

ANNUAL FPC RED GERANIUM ARTISAN MARKET IS COMING!
The **Annual FPC Red Geranium Artisan Market** returns on **August 15, 9 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**! For more than a decade, this cherished event has brought together talented artisans, friendly faces, and our wider community. Special thanks to everyone who signed up to help, before, during, and after the event. Come and browse the work of **56 talented artisans and vendors** featuring handmade gifts, artwork, jewelry, home décor, and more. Be sure to stop by the beloved **PW Bake Sale**, where you'll find homemade cakes, cookies, pies, and other delicious treats. We look forward to seeing you on August 15!

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.

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.**

CHOIR WILL BE BACK SOON...
Hard to believe but summertime is almost over and choir season will begin again in just a few weeks. **Choir will begin rehearsing regularly on Thursday nights beginning September 3. The Choir will return to singing in service the Sunday after Labor Day which is September 13 this year.**

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - “AUGUST - TOYS”
Thank you for your donations for Christmas Shoebox Ministry in July! You all did a great job!
The month of August we are continuing to give, but now concentrating on toys! Jump ropes, stuffed animals, chawks, dolls, things you are lead to buy for boys and girls 2-14 We have new suggestions hanging on our tree. (Keep in mind the shoebox size) God bless you for giving to this wonderful ministry!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL...
The Adult class will continue their series on Samuel. Everyone is welcome to join.

TIME TO UPDATE THE FPC CHURCH DIRECTORY!
In **August** we will be updating the FPC church directory. If you have any changes in your contact information or if you would like to add a picture or even change the picture that is currently in the directory—email all changes to secretary@fpc-noblesville.org.

ROOF UPDATE...
IRC Roofing has confirmed that the roof replacement is 99% done. There is a small amount of masonry work that needs to be repaired, and they will complete that soon. Due to rain delays it took longer than expected, but the good news - the flat roof is completely new. If you have any questions - please let me know.
Steve Runyon - Property Elder

JUNE 2026 BUDGET PERFORMANCE REPORT			GIVE ON-LINE THROUGH TITHE.LY:
	2026 Actual	2025 Actual	
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 —99; Households Online—24

AUGUST 2 THROUGH AUGUST 9, 2026		
Today	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Back-to-School Picnic
Monday	9:00 am	Shepherd’s Center
Tuesday		
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
	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
Sunday	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour

AUGUST 2, 2026	
Audio / Video Team:	Rick Mayhew & Quinn Teague 8/9—Brian Wuerch & Rick Mayhew
Nursery:	Barb Runyon & Karen Perkins Gale 8/9—Barb Runyon & Laurie Szabo
Lay leader:	Gail Ratliff 8/9—Mark Wisely
Fellowship hour:	Deacons - Back-to-School Picnic 8/9—Jeri Griffith, Jan McConnell & Pam Wesley
In the office:	August—Barb Runyon September – Barb Runyon

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

♥ Jeri Griffith, recuperating from emergency hernia surgery at Riverview Hospital.

♥ Larry Grabb, at Hines VA Rehab hospital to help him function more independently.

♥ Tim Nash, in ICU at Riverview Hospital.

♥ 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

Barbara Landes

Verna Merrell

Carol Stough—The Crossings of Noblesville

Dorothy Etchison—Independence Village

Joe McGinley – Hamilton Trace

Rachel Morgan



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Ken Locke, Interim Pastor

AUGUST 2, 2026
10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SESSION		DEACONS
Laurie Szabo	Christian Education	Anne Burress
Barb Runyon	Evangelism	Jill Casper
Mark Wisely	Finance	Cheryl Ditzler
Jennie Auble	Mission	Brenda Christian
Bob Moore	Planning	Clint Gingerich
Peggy Deakyne	Personnel /Nom.	Andrea Joines
Steve Runyon	Properties	Linda Melton
Rick Mayhew	Worship	Gail Ratliff
Karen McCord	Clerk	Robin Rufatto
Ken Locke	Moderator	Quinn Teague
		Debbie Wilson

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
AUGUST 2, 2026

10TH 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 Paul Auble, AGAPE

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE Cheryl Mayhew, Organist
” Meditation On a Scottish Hymn” Stewart Landon

† CALL TO WORSHIP Lay Leader: Gail Ratliff
L: God is great and greatly to be praised;
P: There is no end to God’s greatness.
L: God’s kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
P: God’s dominion endures throughout all ages. As one body, we praise and worship the one God of all that was, that is, and ever shall be!

† OPENING HYMN “God of Grace and God of Glory” #435

† CALL TO CONFESSION
L: When we call out to God, God answers.
P: Even when our steps stray from God’s path, even when our feet slip, God listens to us and answers our prayers.
L: With complete confidence that God is listening, let us offer our prayer of confession.

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION
L: Generous God, you freely offer us all we need.
P: You offer us the bread of life, so we may never be hungry again. You offer us living water, so we will never thirst.
L: But we scoff at your gifts, wasting our money, time, and energy on things that do not satisfy.
P: Forgive us and call us again, reminding us of your gifts of new life that are ours if we would only accept them. God, forgive us. Lord, hear our prayer.
(Time for Silent Confession)

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE
L: Beloved, incline your ear, listen: God has made an everlasting covenant with us.
P: God forgives us, renews us, refreshes us, and leads us onward. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

† 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 “Children of the Heavenly Father” Warren Femling
(Karoline W. Sanell-Berg)

God’s Word is Proclaimed

TIME WITH CHILDREN Promotion Sunday
(Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

SCRIPTURE READING
Scripture Lesson: **Genesis 32:22–31** Old Testament pg. 30

SERMON “Up Close & Personal!” Pastor Ken Locke

We Respond to God’s Word

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
Prayer of Thanksgiving
L: The Lord be with you.
P: And also with you.
L: Let us lift up our hearts.
P: We lift them up to the Lord.
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
L: Holy God, we praise you. Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad. We bless you for creating the whole world, for your promises to your people Israel, and for Jesus Christ in whom your fullness dwells.

P: Born of Mary, he shares our life. Eating with sinners, he welcomes us. Guiding his children he leads us. Visiting the sick, he heals us. Dying on the cross, he saves us. Risen from the dead, he gives new life. Living with you, he prays for us.

L: With thanksgiving we take this bread and cup and proclaim the death and resurrection of our Lord.
Receive our sacrifice of praise. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that this may be a communion in the body and blood of our Lord.

P: Make us one with Christ, and with all who share this feast, that we may commune with unseen brothers and sisters across time and distance, that we may know what it is to live the new life of your resurrection.

L: Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us with love, that we may serve as your faithful disciples until we feast at your table in glory.

P: We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh, in the holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Words of Institution
Communion of the People
-Servers: Mark Wisely, Robin Rufatto, Sue Jourdan, Pam Layman
Closing 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

OFFERING
OFFERTORY “How Firm a Foundation” George Blake
† 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 “How Firm a Foundation” #408

† BENEDICTION
L: Let all God’s people say,
P: Alleluia, Amen!

POSTLUDE “Short Postlude in F” 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.

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 32:22–31
²²The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob’s hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, ‘Let me go, for the day is breaking.’ But Jacob said, ‘I will not let you go, unless you bless me.’ ²⁷So he said to him, ‘What is your name?’ And he said, ‘Jacob.’ ²⁸Then the man said, ‘You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.’ ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, ‘Please tell me your name.’ But he said, ‘Why is it that you ask my name?’ And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, ‘For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.’ ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.