#### FIRST PRESS LITE

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**Sunday Morning Schedule** 

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

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#### **SERMON INFORMATION**

May 6 — "Hunger Pangs: Feeding the Five Thousand"
John 6:1-15

May 13 — *Mother's Day*"Hunger Pangs: Walking on Water"
John 6:16-21

May 20 — Senior Sunday
"Hunger Pangs: True
Manna"
John 6:22-34

May 27 — "Hunger Pangs: The Bread of Life"
John 6:35-59

#### **CHILDREN IN WORSHIP**

May 6 A. Crawford - Great Commission
May 13 S. Calloway - Ascension
May 20 S. Calloway - Pentecost
May 27 - Good Samaritan:

#### **MEAL DELIVERY**

May 4 John & Connie Milholland May 11 John & Connie Milholland May 18 Sue Wolfe & Sue Payton May 25 Sue Wolfe & Sue Payton

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<u>Focus on God — Equip God's People — Proclaim Christ — Change the World!</u>

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#### Stephen Ministry at FEPC

What do you do when you have a friend who just lost his wife, but he lives in Colorado and you're in Indiana? How do you offer care when your sister loses her job, but she lives across the country from you? What if you sense a Stephen Minister might be helpful, but you have

no idea whether there are Stephen Ministry churches in that area?

Well, your FEPC Stephen Leaders can help, by hearing of the situation from you, and confidentially:

Contacting Stephen Ministries St. Louis for names of Stephen Ministry churches in the area

Contacting those churches to see if they can take a referral of this type Connecting your friend or loved one with a Stephen Ministry church

There are a few more steps than this, but be assured that your Stephen Leaders and the international network of Stephen Ministry congregations are available to bring caring ministry wherever it is needed. Your FEPC leaders have made long-distance referrals in the past, one as recently as a couple months ago. We welcome the opportunity to extend the reach of Stephen Ministry for your family or friends. So, please be in touch as needed with Marty Rodkey or Karen Sutton.



## Life in the Body of Christ

#### Thank you -

I want to thank my Church Family for all of their phone calls, cards, food and their prayers during my recovery from hip replacement. ~ Carroll Johnson

#### Condolences to -

- Fred and Carol Downs and family on the recent passing of Fred's brother, Russell Downs.
- Susan and Kim Calloway and family on the recent passing of their brother-in-law, Richard.



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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

May 2018

#### Prayer with the Pastor

Continues each Monday @ 7:00 a.m.

#### **Quilts on Wings**

Friday, May 11 @ 1:30 p.m.

#### Senior Sunday May 20 NO Sunday School

Seniors recognized in worship and at Deacons Senior Brunch in Fellowship Hall @ 10 a.m.

#### **Communion Sunday**

May 27

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

#### NO Sunday School Sunday, May 27

B<sub>2</sub>B Community Dinner

Wednesday, May 30 @ 5:00 p.m.

#### **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.

## Caleb Calloway in Uganda

Caleb arrived safely with his team from Potter's Field Ministries. Their work in Uganda is off to a good start. Continue to keep them in prayer.

## **Graduation Open House**

Graduation Open House for Mitch Coapstick Saturday May 26, 2018, 3:00-7:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall Everyone is Welcome!

## **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**

This year the OCC shoe box program is being handled a little differently at FEPC. Instead of waiting until the fall to collect items for the shoe boxes, we will be collecting items throughout the year. Then at the end of the year there will be a "packing party". During **May** we are collecting **Hygiene products (deodorant, bar soap, wash rags, loofas, tooth-brushes (no toothpaste or bottled soaps).** 

## **Continue Prayers for Andrew Brunson and His Family**

Pastor Brunson's trial began on April 16 where he adamantly denied any wrongdoing.

" 'I've never done something against Turkey. I love Turkey. I've been praying for Turkey for 25 years. I want truth to come out,' Brunson told the court in the western Turkish town of Aliaga, north of the Aegean city of Izmir." - Reuters

At the end of the hearing, the court ruled that Brunson should remain in prison until the next hearing on May 7. Pastor Brunson's trial is now worldwide news. We encourage all brothers and sisters of Christ to pray for Andrew as his faith is tested in this agonizing trial. Pray also for his family, who waits anxiously for news, and pleas for his freedom.

## **Congratulations Graduates 2018 High School Graduate**



#### Mitch Coapstick

Mitch is the son of Dan and Stephanie Coapstick. He is a graduate of Clinton Prairie High School, where his activities have included: National Honor Society, Key Club, Student Council, Senior Class Vice President, SLAM Mentor, Academic Bowl Team, Learning to Lead, HOBY representative and sports. Mitch participated in football, basketball and track.

Mitch's plans for the future include attending Purdue University where he will major in Engineering.

### 2018 Exchange Student



#### Saranya Chatwanchompoo - aka, Grace

Grace has lived with Gary and Susie Plunkitt while attending Frankfort High School.

Grace is from Chonburi, Thailand. Her parents are (Dad) Thanawut Chatwanchompoo and (Mom) Suphawadi Chatwanchompoo. She has and older brother and sister: Phirakit and Kethaphat.

While attending Frankfort High School, Grace was active on the Frankfort Fire Dance Team. She likes drawing, painting and playing with pets.

Grace's future plans are to return to Thailand on June 1, finish high school there and graduate there in March 2019. She will then attend college where she plans to study Architecture.

#### **Honor Flight to Washington, D.C.**

Dick Sutton is one of four residents of Wesley Manor being recognized for their military service as they join other veterans on one-day Honor Flight trips to Washington, D.C.

Dick will travel to D.C. on May 8. A U.S. Army veteran, he served as an X-ray technician in the medical corps during the Korean War. Justin Trent will be traveling with Dick. Their plane departs from Purdue University Airport at 6:30 a.m. and returns at 6:30 p.m.. The public is invited to a "Welcome Home" event at the airport.

Thank you, Dick, for your service. Surely you and Justin will have tales to tell of this wonderful adventure together.

#### COMING SOON - VBS 2018

Day 1 of VBS transports us to the ancient city of Babylon where we meet Daniel and hear the beginning of his story from Daniel 1. Daniel explains how everything had suddenly changed for him and his friends. Jerusalem had been conquered, they were relocated to a different land, their names were changed, and they were expected to eat food used in sacrifices to other gods. Everything had changed for them. I wonder what changes for us and causes us to fear. Maybe it is a new job, maybe it is a new place to live, maybe the people around us are changing. Or maybe it is us changing our life in a certain area to follow after Jesus. Maybe the change would be so different from our old life we are afraid of what it could mean and what we will have to sacrifice. Daniel and his friends were facing all of these changes and more. But Daniel knew God was with him. He knew what God expected of him. Despite the consequences, which included possible death, he chose to follow God's ways and he was blessed for it. God challenges us to follow his ways revealed in Scripture. We are not alone. In Deuteronomy 31:6, God's people are told, "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you." This message is for us! When change happens, as it will and should, we are not alone. We can trust God to lead us and care for us when we honor him with the sacrifice of all we are.