

**NEED TO KNOW COLUMN**

**Sunday, October 26**

7:30 a.m. - Men's Council Breakfast  
 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages  
 12:00 p.m. - Boy Scout Meeting Hall - Naming and Re-dedication

**Monday, October 27**

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

**Tuesday, October 28**

7:00 p.m. - Committee on Committees meet in Crossroads Classroom

**Wednesday, October 29**

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner (Theme: Halloween Costumes)  
 6:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Class (Journey to Advent)  
 7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal

**Sunday, November 2 - Reformation and All Saints**

Lord's Supper will be observed at both Worship Services  
 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

**Monday, November 3**

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

**Tuesday, November 4**

9:15 a.m. - Presbyterian Women's Morning Circle  
 7:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women's Night Circle (Pot luck)

**Wednesday, November 5**

5:45 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Dinner (Theme: Celebrate Fall)  
 6:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Class (Craft - Advent Wreath)  
 7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal

**Saturday, November 8**

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. - Presbyterian Women National Planning Team

**Sunday, November 9**

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service  
 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for all ages

**Monday, November 10**

7:00 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers rehearsal

**Tuesday, November 11**

7:00 p.m. - Christian Education Committee Mtg - Crossroads Classroom  
 7:15 p.m. - Worship Committee Meeting - Enquiry Classroom

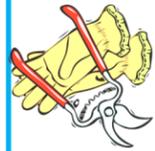
**Wednesday, November 12**

5:45 p.m. - WNL Dinner (Theme: Dallas Cowboy Costume Contest)  
 6:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live Class (Christmas Cards w/ Pete Allen)  
 7:15 p.m. - Chancel Choir rehearsal

**Saturday, November 15**

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - All Church Workday  
 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. - FPC Christmas Marketplace (Shop Till You Drop)

**All Church Workday, Saturday, November 15, beginning at 9:00 a.m.**



The Property Committee will be heading up an "All Church Workday" at our church on Saturday, November 15, beginning at 9:00 a.m. This time will be dedicated to sprucing up the place, both inside and out, before Advent. Thank you for prayerfully considering a couple of hours out of your Saturday to clean up around the church.



**THOSE WHO SERVE**

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton, Pastor  
 Ryoji Shimpo, Director of Music Ministries/Organist & Pianist  
 Renee Stormer, Administrative Assistant  
 Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Wilbanks, Pastor Emeritus



Join us for a Mid-Week Rejuvenation.  
 Dinner at 5:45 p.m. and  
 Classes at 6:30 p.m.

Each Wednesday Night thru November 19 we will have a theme. Watch the bulletin for more information.

Themes	Classes
Oct. 29 - Wear Halloween Costume	Journey to Advent
Nov. 5 - Celebrate Fall	Craft - Advent Wreath

**What's on the Menu for Wednesday Night Dinners?**



10/29 Pulled Pork & Chicken Sandwiches, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Salad, and Banana Pudding.  
 11/5 Creamy Chicken Pasta, Salad, Bread, and Chocolate Pie.

Please sign up for Dinner in the Welcome Center



**Matthew 25 Ministries**

Presbyterian Women are collecting pill bottles for Matthew 25 Ministries.

They accept donations of clean, empty, label and residue free plastic pill bottles for inclusion in shipments of medical supplies.

Their pill bottle program fulfills the dual needs of improving medical care in developing countries and caring for our environment.



**THE CHALLENGE**

The 100 Can Challenge continues as we collect can goods and other non-perishable items. The donated items will be given to Sharing Life, as they feed those in need in our community. Our total items collected thus far in October is **91 items**.

Thank you to all who contribute!

**The Women's Retreat Committee is selling pecans.**

A table is set up in the main hallway and a committee member will be there to assist you. Please make your purchase this Sunday, prices increase at the FPC Christmas Market Place.

1 lb. bag of halves \$12  
 1 lb. bag of pieces \$12

**ONLINE GIVING OPTION**

Have you ever thought of giving online? If you would like to give online you may scan the QR Code, this will take you to the giving button on our website.



**GUIDE TO WORSHIP**

**October 26, 2025**

**8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.**

**About the Cover Picture**

During our time in Milwaukee the youth served in a variety of ways. They worked in community gardens. One garden served as an offering to the community. Those who had need could pick up the fresh produce they needed. Some of our work was at a retirement community. They served as they made artwork for an upcoming event. Sometimes we serve best by helping those who are on the frontline of service. Sometimes the youth served by working with those at an adult day care. The youth offered themselves in many ways to serve those in that community.

Today is our Dedication Sunday. We offer our tithes, our offerings, and our very selves. We offer our time, talent, and treasure. Today we dedicate our pledges for the coming year. In due course, a "Time and Talent" pledge form will be offered to the congregation as well.



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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## STRIKING OF THE HOUR FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *All Creatures of Our God and King* arr. Lloyd Larson

INTROIT 403 (v.1) *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty* Joachim Neander

Open now Thy gates of beauty, Zion, let me enter there,  
where my soul in joyful duty waits for God Who answers prayer;  
O how blessed is this place, filled with solace, light, and grace.

CALL TO WORSHIP *Philippians 1:2*

Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

### And also to you.

Glory and praise to our God, Who alone gives light to our days,  
many are the blessings He bears to those who trust in His ways.  
Let us worship God.

\*HYMN 15 *All Creatures of Our God and King*

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Mighty and Merciful God, by Your power Christ is raised from death to rule this world in love. We confess that we have not believed in Him, but fall into doubt and fear. Gladness has no home in our hearts, and gratitude is slight. Forgive our dread and our hopelessness, and set us free for joy in the victory of Jesus Christ, Who was dead but now lives, and Who will put down every power to hurt or destroy, when Your promised kingdom comes. Amen.**

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*RESPONSE (Hymn 581)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. A—men. A—men.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS #

MOMENT FOR MISSION Stewardship Drive  
“What Are We Building”

ANTHEM Here I Am, Lord arr. Craig Courtney  
Chancel Choir

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard My people cry,  
All who dwell in deepest sin My hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright,  
Who will bear My light to them? Whom shall I send?

*Refrain:* Here I am, Lord, is it I, Lord?

I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne My people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak My word to them, Whom shall I send? *[Refrain]*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

*(continued)*

Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them. Whom shall I send? *[Refrain]*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #

All Knowing, All Gracious God, challenge our minds where they need to be challenged, encourage our wills where they need encouragement, comfort our hearts where they need comforting in Jesus Name. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON # *II Corinthians 9:6-12*

The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, He gives to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." He Who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON # *Deuteronomy 8:11, 17-18*

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep His commandments, His ordinances, and His statutes, which I am commanding you today. Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is He Who gives you power to get wealth, so that He may confirm His covenant that He swore to your ancestors, as He is doing today.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00)

The Children and Youth are asked to come forward at this time.

\*HYMN 694 *Great God of Every Blessing*

SERMON *All Is a Gift* Rev. Doughton

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

\*HYMN 708 *We Give Thee but Thine Own*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *The Church's One Foundation* arr. Clarence Kohlmann  
Ryoji Shimpo, pianist

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION †

\*HYMN 707 *Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE 741 (v.1) *Guide My Feet* African American spiritual

Guide my feet while I run this race;  
guide my feet while I run this race;  
guide my feet while I run this race,  
for I don't want to run this race in vain!

POSTLUDE Here I Am, Lord arr. Jack Schrader

*Please be seated for the Postlude.*

## ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

**Elder #** - Phil Johnson (8:45); Eric Schwartz (11:00)  
**Deacon/Ushers †** - Rodney VanSickle, Bryan Sanders,  
and Taylor Hammer (8:45);  
Rodney VanSickle, Bryan Sanders,  
Taylor Hammer, and MacKenzie Aynes (11:00)



Please help us Remember, Honor, and Teach on Saturday, December 14, by sponsoring a wreath today. Each Wreath is \$17 and \$5 will be returned to our L.I.F.E. Youth to be used for their next Mission Trip.

Thank you,  
TX0524P FPC Mesquite L.I.F.E. Youth Group  
**Deadline is: November 28, 2025**

