



# First Presbyterian News

## September 2018

401 Lincolnway East, Mishawaka, In. 46544

**Four of our own traveled to Louisville in August for the Presbyterian Women's Gathering.**

**We were blessed with their telling of experiences they had, people they met, moments to remember after their return. We also were blessed with the following picture...**



**Pam Camren shares: The Churchill Downs trumpeter playing the call to the post to open the first plenary session and the "typical Kentucky buffet" the first evening including fried green tomatoes, collard greens and fried chicken! Yum.**

**Mary Ann Dentino shares; The one moment that stood out was Sunday morning when women from all over the globe shared communion together.**

**Lynett Heritz shares: the fellowship of old friends and new.**

**Darlene Seufert shares: meeting the authors of the next few Bible studies. They each are so articulate and inspiring. The 'Ten Commandments' study by Ms. Campbell looks to be awesome!**

**Thank you, ladies! Your joy and enthusiasm are rays of sunshine to us all!!**



Book Club September 16, 2018 at 2:00 pm. We will meet at Rose Marie's and snacks will be provided by Judy. Come ready to share and tell about the book(s) you have read all summer long. We will pick our October book at that time and lay out details for the next few months. *Happy Reading!*  
 Questions: contact Judy Green at [mtcgjag@aol.com](mailto:mtcgjag@aol.com)

## “THE WEDNESDAY CONNECTION”

What is that, you may ask! An opportunity to “connect” with your church family and perhaps meet some new folks mid-week. It is a good thing to do.

The Wednesday Connection is the upcoming supper, fellowship, connection and study time beginning on **Wednesday, September 26** in Fellowship Hall. Supper will be at 6:15 and we will finish our study/discussion by 7:30.

The study format will be similar to last year except we will be using a DVD presentation to guide our study/discussion. Someone from CE committee will facilitate each session.

Our first focus will be *“Fear of the Other, No Fear in Love”* by William H. Willimon. This study seems timely as our country wrestles with the issue of immigration. Let us come together, studying together, sharing “bread” and companionship while listening with the heart of Jesus and the leading of the Holy Spirit of God.

There will be a sign up sheet on the lobby bulletin board to indicate your participation and another for preparing and serving a light supper..... to feed 10-15 fellow FPC family members and invited friends. Open to all!!! Sign up is now on bulletin board.

Questions? Please contact one of us. Carole Polk, Pam Camren, and Janna McLean, CE Elder

## SCRAPBOOKING & CRAFTING CLUB with Brittany Rice

Meet us in Fellowship hall from 6pm to 11pm to work on any personal projects, crafts, scrap booking, cards, or even an adult coloring book! Ideas flow when we get together as does the friendship.

A donation to the Food Pantry shopping cart is your admission.

*As of August 1st there are 153 days till Christmas, how are your projects coming along?*

Contact me at [scrap.brittany@gmail.com](mailto:scrap.brittany@gmail.com) for any questions, thank you, Brittany.

**2018 dates: September 28, October 26 and November 16.**

## From Worship and Music

Our church has been blessed this summer with excellent pulpit supply. A huge THANK YOU for our regulars, Rev. Don Neely and Rev. Steve Mullin. Even in retirement, they continue God's work through preaching the word and shining God's love through worship, prayer, and praise. A bigger thank you to our own who have challenged the borders of their comfort zone and filled our pulpit so beautifully-Judy Sulak, Mary Ann Dentino, Pam Camren, Lynett Heritz, and my humble self. Music continues to be a Blessing in our congregation with our own Brandon Hollihan and Jane Peiffer filling in from time to time. **Praise be to God in song and word.**

**Thank you to the Best Staff Ever.** Darlene



Yes, ACTIVE is the word for FPC PW!

Our August **Upper Room Sale** was very successful with over \$300 of items going out the door! Meaning, we will be needing more donations! If you have friends or relatives who are downsizing, cleaning closet or have leftovers from garage sale, we will take them! Items need to be in good condition and we can't take electronics. Items can be dropped off at the East Entrance lobby during office hours Tuesday – Thursday, 9 - noon.

If you are cleaning closets and need boxes, we have lots. Check top of the landing for empty boxes. NEXT SALE DATE: September 8<sup>th</sup> with work night Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> 6-8 pm.

The PW program year will kick off on **Wednesday, September 19 at 6 p.m.** with supper (CT providing "entrée") with accompanying salads and desserts from circles. This evening will be the kick-off of the PW Bible study "**GOD'S PROMISE-I AM WITH YOU**" led by Dyan Phillips. Study books will be available for purchase if you do not have one. Bring your Bible. The study was one of the sessions at the Churchwide Gathering and is a very good study.

In October we have the Fall Gathering/Retreat @ Geneva Center registration due by 10/1/18, retreat on 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>. See Carole or myself for details. *Dedication Sunday* is the 21<sup>st</sup>, please have projects to church by 14<sup>th</sup>. And mark calendars for 2 bake sale work nights, the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. More News and upcoming calendar items will be in the October FPC Newsletter.

Look for the activity with & for The Presbyterian Women!

Pam Camren & Carole Polk, co-moderators for PW

PWCT MEETINGS

Sept 9<sup>th</sup> 11:30 a.m. Oct 7<sup>th</sup> 11:30 a.m.

The picnic was well attended at the Primmer's home. Judy Sulak and Alan Camren were the worship team with the message YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT and Jane Pfeiffer provided music! Lots of picnic food and time to fellowship afterwards. Thanks to Teresa and Dave Primmer for opening their garage to us!

**TODDLER ROOM  
SCHEDULE FOR 2018**

September - Brittany Rice  
October - Judy Sulak  
November - Mary Ann Dentino  
December - Darlene Seufert



As in the past, please switch with someone if you are unavailable on a given Sunday. Should that be necessary, it would be good to contact the church office of the change.

**Drop 2 Stop boxes**

August 2018, in partnership with the 525 Foundation, Martin's Super Markets is unveiling three drop boxes at select stores that will allow shoppers to dispose of expired or unneeded medication. With the national opioid crisis driving the need for locations for safe and securely dispose spots, the **Drop 2 Stop** boxes will be located near the main exit doors at the Martin's Supermarkets at Erskine Plaza, Mayflower Road and at Heritage Square in Granger. The boxes were paid for by a partnership between Martin's and the 525 Foundation, (the numbers of the boys' hockey jerseys, 5 and 25) an organization created by Becky and Mike Savage to raise awareness of the opioid epidemic after the accidental overdose deaths of their sons Nick and Jack. (Jean Savage was the Pre-school director at our church for over 20 years; Nick and Jack are her grandsons) "We've seen a tremendous response from people in our community during our pill drop events at local fire stations," Becky Savage, said in a news release. "This program offers a safe and convenient way for people to properly dispose of unused or expired medications by having these boxes available at a safe, clean, easy and convenient place - the grocery store."

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

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Custodian hours: Monday thru Friday 8am to 1 pm

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OUR MAIL ADDRESS: First Presbyterian Church-Mishawaka  
P.O. Box 744 Mishawaka, Indiana 46546**NEWS FROM THE MICHIANA ALLIANCE OF CARE**July Food Pantry statistics; reported by Shelia Swinehart,  
Pantry Director:

Families served, 197. Individuals, 699.

1561 pounds of food donated by churches and individuals.

It should be noted Pantry volunteers are finding an increase in the sizes of families. In these cases families are able to get larger sizes of items when available. Clients often share information with the volunteers indicating generations are banding together to share household expenses.

Some children on summer school vacation have been involved in the Mishawaka City Park program which has provided lunches.

The community food pantries throughout the area, working together with the city, have benefited folks in need of food assistance. An ongoing outreach.

The Albright UMC congregation held an event in July which benefited the MAC Food Pantry in a major way.

As a not-for-profit with ties to federal government food allotments, there are certain rules that must be followed, including unannounced inspections for cleanliness. In July volunteers from the Albright church family and friends gathered together to clean the Pantry from ceiling to floor, cleaning the shelves and scrubbing the floors. The teenagers had a great time outdoors using water hoses to clean the shopping carts.

This is another example of how valuable volunteers are in our community and throughout the world. Those Tuesday evenings, 6pm to 8pm and Friday mornings, 10am to noon are always open to welcome new volunteers, one or two hours one time each month.

Due to the illness of Doug Wilkens, there is a particular need for an additional volunteer to drive the Pantry truck on occasion. Picking up orders at the Food Bank in South Bend is what is most needed. A CDL license is not necessary.

Thank you, Janet Freeman, Missions

**Church Officers and Committees**

**Session:** Angela Bellinger, Alan Camren, Ron May, Janna McLean, Darlene Seufert, Chuck Wukovits

**Board of Deacons:** Lynett Heritz; moderator, Dick Dentino, Pam Martz, Teresa Primmer, Jason Pursehouse, Judy Sulak

**Facilities and Operations**

Chuck Wukovits, Chair  
Ethan DeMaegd, Dick Dentino

**Book Club:** Judy Green

**Clerk of Session:** Teresa Primmer

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**Newsletter:** Sue Rice

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**Prayer Chain:** Lynett Heritz

**Presbyterian Women:**

Pam Camren and Carole Polk

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Darlene Seufert, Chair

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**Worship 10 am  
Fellowship at 11 am**

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>2 Communion Greeter: Angela Bellinger Ushers: Ethan D. and Dan B. W. Leader: Darlene Seufert Pulpit: Pastor Don Neely</p>	3	4	5	6	7	8
<p>9 Greeter: Margaret DeMaegd Usher: Carole P. and Michael G. W. Leader: Chris Wukovits Pulpit: Pastor Don Neely <i>PWCT noon</i></p>	10	11	12	13	14	15
<p>16 Greeter Rose Marie Reif Ushers: Michael G. and Judy S. W. Leader: Chuck Wukovits Pulpit: Rev. Walter Davis  <i>Book club 2pm Rose Marie hosting</i></p>	17	18	<p>19 PW Kick Off 6pm Bring a dish to share.</p>	20	21	22
<p>23 Greeter: Bill Bellairs Ushers: Greg P. and Neal S. W. Leader: Dyan Phillips Pulpit: Lay Leader Alice Yacullo</p>	24	25	<p>26 <i>The Wednesday Connection 6:15—7:30</i></p>	27	<p>28 <i>Scrap booking in fellowship hall 6 to 11pm</i></p>	29
<p>30 Greeter: Bill Bellairs Ushers: Ethan D. and Dan B. W. Leader: Pulpit: Rev. Walter Davis</p>	<p><b>Newsletter deadline is September 17</b> at noon for the October issue. Please send information to Sue Rice at <a href="mailto:suce@aol.com">suce@aol.com</a> or Judy, office manager, at <a href="mailto:officejudyk@gmail.com">officejudyk@gmail.com</a>. or you can also mail/ phone church.</p>					

THE MARITIME CHALLENGE GENESIS 6 AND 7

To Noah God said, "Build a boat!  
For seven long months it must float.  
The passenger list,

On which I insist,  
Will probably give you a jolt!"  
(to be continued)