

E-Blast News

August 16, 2026– August 23, 2026

Dear Saints,

I am grateful for the return of the rains in Florida. Our grass was browning and shrubs wilting. Now all appears healthy. I am also grateful because it reminds me of my upbringing in the foothills of the Himalayan mountains. There the monsoon came with one or two powerful storms and then it rained daily for several [months](#). So much rain fell that ferns grew on the side and branches of tall trees and dry springs became torrents and an umbrella was so often needed everyone carried one and sometimes we were surprised to discover it in our hands. We didn't really have flat fields in the mountains and I really enjoy the flooded fields I see driving back and forth to the church. God's abundant provision of rain to meet our needs.

I look forward to seeing you Sunday,

Will

A treasurer's request

All general offerings should be a separate check by itself to the church. Any other offerings such as Per Capita, Christmas Joy, or Samaritan's Purse can be on one check. This is so your donations can be correctly and accurately tracked.

Thank you,

Edward, Treasurer

August card class

The August card class will take place in the church office at 10:00 a.m. this Tuesday, August 18, 2026.

If you plan to attend, please either call or text Edie Wildt at 863-558-2155 or see Edie at church. Come and join the fun, fellowship, and creativity. We hope to see you there. For those who are interested, we usually go to lunch at My Shelly's after class.

Greetings from the Anderman's

Dear friends at Arcadia FPC:

We surely do miss our friends at AFPC !! We have gotten to the point where we can no longer care for ourselves, so we have moved down to Princeton with our son where we have lots of help with people who have much medical knowledge and who can drive us to our doctor appointments.



Tom is having a lot of back pain along with his knee which makes him unable or nearly unable to put any weight on that leg. I've had mega issues also, but was finally able to have my gall bladder surgery. The stress has caused me to drop from 130 to 112 pounds in 3 months! But it is what it is, and we just have to make adjustments.

We really regretted having to move from Mora where we both grew up, and were in our FPC since childhood! Lots of big changes— the first being that we both had had our own bathrooms and now we have to share with two other people besides ourselves! Not to complain, but they packed our things and with the weather being so unbearably hot and not being able to be out in the shed with my COPD, I can't find a lot of stuff— a lot of which I have to get rid of anyway!

We surely do appreciate receiving the weekly bulletins and E-Blasts to keep us up on what's going on down there, plus getting the greeting cards. Keep them coming!

Love in Christ,

Tom and Arlene Anderman

Look what's coming...

Sunday	August 16	10:30 Choir practice 11:15 Worship Service Collection 4 Needy
Monday	August 17	5:30 Session meeting
Tuesday	August 18	10:00 Card Class
Wednesday	August 19	12:30 Bible study
Friday		No Men's luncheon Will resume in September.
Sunday	August 23	10:30 Choir practice 11:15 Worship Service

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church of Arcadia, we would love to have you do so.
Please speak with Rev. Dr. Will Browne or Clerk of Session Mitzie McGavic

Contact information

Homebound members' addresses

For those sending cards...

Jackie Combs	9408 Rochester Rd., Minerva, OH 44657
Peggy Dees	1346 NE Hansel Ave., Arcadia, FL 34266
Norma Fisher	1013 E. Gibson St., Arcadia, FL 34266
MaryAnn Treadwell	11741 Lake Aston Court, Apt 113, Tampa, FL 33626
Skip & Terry West	1224 SW Scott Dr., Arcadia, FL 34266

Military

CM1 Ryan Maassen	13972 Shields Bridge Rd., Belle Haven, VA 23306
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Church prayer list

FPC - MEMBERS: Becky Delahunty, Brian Harris, Jackie Harris.

FPC - FAMILY/ FRIENDS: Charlaine Adams, Dan Bailey, Debbie Collins, Esther Harvell, Ernie Hewett, Donna Jones, Lisa Letson, Pastor Sam Letson, Sally McSwain, family of Linda Sue Marsh, Amanda Nunez, Julie Nunez, Sharon Shatney and Cindy Trawick.

FPC - CONTINUING CONCERN: Ellen Abraham, Tom & Arlene Anderman, Barbara Bennett, Joan Brady, Marsha Browning, Shirley Cullom, Peggy Dees, Mary Dow, Sue Fender, Earl & Kay Frierson, Jane Hayward, Gina Green, David Kersey, Ted Land, Jimmy Lanier, Greg, Heidi, Susie Lepianka, Jill Logan, Keith Markey, Cary Mercer, Dan & Gail Morgan, Kenny O'Neal, Judy Onofri, Jim Reinhart, Stephanie Rohling, Gene Scott, Robert & Judy Smith, Emmie Titus, MaryAnn Treadwell, Debbie Webb, Terry West, Margaret White and Laurie York.

MILITARY LIST: Julian Davis, U.S. Army Medical Corps; Sean Davis, U.S. Army Medical Corps; E6 Curtis Johnson, U.S. Navy Medical Corps; CM1 Ryan Maassen, U.S. Navy Seabees ; Airman Roland Phelps.

Missions at work

Bill's Paper Angels

Collection for Bill's Paper Angels is the 1st Sunday of the month.

Sept. 6 (next collection date) Aug. 24 (next distribution date)

NEEDED: plastic grocery bags

Arcadia Center for the Needy

Collection for Arcadia Center for the Needy is the 3rd Sunday of each month.

Next collection date: September 20, 2026

NOTE: You may donate at any time. If donating by envelope, please put Arcadia Center for the Needy in the memo section. We also collect cans with pop up tops. These can be dropped off at the office.

Church information

Attendance/Offering

Attendance: 24

Offering: 07-26-26-\$3,150.00

Offering: 08-02-26-\$2,892.00

Offering: 08-09-26-\$2,221.00

Viewed on Facebook:18

Year to Date: **\$84,184.44**

Session

2026: Jeff Adams, Ellie Sutphin, David Maassen, Don Knoche

2027: Jackie Harris, Donnie Knoche, Tyler Maassen, Edith Wildt

2028: Dave Bremer, Becky Delahunty, Sue Maassen, Mitzie McGavic

Catch us on Facebook

Be sure to sign up for our Facebook page and **like** our page.

Also, visit our website www.firstpc.church we have information, pictures, services that you can listen to if you can't make it to church. If you have questions, or problems call the office. 863-494-4434.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WEBSITE

Type in www.firstpc.church

Celebrations



August birthdays

August 1—Jackie Combs, Sandra Welles

August 2—Conor Daniels

August 4—Lovinia Jiskoot, Tara Jones

August 6—Berkley Latimer

August 7—Terry Presson

August 9—Kim Halvorson

August 13—Judy Kirkpatrick

August 14—Hailey Biddle, Nancy Ambler

August 16 —Johnny Maassen, Myra Kirkpatrick

August 25 —Chloe Knoche

August 28—Sue Maassen