

December 2025 Income/Expense Report

	2025 Budget	2025 Actual
Income Received:	\$322,081	\$327,254,81
Expenses:	\$322,081	\$320,436.73
* (Deficit)/Surplus:		\$ 6,818,08

2025 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

2025 Contribution Statements are ready. If you are an Elder, Deacon or Church Staff, your statement will be in your mailbox located next to Janie's office. Additionally, **Robin Story will be in Fellowship Hall before and after Sunday Service on January 18th and 25th to deliver all others** so please stop by and see her (if she doesn't find you first) and get yours. **Those not picked up by the 25th will be mailed.**

2026 GIVING ENVELOPES

The 2026 giving envelopes are now available by the back door on the table. Please take only one book per family.

2026 PER CAPITA REMINDER

As a member of First Presbyterian Church, we are required by the Presbytery of Whitewater Valley to pay annual per capita dues each year per member. **For 2026, that amount is \$46.02 per member.** The per capita is our shared gift providing primary support of the operating ministry of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly. These are dues that we are required to pay and it is an **expense that equates to approximately \$12,000 each year from our operating budget** receiving only about 25% from members. We pay these dues in March whether the money has been received by our members or not. **If you could faithfully pay your portion of the per capita by March 1st, that would be greatly appreciated.** If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Robin.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL...

This week we will discuss & review the OLD & NEW Testament time line from "THE STORY" by Max Lucado & Randy Frazee

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEONS

The FPC men's luncheons are the 2nd Monday of each month 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 sacraig071347@gmail.com. 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 FPC women's luncheons are the 3rd Monday of each month 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.**

JANUARY 18 THROUGH JANUARY 25, 2026

Today	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour
Monday		
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Westminster Circle
	7:00 pm	SESSION
Wednesday	8:30 am	Women's GBR Reunion Group
	8:30 am	Men's GBR 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

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Today's Fellowship Hour is hosted by the Adult Sunday School class. Your **help would be greatly appreciated in the coming weeks and months, so please sign up to take a turn.** If you have any questions, please ask Catherine Byrnside.

SEND IN YOUR PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send your prayer requests to the office: (secretary@fpc-noblesville.org) by 3:00 pm on Thursdays.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING...

The Annual Congregational meeting is set for **January 25th** immediately following the worship service. Please plan to join us for this. And those reporting need to **submit their reports to the office no later than Friday, January 16th.** Thank you.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Ken Locke, Interim Pastor

JANUARY 18, 2026

SESSION

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

DEACONS

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

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

- ♥ **Don Bellis**, receiving hospice care at home.
- ♥ **Rachel Morgan**, recuperating at home following knee replacement surgery.
- ♥ **Joni McConnell**, sister-in-law of Jan McConnell, recuperating from a heart catheterization.

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

Wendy Bittle	Dorothy Etchison—Independence Village
Ray Faust—Harbor Manor	Barbara Landes
Carolyn & Joe McGinley – Hamilton Trace	
Verna Merrell	Rachel Morgan
Carol Stough—Five Star Residences of Noblesville	



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
JANUARY 18, 2026

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

"Higher Ground"

Cheryl Mayhew, organist
Arr. by Myra Schubert

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Lay Leader: Paul Auble

L: To those who want to follow him, Jesus asks, "What are you seeking?"

P: Teacher, we are not seeking worldly power, but a better way to live.

L: Jesus asks, "What are you seeking?"

P: Teacher, we are not seeking worldly wealth, nor the prizes of paradise, but simply to be with you.

L: Jesus asks, "What are you seeking?"

P: Teacher, we are not seeking worldly praise or fame, only that you call us by name.

All: Teacher, guide our worship so that we may always follow you more closely.

Amen.

† OPENING HYMN

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

#435

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God of the ages, we do not always wait with patience. We do not always sing your praises or recognize your work in our lives. We would rather take the credit for ourselves. We would rather take the easy way out. We would rather step on others if it means more for ourselves.

Forgive us for all the ways we forget you. Help us delight in doing your will. Help us to trust in you and return us to the path of righteousness.

God, forgive us. Lord, hear our prayer.

† WORDS OF ASSURANCE (responsive)

L: The Lamb of God takes away the sins of the world.

P: The Lamb of God takes away the sins of each and every one of us.

L: Beloved, Christ has mercy on us, forgiving our sins.

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

† 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.

words on screen

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS

Elders: Steve Runyon, Laurie Szabo

Deacons: Cheryl Ditzler, Linda Melton, Jill Casper, Debbie Wilson, Quinn Teague

a. Do we, the members of the church, accept Steve Runyon, Laurie Szabo, Cheryl Ditzler, Linda Melton, Jill Casper, Debbie Wilson & Quinn Teague as ruling elders or deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

b. Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Classic Praise"
(arr. Benjamin Harlan)

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

Pastor Ken Locke

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 "Does Jesus Care?"

Stewart Landon

† Doxology

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

"Be Still, My Soul"

#712

MESSAGE

"What Are You Looking For?"

Pastor Ken Locke

1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

† CLOSING HYMN

"Rise Up, O Church of God"

#433

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Greatness Medley"

Arr. by Don Wyrzten

†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 & MESSAGE NOTES

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

²To the church of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours:

³Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I always thank my God for you because of his grace given you in Christ Jesus. ⁵For in him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge—⁶God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. ⁷Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. ⁸He will also keep you firm to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

John 1:29-42

²⁹The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!" ³⁰This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' ³¹I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel."

³²Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. ³³And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' ³⁴I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One."

³⁵The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. ³⁶When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!"

³⁷When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. ³⁸Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?"

³⁹ "Come," he replied, "and you will see."

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

⁴⁰Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. ⁴¹The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). ⁴²And he brought him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter).