

First Presbyterian Church of Valparaiso

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CALLED MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION SYNOPSIS OF NOVEMBER 15, 2020

Thank you to all who attended the Called Congregational Meeting via Zoom held on Sunday, November 15, following morning Worship. Your Clerk is getting up to speed with these Zoom meetings, but I am still sometimes having difficulty counting hands on multiple screens with multiple attendees! I was grateful for Membership Clerk Susan Grosick and Church Administrator Dawn Scarborough who helped with the count to determine that a quorum was present (it was!) and to tally votes on the various motions during the meeting.

As you know, the purpose of this called meeting was to elect an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (“APNC”). The Book of Order stipulates that it is the Congregation that must elect such a committee, and the committee is directly responsible to the Congregation. This is not something that Session alone can do.

On October 18, Jim Hubbard, Moderator of the Discernment Team, presented a video report detailing the process and the results of their research into future staffing needs at FPC Valpo. The recommendation of this team was to proceed with the selection of an APNC; therefore, your Session voted to do just that and directed the Congregational Nominating Committee to designate such a committee. (If you have not seen Jim’s report, you are encouraged to check it out on the church website, fpcvalpo.org. Click on the October 18 Worship service; Jim’s report comes toward the beginning of this service.)

Elder Andrea Phillips, Moderator of the Congregational Nominating Committee, presented the following names for the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee:

- Fred Grosick
- Cathy Greenawald
- Jim Hubbard
- Carolyn Hughes
- Bob Marrs
- Lauren Phillips
- Rose Ross

During the meeting, there were no nominations from the floor, but there was an opportunity for discussion. A concern was raised that perhaps more representation on the committee from younger members might be advisable in order to have a broader representation of our congregation, especially of our youth and youth programs. It was pointed out that one of the nominees is a high school student; another is a mother of four children in our youth programs; and another is the former pre-confirmation class teacher of more than a decade. It was also noted that *all* nominees are interested in and concerned with our youth and youth activities. Another consideration mentioned was the fact that these nominees are all making a significant time commitment. The process will likely take between 18 months and three years before an Associate Pastor might be called *if the mission study that is required determines that we in fact actually need someone in this position.*

At the conclusion of the discussion, the decision was unanimous to elect these individuals to serve on the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee. They will now begin the process and will be reporting back to you the Congregation on a regular basis. If you have any thoughts, concerns, or questions, feel free to contact any of them at any time; they will be more than happy to bring you up to date on the status of their work.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hollar, Clerk of Session

SESSION MEETING SYNOPSIS OF NOVEMBER 18, 2020

November Session meetings are always bittersweet. This was the final meeting for the four members of the Class of 2020 who have served faithfully for three years, the last of which has been a year like no other! Recognizing and celebrating Elders Brad Dirks, Elizabeth Monroe, Andrea Phillips, and Chip Wilkes was a highlight, and each reflected on their ministries as officers, and each was honored, celebrated, and affirmed for their invaluable contributions to FPC Valpo. Being an elder is not always easy, and that has been especially true for these four. They have served during challenges of the departure of two pastors; an interim during which they provided leadership without a pastor; the arrival of a new pastor; and a worldwide pandemic! Yet led by the Holy Spirit, their leadership and guidance have helped us all meet these challenges so that we continue to move forward and thrive. Although thanking them in person isn't possible just now, sending one or all of these officers an email or a short note of thanks for their dedication and their ministry would be an appropriate gesture!

Traditionally, Session adopts the Operating Budget for the following year at this last meeting of the current year. Due to the pandemic, however, there has been a delay in receiving members' pledges and therefore there are still questions pertaining to next year's budget. Team Moderators have been asked to re-examine their financial requests and re-submit these to the Finance Team by the first week in December when hopefully remaining outstanding pledges will have been received. This should enable the Finance Team to craft a realistic budget for 2021.

Elder Kim Croarkin, who will be Moderator of the newly created Matthew 25 Team, provided an update. She is in the process of forming the team and beginning to narrow the focus for the church's outreach in connecting with our community. As has been mentioned in recent sermons on Matthew 25, FPC Valpo hopes to live out the scripture by becoming "a more relevant presence in the world and be a church of action where God's love, justice, and mercy shine forth."

In addition, several other topics were discussed, including:

- Finance Team announced that the **2019 Audit** (which was conducted by our own Ralph Pollaro ~ thank you, again, Ralph!) indicates that the books/finances are complete and in good working order, with no issues. Thank you, also, to Treasurer Ruth Dickey and Business Manager Beverlee Frazee for making that happen!
- There will be Mid-week Worship on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. during Advent including the serving of Communion. In addition, Communion will be served at the 7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service.
- Elder Matthew Byerly shared reflections from the Zoom November Presbytery Assembly meeting.
- Elders discussed their responsibilities as outlined in the Book of Order, including providing a place (or space?) for worship; providing for the administration of the Sacraments; and nurturing the membership (and especially what it actually means for someone to be a member of our congregation).
- Personnel Team reported that following the required annual review of staff, we can be confident that we have "Really Good People" working for FPC! All reviews were outstanding, and the caliber of our personnel is exceptional.
- In correspondence, the Clerk shared a document from Presbytery recommending that churches remain closed for worship due to the rapidly deteriorating COVID-19 situation.

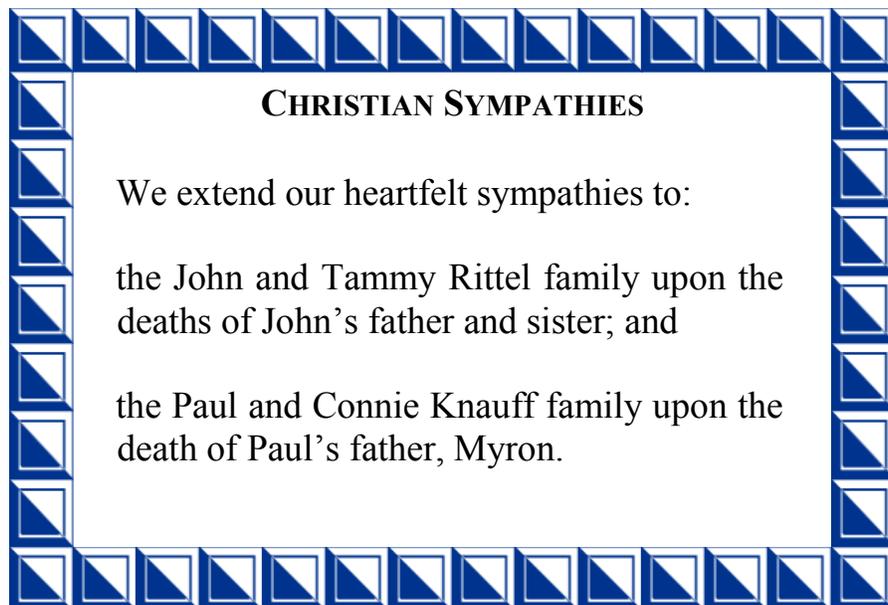
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- **The Zoom Annual Meeting of the Congregation** has been called for January 31, 2021, for the purpose of receiving the 2020 Annual Report and the 2021 Operating Budget; presenting the names of officers for the Corporation as elected by Session; approving the Terms of Call; and receiving the report of the Congregational Nominating Committee on the Members-at-Large nominations for the 2021 Congregational Nominating Committee.

If you would like more information, please read the detailed minutes which will be *posted in the glass-enclosed announcement board* in the Hospitality Center once they are approved (and we are allowed back into the church!). **In the meantime**, please contact any of the Elders and/or the Clerk if you have questions or are interested in further details.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hollar, Clerk



AN ADVENT WORSHIP EXPERIENCE



*From Socially Distant Lands, Our Hearts Still
Seek the Savior: An Advent Worship Experience*

Wednesday Evenings through Advent
7:00pm-7:30pm

Connect with our worshipping community
via Zoom. The service will be available to
stream on Facebook at a later time/date.

Email kencrews@fpcvalpo.org to
RSVP for a Zoom invitation.

Join First Presbyterian Church Valparaiso on Zoom Wednesdays at 7:00pm during Advent for a brief service of worship, reflection, and Communion. Explore the traditional Advent themes of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love using Illustrated Ministry's "Do Not Be Afraid" Advent devotional as our guide.

HOPE TO SEE YOU AT THE ADVENT WORSHIP EXPERIENCE ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. (CST)

Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. (CST)

Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. (CST)

Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. (CST)

RSVP to Ken Crews: kencrews@fpcvalpo.org

Please note that an invitation link is needed to join the Advent Worship Experience on Zoom.

Pastor Kim invites all to the communion table in your home by bringing a piece of bread/cracker and a cup of juice/wine or whatever common elements you have to celebrate communion.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

**JOIN US FOR THE
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AT 7:00 P.M. (CST)
ON
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2020
VIA FACEBOOK LIVE, FPC WEBSITE AND FPC YOUTUBE CHANNEL**

THE CHRIST CANDLE WILL BE LIT.

7:00 p.m. Worship – Lessons, Carols and Candlelight with Communion

Pastor Kim invites all to the communion table in your home by bringing a piece of bread/cracker and a cup of juice/wine or whatever common elements you have to celebrate communion; and to have a candle to light at home during the Christmas Eve service.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

You make a difference.

**Thank you
for your continued
support.**



American Red Cross

BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS

First Presbyterian Church

November 22, 2020

Registered Donors = 40

First-time Donors = 4

Total Pints Collected = 43

Each blood donation can save up to three lives;
therefore, the 43 pints collected, will have a far-reaching impact.

**Your support will go a long way toward replenishing
blood supplies and ultimately saving lives!**

RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT

In March 2018, Mackinnon, now 3, was in the hospital due to a rare birth defect in his small intestine. He lost a great deal of blood very quickly and required emergency surgery, but first he needed to be stabilized with the help of blood transfusions. Mackinnon waited 12 long hours for the first of two blood transfusions, after which he was able to undergo surgery.

Today, Mackinnon is a happy and healthy little boy thanks to volunteer blood donors. “Someone else allowed this all to be possible ... someone else realized that other people matter,” said his mother, Heather.

Thank you for your steadfast support of our lifesaving mission!

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE NEWS – VIRTUAL HOT COCOA HOUR!

Join FPCV Friends and Family
Via Zoom

for Virtual Hot Cocoa Hour!
Sunday, December 6th
Immediately following 10 a.m. Worship

*Congregational Life will supply the mug and the
cocoa, you supply the fun and fellowship!* Hot
cocoa mugs will be available for no-contact
pickup

at First Presbyterian Church Valpo
on Sat., December 5th, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Questions or RSVP for Virtual Hot Cocoa
Hour andrealynn1977@hotmail.com

or

kencrews@fpcvalpo.org

Please note the above event will be a drive-through no-contact pickup process; it is not necessary to get out of your vehicle.

ALL ARE WELCOME AT THE TABLE

COMMUNION SUNDAY
IS
DECEMBER 6, 2020



We will celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion on Sunday on December 6, 2020, during the online worship service (via Facebook Live/FPC website/FPC Youtube channel) at 10:00 a.m. Pastor Kim invites all to the communion table in your home by bringing a piece of bread/cracker and a cup of juice/wine or whatever common elements you have to celebrate communion. This way, our faith community can be joined together for the sacrament even though we are physically apart.

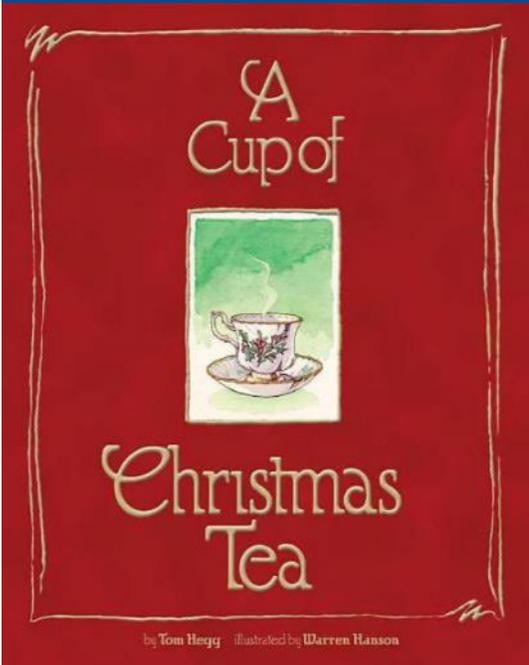
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION JANUARY 31, 2021 VIA ZOOM

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A Zoom invitation will be sent to members via email on Thursday, January 28, 2021. If you are a member and do not receive an invitation via email, please contact the church office at churchoffice@fpcvalpo.org or 219-464-4985. ***Please note: a Zoom invitation is needed to access the meeting.***

If you have any questions regarding the process, please contact Clerk of Session Judy Hollar at jbhollar49@gmail.com.

DEACONS' DOINGS



The Deacons would like to recommend the book [A Cup of Christmas Tea](#) by Tom Hegg for this holiday season. It is a book about a nephew's visit to an elderly great-aunt at Christmastime bringing him memories of past holidays and the realization of how the human spirit can triumph over adversity. Please recall the treasured memories of Christmas past, and though we are not sure what this Christmas will look like, we know it brings the hope of CHRIST!

If you know of anyone who would appreciate an Advent Bag from the Deacons, please feel free to let us know. Contact Phyllis Crews at (219) 759-1765 or Catherine Busch at cmbusch03@gmail.com. We would be happy to deliver some holiday cheer. These will be delivered at the beginning of December along with a small plant. We will be adhering to the rules of visitation for the facilities where Deacon Friends are living, or if at their own residences, we will take all Covid precautions. At this time, we are anticipating contactless delivery. A huge thanks to Phyllis Crews for coordinating this ministry!

If you desire prayer support for yourself or loved ones, don't hesitate to contact the Prayer Warriors through the Prayer and Praise Ministry chain. Please contact Beth Germann at bcgermann@gmail.com or (219) 477-9964.

A huge thank you to the outgoing Deacons for all they have done, especially during this year of pandemic: Catherine Busch who served as Moderator, Mike Becker, Dan Higgins and Paul Knauff who served on a one-year term due to a vacancy. Welcome to the new class of Deacons starting in January: Cathy Greenawald, Bob Marris, Linda Marris and Cindy Robinson. Nancy Porter will be the Moderator of the Deacons for the upcoming year. Thanks for saying 'yes' to serve!

Spread the Light. Be the Light. Matthew 5:14

Merry Christmas,
The Deacons

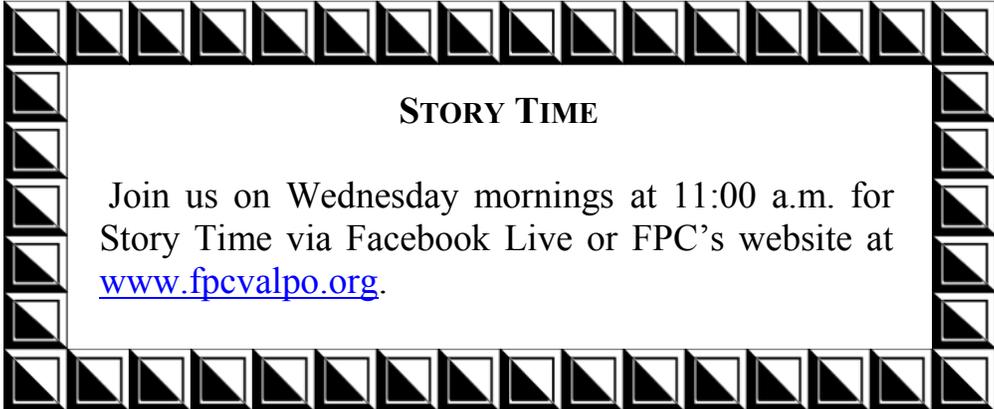


FORGIVE

By Joanna Fuchs

Forgive someone. Today forgive.
Turn from bitter to positive.
End frustration, anger, pain;
Wash the anguish from your brain.

No need to reconcile or tell;
Just feel better and get well.
A brand new, peaceful life to live,
That's your gift, when you forgive.



STORY TIME

Join us on Wednesday mornings at 11:00 a.m. for
Story Time via Facebook Live or FPC's website at
www.fpcvalpo.org.

DECEMBER CALENDAR

Tuesday, December 01, 2020

1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Via Zoom
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Wednesday, December 02, 2020

11:00 AM	Story Time	Facebook Live / FPC Website / FPC YouTube Channel
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7:00 PM	Advent Worship Service*	Via Zoom
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Thursday, December 03, 2020

10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	Via Zoom
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Friday, December 04, 2020

Saturday, December 05, 2020

Sunday, December 06, 2020

10:00 AM	Online Worship Service	Facebook Live / FPC Website / FPC YouTube Channel
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11:00 AM	Virtual Hot Cocoa Hour	Via Zoom
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Monday, December 07, 2020

Tuesday, December 08, 2020

1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Via Zoom
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6:00 PM	(TBC) Prayer Group - Leila	Via Zoom
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6:30 PM	Mission Team	Via Zoom
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Wednesday, December 09, 2020

11:00 AM	Story Time	Facebook Live / FPC Website / FPC YouTube Channel
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7:00 PM	Advent Worship Service*	Via Zoom
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Thursday, December 10, 2020

10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	Via Zoom
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Friday, December 11, 2020

Saturday, December 12, 2020

**denotes please contact Ken Crews at kencrews@fpcvalpo.org to RSVP and receive a Zoom invitation to the Advent Worship Service. The service will be available to stream on Facebook at a later time/date.*

DECEMBER CALENDAR, CONTINUED

Sunday, December 13, 2020	10:00 AM	Online Worship Service	Facebook Live / FPC Website / FPC YouTube Channel
Monday, December 14, 2020	11:00 AM	Presbyterian Resale Shop Ministry	Off-site
Tuesday, December 15, 2020	1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Via Zoom
	5:00 PM	(TBC) Prayer Group - Pastor Nancy	Via Zoom
Wednesday, December 16, 2020	11:00 AM	Story Time	Facebook Live / FPC Website / FPC YouTube Channel
	7:00 PM	Advent Worship Service*	Via Zoom
Thursday, December 17, 2020	10:00 AM	The Comfort Stitchers	Via Zoom
Friday, December 18, 2020			
Saturday, December 19, 2020			
Sunday, December 20, 2020	10:00 AM	Online Worship Service	Facebook Live / FPC Website / FPC YouTube Channel
Monday, December 21, 2020			
Tuesday, December 22, 2020	1:30 PM	Bulletin Notes Meeting	Via Zoom
	5:00 PM	(TBC) Prayer Group - Andrea	Via Zoom
Wednesday, December 23, 2020	11:00 AM	Story Time	Facebook Live / FPC YouTube Channel / FPC Website
	7:00 PM	Advent Worship Service*	Via Zoom
Thursday, December 24, 2020 - Christmas Eve	7:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service	Facebook Live / FPC YouTube Channel / FPC Website
Friday, December 25, 2020 - Merry Christmas! - Church Office Closed			
Saturday, December 26, 2020			

**denotes please contact Ken Crews at kencrews@fpcvalpo.org to RSVP and receive a Zoom invitation to the Advent Worship Service. The service will be available to stream on Facebook at a later time/date.*

DECEMBER CALENDAR, CONTINUED

Sunday, December 27, 2020

10:00 AM

Online Worship Service

Facebook Live / FPC
Website / FPC YouTube
Channel

Monday, December 28, 2020 - Church Office Closed

Tuesday, December 29, 2020

1:30 PM

Bulletin Notes Meeting

Via Zoom

Wednesday, December 30, 2020

11:00 AM

Story Time

Facebook Live / FPC
Website / FPC YouTube
Channel

Thursday, December 31, 2020

10:00 AM

The Comfort Stitchers

Via Zoom

LITURGIST SCHEDULE

Dec. 6, 2020	Nathan Phillips
Dec. 13, 2020	Karen Vogelsang
Dec. 20, 2020	Jim Boys
Dec. 27, 2020	Vic Klancer

ADVENT WREATH CANDLIGHTERS

Nov. 29, 2020	Mike and Kim Croarkin
Dec. 6, 2020	Presbys
Dec. 13, 2020	Lawson Family
Dec. 20, 2020	Ken and Christine McAloon
Dec. 24, 2020	John and Tammy Rittel

LECTORS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE THURSDAY, DEC. 24, 2020

Elizabeth Monroe
Bruce Roth
David Spitler

KENYA REAL UPDATE

I don't know if I've told you this or not, but **YOU** have been instrumental in the completion of the eight new bathrooms at Calvary Hope School!

You have also prayed and given to complete our new, amazing kitchen! You took the Kitchen from a Big Idea into a real functioning way to feed over 200 kids!

Besides those two very important projects, **you** have given to get everything from walls, to floors, to ceilings, and even glass in the windows of the new ground floor Calvary Hope School!

Thank you! This progress is an answer to prayer and a gift from God. I've told you before that God is using you. Because you're allowing God to use you, amazing growth is happening. You are part of the work that God is doing!

This is a reason to celebrate for sure!

"Yes, the Lord has done amazing things for us! What joy!" Psalm 126:3

As with any growth, there is more to do. Electricity needs to be installed in the new classrooms. The next floor of the school to support more classes and an office for Eunice is next on the mandatory list.

We have no idea how this will come to be! What we do know is that God is faithful and “the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion. . .” (Philippians 1:6) Our prayer is that **you** will keep letting God use you to empower kids from the slums. Building a school that is stable and conducive to our children flourishing!

THANK YOU!

I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.”– Romans 15:13

Janet Myers

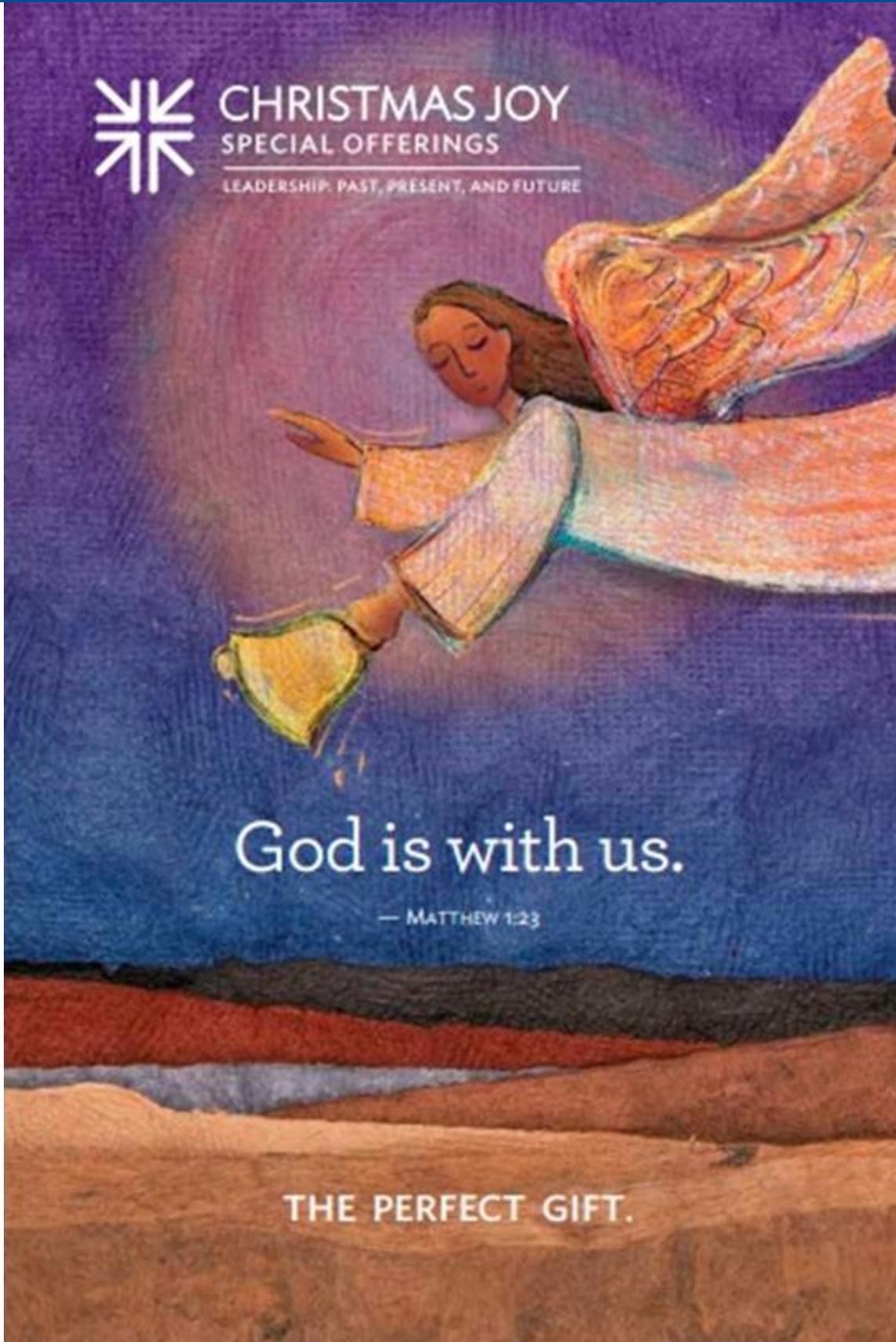
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PASTOR HENRY AND FRIENDS PICTURED ABOVE AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE CALVARY HOPE SCHOOL KITCHEN



FRONT OF CALVARY HOPE SCHOOL PICTURED ABOVE



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DECEMBER SECOND MILE OFFERING

Gifts for the Christmas Joy Offering will be received for the Second Mile Offering for December. Folks are welcome to send checks to First Presbyterian Church, 3401 N. Valparaiso Street, Valparaiso, IN 46383. Please include Christmas Joy Offering on the memo line.

God saw the great needs of the world and offered a perfect gift, a gift that brought God and humanity closer together. God’s perfect gift to us, Jesus Christ, offered the power of being with us. According to Matthew’s Gospel, one of the names given to Jesus is Emmanuel, which means, “God is with us.”

During these past months, many of us weren’t able to be together in person. But we have always been together in spirit, and in faith. God has been with us. And through our gifts to the Christmas Joy Offering, we are together with those who need our love and support.

Because God is with us, we see the potential of students of color who will become our leaders and we seek to come alongside them, to encourage them, to be with them.

[50% of your gifts make it possible for students to learn and grow in faith at Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color.]

Because God is with us, we see church workers who have critical financial needs and we come alongside them, to assist them—we are with them.

[50% of your gifts provide assistance for current and retired church workers and their families with critical financial needs.]



In 2015, Rose Bryant was at a crossroads in her life – a job she needed to support her and her son fell through due to her lack of a college degree. Discovering she could go back to college, and qualify for scholarships supported by the Christmas Joy Offering, changed everything. She found special joy as a member of Stillman’s renowned choir. She graduated in 2019 and is now an English and Language Arts teacher in Texas.

“I don’t think I would be here without the support of Stillman,” she said. “The amazing thing is that all of this has had a ripple effect. I was able to finish my goal because of the support I received, and I know of at least six people who came directly to me to find out how they could do the same, including my younger sister.”

The Christmas Joy Offering supports Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color like Stillman College in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.



The ripple effect that Rose speaks of starts when each of us does some small thing, such as giving a gift to the Christmas Joy Offering, the power of which grows stronger and stronger as it is passed along.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.



The Christmas Joy Offering reflects that God is with us, through the generous gifts that support church leaders among us, retired, present and future, who have pointed us to God. Even as we support our current and former church leaders through the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions, God is calling new leaders for our Church and world, through the ministry of Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color – offering students the means for a brighter future and enhanced opportunities to use their talents and skills to serve God, the Church and the world for years to come.

Bulletin Insert Source: <https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/resource/cj20-god-us/>



WHEN WE ALL DO A LITTLE, IT ADDS UP TO A LOT.

MISSION NEWS, CONTINUED

CHRISTIAN FOOD PANTRY

In October, one hundred sixty-two families were served which provided food for three hundred fifty-two people.

Donations have been generous as the number of items needed for the Thanksgiving holiday were met. Menu items were given out for Thanksgiving dinners in November. Thank you to all who helped meet the goal.

The basic food items are in fairly good supply; however, peanut butter, canned fruit, tuna and pork & beans or baked beans along with paper goods (toilet paper, tissues, and paper towels) are always needed. Now it is time to look forward to the Christmas giving.

Some of the items needed are sugar, coffees, teas, canned fruit and gelatin plus boxed potatoes – any kind – and gravy. Hams will be offered to go along with that menu. All donations of food items and money are greatly appreciated.

Happy safe holiday!

Nan (462-1619) and Sharon (464-1764)

MISSION NEWS, CONTINUED

The Mission Team realizes that the state lockdown will affect everyone differently. If there is a financial need that is causing you concern, please reach out to Ken McAlon, Lisa Pavlopoulos, Mission co-moderators, or Pastor Kim. There are funds available to help ease the stress during these trying times. Remember we are stronger together; and know that you are loved.

Stay safe,

Your Mission Team



RESALE SHOP NEWS

The Presbyterian Resale Shop is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This requires 40 to 50 volunteer hours per week to assist customers in the shop. But the work does not stop there! Volunteers give another 50 to 60 hours per week collecting, sorting, and pricing donations, cleaning and organizing the shop, scheduling workers, and managing this booming business. In a recent week over 100 bags and boxes of donations were received! All this work is being done by about 30 dedicated volunteers! If you would like to join the cause, please contact me.

In conjunction with the City of Valparaiso, we will be celebrating Holly Day on Saturday, December 5, 2020. The shop will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Please come downtown for some Christmas cheer, ice carving, live nativity, and support for our local businesses.

The Shop is always in need of plastic bags, especially large sizes. Please consider dropping your extra bags off during shop hours. Hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes and disposable masks are always welcome donations too!

Blessings and Merry Christmas to our volunteers and to our church family.

Mary Linda Scott
231-590-5799
nana6987@hotmail.com

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH'S MISSION STATEMENT:
Building Disciples; Growing in Faith; Serving in Christ's Name

FPC VALPARAISO IS A MATTHEW 25 CONGREGATION:



- **Building congregational vitality**
- **Dismantling structural racism**
- **Eradicating systemic poverty**

www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/matthew-25/

RESALE SHOP SCHEDULE 2020 SCHEDULE
SCHEDULER: MARY LINDA SCOTT (231) 590-5799

RESALE SHOP SCHEDULE
DECEMBER 2020
11 AM – 3 PM TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY
 Closed on Sundays and Mondays – 462-4281
www.firstpresbyterianresale.com

TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
1 Jan Bays Nancy Becker Dolly Trapp	2 Becky Bluhm Chris Hurd	3 Chiq Colton Linda Flory Pam Skaltsas	4 Sydney Briel Star Ruwersma	5 HOLLY DAY 10-6 Pam, Oxana, Catherine, Jan, Dolly, Cindy, Deb
8 Jan Bays Nancy Porter Dolly Trapp	9 Dorothy Ailes Kay Exley	10 Chiq Colton Star Ruwersma	11 Becky Bluhm Mary Brown	12 CHARITY DAY Becky Graham Abha Kapila Dolly Trapp
15 Mary Brown Pat Lane Dolly Trapp	16 Debbie Kelley Star Ruwersma	17 Becky Bluhm Chiq Colton	18 Debbie Kelley Karen Vogelsang	19 Sarah Greider Jacki Phillips Dolly Trapp
22 Debbie Kelley Star Ruwersma Dolly Trapp	23 Dorothy Ailes Kay Exley	24* CHRISTMAS EVE	25*  MERRY CHRISTMAS	26* CLOSED
29 Debbie Kelley Dolly Trapp Star Ruwersma	30 Chiq Colton Pam Skaltsas	31* NEW YEAR'S EVE	<i>*denotes shop closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, day after Christmas and New Year's Eve</i>	

PRESBYTERIAN RESALE SHOP MINISTRY

Co-moderators: Pam Skaltsas (219-252-3175)
 Debbie Kelley (239-565-2224)
 Karen Huguenard (219-309-3334)

Treasurer: Jan Bays
 Historian: Mary Jayne Shurr
 Secretary: Cindy Robinson
 Scheduler: Mary Linda Scott (231-590-5799)

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 EVERY TIME YOU VOLUNTEER!!!**

STORE MANAGER:
 Pam Skaltsas – (219) 252-3175

SCHEDULER:
 Mary Linda Scott – (231) 590-5799

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

December 1
Kathy Spittler

December 11
Nicole Arney

December 2
Andrew Adams
Robert Meyer
Susan Swarner

December 12
Tim Reyna

December 3
Gerrit Carlson

December 13
Lindsay Giles

December 4
Paige Hughes

December 19
John Lawson

December 5
Audrey Rudzinski

December 21
Pastor Nancy Becker

December 6
Leanne Grant

December 23
Ken Kukler

December 8
Michael Byerly
Joan Johnston

December 25
Lillian Bianco
Marc Buehler
Gavin Kukler
Natalie Miller
Jean Patton

December 10
Diana Richardson

December 30
Elizabeth Monroe

If we inadvertently missed your birthday, please contact the church office. Thank you.

DUE DATES – TIDINGS ARTICLES, BULLETIN ARTICLES AND SCREENS

Due Date for Tidings Articles:

The due date for Tidings articles is the 15th of the month prior to the publication. (i.e. June articles are due by May 15.) Please email articles to Dawn Scarborough in the church office at dscarborough@fpcvalpo.org

Due Date for Bulletin Articles, First Notes and/or Advertisements:

The due date for bulletin articles, First Notes, and announcements are due by noon the Monday prior to the publication.

PER CAPITA

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Please email bulletin announcements and First Notes articles to Dawn Scarborough in the church office at: dscarborough@fpcvalpo.org.

THANK YOU!

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Andrea Phillips.....	Congregational Life Team
Chip Wilkes	Personnel Team

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Pastor Kim Adams

Clerk of Session

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Mission Statement: Building Disciples; Growing in Faith; Serving in Christ's Name

FINANCIAL REPORT			
OCTOBER 2020			
Month Income	\$ 31,926	YTD Income	\$ 340,302
Month Expenses	(35,946)	YTD Expenses	(361,655)
Over/Short	\$ (4,020)		\$ (21,353)



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