



First Presbyterian Church

EPISTLE

**Our Mission: Connecting with God and sharing the Good News
of Jesus Christ with the community.**

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From Your Session

Becoming Community

God is at work in peoples' lives.

Lucky, a man in his twenties, was at my house installing windows last week. I was thinking: "This guy is a professional, experienced and competent in his work. I'll ask him about windows and learn some things." I did learn some things about windows, but there was a lot more.

Lucky talked to me about frustrations in his work and in his life. As a customer, this was not what I expected or hoped to hear. Really not very professional. "Maybe I should complain to the contractor," I thought. But I wanted to get on with the windows, and I also wanted better things for Lucky.

Our conversation was not very focused. We talked about windows and flooring, education and work, family, relationships, church, life with God, opportunities past and present. Some of it was plainly offensive to hear. But behind Lucky's words and tone were questions:
"I feel stuck. What can I do?"
"I'm a mess. Prove to me that I have some worth."

I think that God would say to Lucky: "Yes, you are a mess. Where do you want to go from here? I am present. I like you. What do you want me to do for you?"

Well, I hope Lucky went home feeling some of that from me. The windows turned out great. I did not complain to the contractor, and I left Lucky an open invitation to drop by and visit some more.

Our community is made up of people like Lucky and me. Both of us are competent, unsure, professional, and immature, all at the same time. And God is at work in our lives. We'll do better together than alone, and it is good for us to talk and listen with each other.

Dennis



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Worship Volunteer Schedule August 2021

August 1	Greeters Tellers End of Service Ministry Sound Room Rotation	Jocelyn Bolles Brenda Everett & Linda Simons Paul Griffith & Diane Pegues Jimmy Cordova
August 8	Greeters Tellers End of Service Ministry Sound Room Rotation	Connie Steger & Joan Brown Jocelyn Bolles & Margaret Lewis Dennis Walters & Nancy Bergman Allen Conley
August 15	Greeters Tellers End of Service Ministry Sound Room Rotation	Sharon Ingram Joan Brown & Teresa Reed Jaime Cordova & Darlene Cowand Jennifer McWilliams
August 22	Greeters Tellers End of Service Ministry Sound Room Rotation	Dudley Austin Lori Glover & Jaime Cordova Jeff Thorpe & Brenda Everett Logan Russell
August 29	Greeters Tellers End of Service Ministry Sound Room Rotation	Jocelyn Bolles Brenda Everett & Linda Simons Marna Bayless & Dub Guthrie Jimmy Cordova

WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE
Impact Youth
Fearless Youth Group

— 5:30 p.m.
— 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE
Christian Education
Worship Service

— 9:15 a.m.
— 10:30 a.m.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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August Birthdays

If we've missed your birthday and you would like us to include it in this "birthday" section of the newsletter, please contact us at (972) 298-3043 or info@fpcd.org.

Thank you.

Wendy Jensen, August 5	Lori Glover, August 23
Kathleen Hartless, August 6	Eugene Jimmerson, August 23
Sydney Russell, August 6	Jaime Cordova, August 24
Lori Staalsen, August 11	Charles Tyer, August 26
Mareli Shipman, August 13	Dale Walters, August 28
Brenda Everett, August 17	Scott Hartless, August 29
Donna To, August 18	Doris Metzger, August 29
Eddie Cowand, August 20	



2021 MINISTRY RECEIPTS UPDATE

	Receipts	Expenditures
June	\$27,792*	\$45,084**
Jan-June	\$219,182***	\$197,531****

*\$10,993 of this for building repairs
 ** \$27,533 of this for building projects
 ****\$78,235 of this for building repairs
 *****\$83,145 of this for building projects