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Sunday Morning Schedule

Sunday Fellowship: 8:30 a.m. (coffee and donuts)
Worship Service: 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
Sunday School (all ages): 10:15 a.m.
*Staffed Nursery all morning

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Focus on God — Equip God's People — Proclaim Christ — Change the World!

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SERMON INFORMATION

- Oct 1** — *World Wide Communion*
"Prayer and the Holy Spirit"
Romans 8:26-27 Galatians 4:6
- Oct 8** — "When Praying is Hard"
Matthew 26:36-44
Hebrews 4:14-16
- Oct 15** — *All-Church Family Retreat*
- Oct 22** — "By Scripture Alone"
II Timothy 3:10-17
- Oct 29** — "By Grace Alone"
Ephesians 2:8-9

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

- Oct 1** Janice Chezem
Oct 8 Suzie Ransom
Oct 15 *Church Family Retreat*
Oct 22 Amanda Trent
Oct 29 Amanda Trent

MEAL DELIVERY

- Oct 6** Olivia Rothenberger & Pam Hall
Oct 13 Olivia Rothenberger & Pam Hall
Oct 20 Andy Shriver & Jacque Snyder
Oct 27 Andy Shriver & Jacque Snyder

Stephen Ministry at FEPC



Receptivity to Care

Most people are much more open to giving care than to receiving it. When a person is receiving care, he or she is acknowledging weakness, insecurity, and vulnerability. As a result, there are many people today who, though they could really benefit from a friend who would listen and care for them, instead tough it out on their own. They remain the strong, silent type, or wear a smile across a face that is holding back a flood of tears.

But God did not create us to be independent. Scripture stresses this theme with more than 50 verses that contain the words "one another." These verses don't say we alone are to love, encourage, build up, and pray for other people. The "one another" wording gives them a reciprocal meaning, telling us that we are also to allow other people to love, encourage, build up, and pray for us!

It can be most difficult for us to ask for help, but suffering alone is not God's intent for us. Jesus promises, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). Need someone to share your burden? Contact Marty Rodkey or Pastor Kelly today to discuss a Stephen Ministry referral.



Life in the Body of Christ

Condolences to:

- The family of Eunice M. Kreisher, who went to be with the Lord on September 23, 2017. Eunice was a life-long member of FEPC, and the sister of Carroll Johnson .

THANK YOU to the many FEPC Volunteers:

- All who have helped with recent funeral meals, providing and serving food, and cleanup.
- All who helped with the Gem City Jog and the Mega Sports Camp.



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FIRST EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FRANKFORT, INDIANA

Focus on God, Equip God's People, Proclaim Christ, Change the World

A monthly summary of activities at First Evangelical Presbyterian Church

October 2017

World Wide Communion Sunday

October 1

Observed in Morning Worship and
at Wesley Manor at 1:30 p.m.

Session Retreat

October 6 & 7

All-Church Family Retreat

October 13-15

Camp Camby Conference & Retreat
Center, 10740 E County Rd 700 S,
Camby, IN 46113,

No worship at FEPC October 15

Join in worship at the Church Family
Retreat

NO Discipletown

Wednesday, October 18

B2B Community Dinner

Wednesday, October 25 @ 5 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!

What: Mission Weekend: *"Get
Plugged IN To Local Missions"*

When: November 4-5, 2017

Borrowing Policy

If you need to borrow tables, chairs or
other equipment from the church, please
be sure to check with Donnie Albitz to be
sure it won't be needed or that it hasn't
been reserved by someone else.
The policy states that we will not
lend out kitchen equipment.

Update From The Session

With regard to the Senior Pastor transition, the Session is in contact with Presbytery on what the procedures are and the next steps to be taken.

Associate Pastor Kelly Kurth is taking on more leadership with assistance from the staff, session and other members of the congregation. Kelly is taking the preaching lead during worship, setting the sermon series and the lead in the pulpit. The elders and others are assisting with the worship services. From time to time there will be guest speakers delivering the sermon.

The elders and Pastor Kelly are having a retreat October 6 and 7 to focus on the direction for the future at FEPC. Bill Rasch will be leading during this retreat. Bill comes highly recommended from within the Presbytery. The session asks for prayers for the retreat weekend, and for the church as we continue through this time of transition.

Get Plugged IN ... Serving is POWERFUL!

On Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 4 and 5, the Mission Team will provide many opportunities for you to learn about various local ministries in which you could use your time, talent and tithes. Saturday's activities (8:30 a.m.-Noon) include tours of local missions supported by FEPC with a time to reflect and fellowship over lunch served at church. Sunday morning's service will feature messages from those among us who have already begun to experience the power of getting Plugged IN to serving Christ in our community. We hope to have many in attendance!

There will be RSVP forms in the church bulletin over the next few Sundays, but if you are unable to complete one, and wish to attend the events, you may contact Amy or Matt Crawford at teacher Crawford66@gmail.com or phone [765-652-3358](tel:765-652-3358). Mark your calendars and plan to "Get Plugged IN To Local Missions!"

Open House at The Way Out Sober Living Home

You are invited to stop by and see all the work that has been done across the street at The Way Out Sober Living Home. Their open house will coincide with our Missions Weekend. Stop by between 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4.

Thanksgiving Food Offering

The **Thanksgiving Food Offering** bags will be given out October 22, and the Food Offering will be received on Mission Sunday, November 5. Watch the bulletin for a list of foods to be included. The list should also be included with the bag when you pick it up.

From Hope in the Harvest

What has been happening at the ARC? Nathan and Anna Glenn and the Sebald family are now on the ground and running.

Now more than ever the mission needs your continued support. We are still building the Dr. James Milstead Science lab, at Liberia's only Agriculture Research Center. The college has launched the bachelor degree level program and there is always a need for instructors. Please contact the mission for more details. And, the ARC is always looking forward to hosting your mission team, when you want to start planning let us know!

Thank you for this first fast five years in this work in building Christ's kingdom in Liberia.

Gina and Travis Sheets

"The McClains are coming! The McClains are coming ... to our church!

Save the date: **Wednesday, November 1** WFEPC

Ham Loaf dinner at 5 PM McClain sharing at 6 PM

Free Will Offering will be taken to support the McClain/Potter's Field Ministries"

The Thompsons ... Back From Germany

After serving on two college campuses in Germany with Cru, Jacob and Chelsea Thompson have returned home to Indiana. They are grateful for the work God gave them to do with college students at Purdue and in Berlin, and for the support of FEPC.

At this time they are stepping out of formal roles in ministry, and have taken jobs in South Bend working at a funeral home. Continue to pray that God would bless their work and their marriage.

There's Room for More News

This is where you can include news and information you or your group would like to share with the rest of FEPC. You are the reporters. Email information to Miriam Curts at macurts@gmail.com or put the information in the Newsletter mailbox outside the church office. Deadlines for submitting information are included in the bulletin and in the announcement loop displayed before worship on Sunday mornings.