, Socks, Underwear, Baby items - ages 2-4.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN JUST DESSERTS PARTY

The women of the church are invited to attend our annual Presbyterian Woman's Just Dessert Party. Please feel free to bring a friend. Join us for fellowship and dessert.

What: Just Desserts

When: Wednesday, July 9th at 7pm

Where: Fellowship hall

Presentation: Forever Young

Speaker: Bunny Nash Gardner, licensed instructor with The Village of Healing

and Wellness and Tai Chi for Health Institute

Presentation on the importance of taking care of you. Demonstration with

movements based in tai chi and qigong.

Please bring: Please bring an item to donate to the Malawi Mission Project. For example: baby receiving blankets, onesies, nursery hats, sanitary napkins, chucks pads, large garbage bags, large size Ziplock bags, quart size Ziplock bags, wrapped bar soap, wash cloths, inspirational items to place in the bags for the

mothers, umbilical cord clips, diapers

RSVP by 7-6-25 to GG Nash or Trisha McDermand at tmcdermand@comcast.net

or call 317-514-8623.

RECITAL INVITATION...

You Are Invited to Our Special Recital by Johnathan Baker, Tenor & Matteo DeRosa, Baritone Sunday, July 13th at 4pm **First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary** Students of Cynthia & Warren Fremling. Philip Oren, Accompanist

Refreshments will be served.

JULY 6 THROUGH JULY 13, 2025

| Today | 10:00 am | Worship |
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| | 11:15 am | Fellowship Hour |
| | 11:30 am | Worship Committee Meeting |
| Monday | | |
| Tuesday | 6:30 pm | Tri Kappa |
| Wednesday | 8:30 am | Men's Great Banquet Reunion Group |
| | 8:30 am | Women's Great Banquet Reunion Group |
| | 7:00 pm | PW—Just Desserts |
| Thursday | 10:00 am | Shepherd's Center |
| 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 |
| | 4:00 pm | Recital—Johnathan Baker & Matteo De Rosa |

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



- **▼ Bill Linville,** concerns his cancer may have spread.
- **▼ Linda O'Dell,** upcoming open-heart surgery.
- **♥ Dick Zeiler,** recuperating at home following surgery.
- **▼ Paul Wood,** at Indianapolis Rehabilitation Hospital, Carmel.
- **▼ Peggy Deakyne,** at home with a broken foot.

A THANK YOU & A FAREWELL...

Thank you everyone for being so welcoming. I've really enjoyed being part of the FPC family. I am moving to St. Petersburg, Florida. I wish you all well -**Heather Lyons.**

Heather's new address:

4440 2nd Ave. South St. Petersburg, FL 33711

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Pastor Eric & Karen Perkins Gale, on the birth of their new grandson, Ford William Taylor, son of Elizabeth (Gale) & A.J. Taylor.

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

Wendy Bittle Dorothy Etchison—The Lodge

Ray & Sherry Faust **Barbara Landes Carolyn & Joe McGinley**—Hamilton Trace **Rachel Morgan** Verna Merrell **Carol Stough**—Five Star Residences of Noblesville John Thomas—The Barrington of Carmel



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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> JULY 6, 2025 **COMMUNION SUNDAY**

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Personnel /Nom.

Mark Wisely Barb Runyon Jennie Auble **Bob Moore** Peggy Deakyne

Sue Jourdan

Karen McCord Eric R. Gale

DEACONS Susan Clark, Co-Moderator

Andrea Joines, Co-Moderator Johnathan Baker **Anne Burress** Christian Education

Brenda Christian Clint Gingerich **Gail Ratliff Robin Rufatto** Joe Sullivan Quinn Teague Debbie Wilson

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH JULY 6, 2025

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 Clarice Stegall, organist

"All Creatures of Our God and King" Frank Speller

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† CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive) Lay Leader: Bill Linville

L: Come rejoice, all you who love and serve the Lord! Sing songs and hymns of

praise; celebrate together in God's presence!

P: For the word of the Lord holds true forever, and everything he does is worthy of our trust.

L: Let all the earth stand in awe of our God, for he spoke, and the world came into being; he breathed, and the heavens were born.

P: God shatters the plans of the nations, and frustrates all their schemes.

L: But the plans of our Maker stand firm forever; his intentions are unshakeable.

P: Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, whose people are known by his name.

All: Let your unfailing love surround us, O God, for our hope is in you alone. (based on Psalm 33)

† OPENING HYMN "America, the Beautiful" #799

† PRAYER FOR THE NATION (unison)

God of ages, in your sight nations rise and fall, and pass through times of peril. Now, when our land is troubled, be near to judge and save. May leaders be led by your wisdom; may they search your will and see it clearly. If we have turned from your way, help us to reverse our ways and repent. Give us your light and your truth to guide us; through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of this world, and our Savior. Amen.

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE (responsive)

L: My friends, step free from the dark face of the past and turn to the light and hope of tomorrow. Listen to the Gospel: God did not send his Son to condemn the world but that through Christ this world might be saved. We are a much loved and forgiven people!

All: Thanks be to God! (Written by Bruce Prewer)

† GLORIA PATRI words on screen

SPECIAL MUSIC "I Sing Because I'm Happy" Sue Jourdan, Mezzo Soprano

Robin Rufatto, Soprano

(Charles H. Gabriel)
Arr. Kenneth Paden and Rollo Dillworth

OFFERING

Offertory "Once More, My Soul" George Shearing
† Doxology words on screen

† Prayer of Dedication

HYMN OF PREPARATION "If My People's Hearts are Humbled" #805

MESSAGE "The Battle for Freedom" Pastor Eric Gale
Galatians 5:13-18

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- -Apostle's Creed (Green hymnal-inside cover; Blue hymnal-page 14)
- -Prayer of Thanksgiving
- -Serving of the Elements
- -The Lord's Prayer
- -Servers: Claudia MacRae, Kiersten Clifford, Paul Auble, Mark Wisely

† CLOSING HYMN

"My Country, 'Tis of Thee" #807

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "God of Our Fathers" Seth Bingham

†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.

We welcome **Clarice Stegall** as our organist today, while Cheryl is on vacation!

SCRIPTURE

Galatians 5:13-18 (NIV)

You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love. ¹⁴The entire law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.

¹⁶So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. ¹⁷For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want. ¹⁸But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law.

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