

E-Blast News

October 29, 2025 – November 2, 2025

Dear Saints of FPC,

I had lost track of my calendar for this year. One of the most significant Sundays for me is this coming Sunday. It is Reformation Sunday when we celebrate the formation of the protestant churches. There is a lot to be said about the Protestant faith and the history of the Reformed movement (of which we Presbyterians are a part.)

This year what strikes me is that we are a church that focuses on, leans into, and lifts up the grace of God given to us in our Lord Jesus Christ. 'Grace' is, of course, not something we own but something we share with Christians of every sort around the world. We are a church seeking to major in grace - to depend on it and love it and share it and live it and, in great gratitude and humility to accept it.

Come and worship with us the Sunday as we remember and celebrate who God has called us to be.

Yours in Christ's Service

Will

We have no control over grace. It is God's grace not ours, and it comes on God's terms.

Card-making class

If you enjoy crafting & fellowship with friends, mark your calendar for Tuesday, Nov. 18th at 10 am, when we will be having a card-making class in the church office. For those who are interested, we will go to lunch after class at MyShelly's restaurant.

During the class each person will be able to make 2 cards, a fall/Thanksgiving card and a Christmas card. I will have the needed items for each card in packets, so it will be easy to stay organized. I will also give you directions as to how to put the cards together.

If you are planning to attend the card-making class, I need you to call or text me (863-558-2155) no later than Friday, Nov. 14th, so I will have time to make up the packets.

I look forward to a morning of fun, and hope we have a good turnout.

Sincerely,

Edie Wildt

Thanksgiving Baskets



Please help us help those in need.

Each family will receive a **\$25 gift card** for a turkey/ham/ pie of choice

**Nov 2: 1-2 boxes of each: Stuffing mix, Instant Potatoes
1-2 cans of Sweet Potatoes**

**Nov. 9: 1-2 cans cranberry sauce
1-2 cans of green beans**

Nov. 16: 1-2 packages pre-cooked dinner rolls

If you would rather donate, please add **Thanksgiving** to memo on your check. For cash use

the brown envelopes in the pew and mark **Thanksgiving** on the outside.

Thanksgiving Baskets will be distributed on Monday, November 24th from 9 am -12 pm.

Due to the large number of families that we will be helping, please just buy from the list above.

EBlast requests

Please turn in requests for inclusion in the EBlast by Wednesday of the week it will appear. We want to include your requests

Church Prayer List

FPC MEMBERS:

Tom and Arlene Anderman, Jean Borsmann, Shirley Cullom, MaryAnn Treadwell, and Terry West.

FPC – FAMILY / FRIENDS

Bobby & Charlaine Adams, Diane Brantley, Kathy Borsmann, Marsha Browning, Mary Dow, Emerson, Michele Ehret, Sue Fender, Earl & Kay Frierson, Kathy Gamiotea, Verna Haynes, Family of Vivian Ann Johnson, Donna Jones, Jimmy Lanier, Lisa Letson, Jill Logan, Keith Markey, Kenny O'Neal, Judy Onofri, Gabriel Quave, Jim Reinhart, Stephanie Purvis Rohling, Bob & Pam Simmons, Tina Turzio, Margaret White, and Laurie York.

MILITARY LIST:

**Julian Davis U.S. Army Medical Corps.
Sean Davis U.S. Army Medical Corps.
Senior Airman Roland Phelps**

**E6 Curtis Johnson U.S. Navy Medical Corps.
CM1 Ryan Maassen U.S. Navy Seabees**

Look what's coming...

Sunday	Oct. 26	9:45 Adult Sunday school 10:30 Choir practice 11:15 Worship service
Wednesday	Oct. 28	12:30 Bible Study/Duplex 3:00 Handbell practice 4:00 Chancel Choir practice
Friday	Oct. 31	12:30 Men's luncheon @ Reef & Beef
Sunday	Nov. 2	9:45 Adult Sunday school 10:30 Choir practice 11:15 Worship service Paper Angels collection
Sunday	Nov. 9	9:45 Adult Sunday school 10:30 Choir practice 11:15 Worship Service Baptism /membership Congregational meeting

Contact information

Homebound members' addresses

For those sending cards...

Jackie Combs	9408 Rochester Rd., Minerva, OH 44657
Peggy Dees	2692 NE Hwy 70 #747, Arcadia, FL 34266
Norma Fisher	1013 E. Gibson St., Arcadia, FL 34266
MaryAnn Treadwell	11741 Lake Aston Court, Apt 113, Tampa, FL 33626
Frank & Terry West	1224 SW Scott Dr., Arcadia, FL 34266

Military

CM1 Ryan Maassen	13972 Shields Bridge Rd., Belle Haven, VA
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Missions at work

Bill's Paper Angels

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

November 2 (next collection date) November 3 (next distribution date)

NEEDED: plastic grocery bags. If you can spare some, please bring them to the church office or Sunday to church.

Arcadia Center for the Needy

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

Next collection dates

November 16 and December 21

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.

Celebrations



October birthdays

Oct. 4 Rodney Hollingsworth
Oct. 8 John Burtscher
Oct. 14 Layfe Jiskoot, Mac Martin
Oct. 19 Mike Cooley

Oct. 20 Cassie Lawrence
Oct. 21 Terry West
Oct. 24 Eden Esposito
Oct. 29 Ann Pepper

Church Information

Attendance/Offering

Attendance Last Sunday: 35

Via Facebook: 48

Offering Last Sunday: \$3,665.00

Year to Date: \$ 146,913.62

Contact information

First Presbyterian Church
20 N. Orange Ave.
Arcadia, FL 34266

Rev. Dr. Will Browne
941-928-7504
863-494-4434

Office Hours: 9:00 am-3:00 pm
Closed 12-1 for lunch

Session

2025: Dave Bremer, Jill Maassen, Mac Martin, Terry Presson

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

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

Catch us on Facebook

Be sure to sign up for our Facebook page and **like** our page. Each day we post a scripture verse and we put up live services and events. We post pictures as well.

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 give me a call at the office. 863-494-4434.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR WEBSITE

1. Type in www.firstpc.church
2. You will see the sermon on the main page now so just click on it.