

E-Blast News

February 22, 2026– March 1, 2026

Dear Saints,

One of the scriptures for this Sunday's worship is Psalm 121.

It is a classical psalm of comfort. It was one of those listed on the flyleaf of my Grandfather Campbell's Bible. That flyleaf added a list of the psalms he most frequently used when his congregation needed a connection to God's comfort. It was also a psalm to which he himself turned when he needed words conveying God's comfort. The psalm begin with a question - "from where will my help come" - which is strongly answered in the other 7 verses of the psalm.

It continues with personal testimony - "my help comes in the name of the Lord" - but that Lord is further identified as the one who gives comfort and help and will never sleep on the job. Three times we are told that God will "keep" us: from sun and moon, from evil, and will preserve your life and every travel you make.

In Heather Sorenson's "Requiem" the comfort of Psalm 121 is joined with the comfort of Psalm 23 to become a 'requiem' composition. A requiem is designed to give comfort to a person in grief or loss - but the focus is not on the loss but on the comfort.

Please read Psalm 121 and Psalm 23 in preparation for Sunday's worship.

Yours in Christ's Service,

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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

Per Capita request

The Session is requesting each congregational member consider giving their fair share of the Presbytery's per Capita cost this year. What that covers is the Presbytery's expense to govern and provide missions to congregations in their Presbytery.

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Ellen Davis Life Celebration

The celebration of life for Ellen Davis will be held on Saturday, April 18, 2026 from 2-5 P.M. at Arcadia Village. Her son Richard emphasized that everyone is invited. Her family will be there. At the celebration a slide show of her life will be shown. Food will be available.

I'm lost, please find me!

I am the embroidered white cloth for the communion table. My initials are **IHS**.

Unfortunately, I don't know when I left the church, and I don't know where I am.

If you have any information regarding my whereabouts, please call the church. I know I am out there somewhere.

Please Send Cards

Our former pastor, Ted Land, recently had knee surgery and is presently in a rehab facility in Marianna, FL where he and Polly live. Unfortunately, he has a staph infection and will need to have IV Antibiotic treatment twice daily.

Listed below is Ted and Polly's mailing address. He would greatly enjoy hearing from you all.

Ted & Polly Land
3618 Greenfield Dr.
Marianna, FL 32446

Shrove Tuesday, Big Success

Shrove Tuesday was a time of food and fun!



Over 100 people filled Pfrangle Hall for the annual pancake dinner. This was our third dinner with our partners from St. Edmund's Episcopal Church. The food was delicious and the fellowship unmatched.

At 3 pancakes and 2 sausages links per serving plus unlimited refills on pancakes, the kitchen cooks served up over 300 pancakes and 200 link sausages to grateful hungry attendees.

A special thank you to FPC's hostesses for the evening: Susan Head, Debi Maassen, Jill Maassen, Sue Maassen, Mitzie McGavic, Mary Presson, Ellie Sutphin, and Edie Wildt.

Thank you to all of you who supported this fun project by either buying tickets and/or coming to enjoy the food and fellowship.

Church Prayer List

FPC - MEMBERS: Tom & Arlene Anderman, Jean Borsmann, Shirley Cullom, Peggy Dees, Becky Delahunty, Jackie Harris, Vivien Lyszak, MaryAnn Treadwell and Terry West.

FPC – FAMILY / FRIENDS

Bobby & Charlaine Adams, Diane Brantley, Marsha Browning, Mary Dow, Michelle Ehret, Sue Fender, Earl & Kay Frierson, Kathy Gamiotea, Gina Green, Verna Haynes, Jane Hayward, Ernie Hewitt, Donna Jones, Ted Land, Jimmy Lanier, Greg, Heidi, and Hannah Lepianka, Lisa Letson, Jill Logan, Keith Markey, Cary Mercer, Dan & Gail Morgan, Tom & Sue Morgan, Kenny O'Neal, Judy Onofri, Dana Parrish, Gabriel Quave, Jim Reinhart, Stephanie Purvis Rohling, Gene Scott, Bob & Pam Simmons, Tina Turzio, Debbie Webb, 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 Sea

Look What's Coming...

Sunday	Mar. 1	9:45 Adult Sunday school 10:30 Choir practice 11:15 Communion Worship Service Bill's Paper Angels collection
Wednesday	Mar. 4	12:30 Bible study 3:00 Handbells practice 4:00 Choir practice
Friday	Mar. 6	12:30 Men's luncheon at Reef & Beef's
Sunday	Mar. 8	9:45 Adult Sunday school 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	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 23306
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Missions At Work

Bill's Paper Angels

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

March 1 (next collection date) February 23 (next distribution date)

NEEDED: plastic toothbrush holders any size and sanitary napkins

Arcadia Center for the Needy

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

Next collection date: March 15

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



March birthdays

Mar. 2– Jeff Adams

Mar. 5– Jean Borsmann

Mar. 9– Carol Treadwell

Mar. 15– Cayiden Gill

Mar. 18– Ellie Sutphin

Mar. 27– JoAnna Hewitt

Church Information

Attendance/Offering

Attendance last Sunday:38

Offering: 2-22-26 \$2478.70

Viewed on Facebook:18

Year to Date: **\$30,924.00**

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.

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Type in www.firstpc.church

You will see the sermon on the main page now, so just click on it.