

## First Presbyterian Church **Newsletter**

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

#### **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN** CHURCH

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From our Session

#### "More please!": Tastes for 2022

#### **Togetherness**

Our Thanksgiving dinner at FPCD nourished me. Our fellowship overflowed into the youth room and the library. We all contributed. We laughed. We talked and listened. We met new friends and relatives. We did it all together, start to finish. We understood and prayed for each other. My soul got stronger.



Oh yes, we had food too. But I'd like more helpings of togetherness please! Variety

Once when in the Philippines, I was with a group of local friends going to a wedding together. We were late, and I was worried about that. Then we stopped along the way to gather a few more friends, so we were even later and more numerous and slower moving. My friends seemed to get happier and happier while I was stressing out. Arriving almost an hour "late" we actually got there about the same time as most other quests. Slowly I understood that for my friends, the important thing was being all together for the wedding, and

punctuality would just have to give way to togetherness. I learned to love this aspect of living there.

My Filipino friends savor togetherness like a fine wine, and this wonderful value comes through in their worship and their body life. God loves that about them.

On Global Focus Sunday last month, we intentionally wore different clothes and sang songs in other languages, to remind ourselves that God cherishes the variety--Filipino togetherness, American punctuality--all our different flavors. We at FPCD are a little sample as God redeems for Himself a people from every people.

Variety tastes good to me too, and I love it when we incorporate different music and language and culture in our worship.

#### **Teamwork**

In yesterday's FPCD Session meeting, one of the session members noticed and explained an issue the rest of us had missed. We made a better decision because of that member's unique contribution. Our whole church is like that. It's nourishing when each of us can contribute by doing what we do well.

I'd like more helpings of teamwork please!

Your tastes may be different from mine. As you think of our life together what would you like more helpings of?

Dennis





would like join the study group to come.

Thanks, Joan

The Sovereign Lord is my strength; he makes my feet like

the feet of a deer,

he enables me to tread on the heights.

Habakkuk 3:19, NIV



## January 2022

| J   |  |  |   |                                     |        | ary Local                         |
|---|--|--|---|-------------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| Sunday  | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday                            | Friday | Saturday                          |
|   | 5 6<br>12 1<br>19 2  | Dec 2021  A T W T F S  1 2 3 4  5 7 8 9 10 11  3 14 15 16 17 18  0 21 22 23 24 25  7 28 29 30 31 | Feb 2022<br>5 M T W T<br>1 2 3<br>6 7 8 9 10<br>13 14 15 16 17<br>20 21 22 23 24<br>27 28 | 4 5<br>11 12<br>18 19               |        | 1                                 |
| 9:15 AM Sunday<br>School for All Ages<br>10:30 AM Worship<br>Service                          | 3 (Office Closed in Celebration of New Years Day)            | 4  | 6:00 PM Choir<br>Party<br>7:00 PM Choir<br>Rehearsal                                      | 6                                   | 7      | 8                                 |
| 9:15 AM Sunday<br>School for All Ages<br>10:30 AM Worship<br>Service                          | 7:00 PM Member Care Meeting                                  | Lifeline Screening 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM 7 PM Sarah Circle   | 7:00 PM Choir<br>Rehearsal  | 13 6:30 PM Worship Planning Meeting | 14     | 15<br>Newsletter<br>Articles Due! |
| 9:15 AM Sunday<br>School for All Ages<br>10:30 AM Worship<br>Service<br>3rd Sunday<br>Potluck | 17   | 18   | 4:00 PM Parking Lot Prayer Ministry 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal                               | 20                                  | 21     | 22                                |
| 9:15 AM Sunday<br>School for All Ages<br>10:30 AM Worship<br>Service                          | The Sandwich Project  Bring your Sandwiches for the Homeless | 25   | 7:00 PM Choir<br>Rehearsal  | 7:00 PM Session Meeting             | 28     | 29                                |
| 9:15 AM Sunday<br>School for All Ages<br>10:30 AM Worship<br>Service                          | 31   |  |   |                                     |        |                                   |

# Worship Volunteer Schedule January 2022

January 2 Greeters Sharon Ingram

**Tellers**Joan Brown & Teresa Reed **End of Service Ministry**Dennis Walters & Dub Guthrie

**Sound Room Rotation** Logan Russell

January 9 Greeters Dudley Austin

Tellers Lori Glover & Jaime Cordova

End of Service Ministry Darrell Ingram & Joan Brown

**Sound Room Rotation** Jimmy Cordova

January 16 Communion Preparer Diane Pegues

Greeters Jocelyn Bolles
Tellers Brenda Everett

Tellers

End of Service Ministry

Sound Room Potation

Brenda Everett & Linda Simons
Paul Griffith & Diane Pegues

Jameiron McWilliams

**Sound Room Rotation** Jennifer McWilliams

January 23GreetersConnie Steger & Joan BrownTellersJocelyn Bolles & Margaret Lewis

End of Service Ministry Brittany Haywood & Nancy Bergman

**Sound Room Rotation** Allen Conley

January 30 Greeters Sharon Ingram

**Tellers** Joan Brown & Teresa Reed

**End of Service Ministry** Jaime Cordova & Darlene Cowand

**Sound Room Rotation** Logan Russell

.m.q 0£:2 — .m.q 0£:3 — Fearless Youth Group
Fearless Youth

.m.s 21:9 — .m.s 02:01 — Christian Education Worship Service

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE** 

#### RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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## **January 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.

Jocelyn Bolles, January 1 Gwenn Guthrie, January 4 Jim Stahl, January 5 Brittany Haywood, January 7 Jeff Thorpe, January 10 Nyadia Thorpe, January 12 Jason Cordova, January 13 Connie Steger, January 16 Logan Russell, January 25



#### **2021 MINISTRY RECEIPTS UPDATE**

| November | <b>Receipts</b> \$31,217 | <b>Expenditures</b><br>\$39,061 |
|----------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Jan-Nov  | \$349,500                | \$389,059                       |