First Press Lite

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

September 2019

Prayer with the Pastor Continues each Monday @ 7:00 a.m.

Sunday, SEPTEMBER 1 SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES Deacon Fellowship and Honduras Mission Team Report In Fellowship Hall @ 10:15 a.m.

Monday, SEPTEMBER 2—LABOR DAY Church Offices CLOSED

Wednesday, September 4 Wednesday activities RESUME Dinner at 5:00 p.m. Choir at 5:45 p.m. Discipletown at 6:00 p.m. Handbells at 7:00 p.m.

Bloodmobile

Thursday, September 5, 2019 11 a.m.—4 p.m. in Fellowship Hall



Sunday, September 8 Promotion Sunday Children in Worship Resumes C.I.A. Youth Group Resumes

Quilts on Wings Friday, September 13 @ 1:30 p.m. Wesley Manor Quilting Room B415

Borrowing Policy

If you need to borrow tables, chairs or other equipment from the church, please be sure to check with **Colleen Spencer** 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.

September is 'Stewardship Month' at FEPC

During this time of the year the various ministries that operate under our umbrella are evaluating past ministry efforts, planning events and programming for the upcoming year to glorify God and equip our people, and just dreaming about what may be. The numbers that these ministries come up with to effectively carry on what God has called them to do are then passed along to a team that puts together a budget. That budget is then aligned with the pledges that the congregation sends in.

On **Sunday, September 15** we will send a stewardship packet home with you. They can also be picked up at the office if you coordinate that with staff. We ask that you prayerfully consider, once again, being a part of our ministry team here at FEPC. Your tithes, offerings, and various contributions make it possible to carry out the ministry that we believe God has called us to here in Frankfort and around the world.

The Stewardship Packets will be collected and consecrated on **Sunday**, **September 22**.

Thank you for all that you do for Christ's Kingdom!

Pastor Kelly

Annual Presbyterian Golf Scramble

Sunday, September 22 @ 3:00 p.m.

Followed by pitch in @ the Club House Contact Sandy Meyer (659-3435) to sign up.



5th Sunday Offering—September 29

Loose offering received on this date has been designated for the support of Matt and Brooke McClain.

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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

For week day staff office hours, please visit www.fepcfrankfort.org, or phone the church.

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SERMON INFORMATION

Sept 1 - "Sent to Liberia" Romans 10:15 Bill Sebald Preaching

- Sept 8 "Clean Feet, Stained Heart" John 13
- Sept 15 "Way, Truth and Life" John 14:1-14
- Sept 22 "The Promise of the Holy Spirit" John 14:15-31
- Sept 29 "Vine and Branches" John 15:1-16

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Sept 8 - ?? - Creation Sept 15 - Suzie R. - The Fall Sept 22 - ?? - Noah Sept 29 - Janice C. - Abram & Sarai

MEAL DELIVERY

Sept 6 Linda Frey & Sally RogersSept 13 Linda Frey & Sally RogersSept 20 Karen & Dick SuttonSept 27 Karen & Dick Sutton

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Stephen Ministry at FEPC

Caring Tip #9: Follow the Other Person's Need

Imagine this scenario. A friend's mother has just died at the age of 85. She had lived a full and vibrant life until five years ago, but then came a steady de-

cline. How do you respond? The book *Don't Sing Songs to a Heavy Heart* suggests: *Play it safe. Initially, simply express your sorrow. Follow the other person's lead from there on.* This means: Do a lot of listening. Avoid platitudes like "She lived a full life" or "She's better off." Let the hurting person state their conclusion instead of inserting yours. Simply hearing what's going on for them in that moment is enough. Letting the other take the lead is a way for you to show you value and prize that individual. Letting him or her lead is also an act of humility, an acknowledgement that you don't know it all. Your readiness to listen is a wonderful gift to a hurting person. Thankfully, God is always ready to listen to us, and He has provided Stephen Ministers at FEPC to come alongside and listen to the deep needs among the body. Contact Pastor Kelly or a Stephen Leader (Marty Rodkey, Karen Sutton, or Amanda Trent) on how to connect with a Stephen Minister.

Midwest Presbytery Meeting

Friday, September 13 @ 1:00 p.m. until Saturday, September 14 @ 1:00 p.m. St. Andrew EPC, Auburn, IN Keep them in Prayer as they conduct church business.

Meet the Queens

... Caroline, Kris, Cameron and Chuck



The Queen family is always smiling and have been getting involved being a blessing to our FEPC family.

Kris and Chuck moved to Frankfort in 2001, fresh out of college, to work at Kyger Elementary. Kris is now a PreK-2 media specialist at blue Ridge and Chuck teaches 5th grade at Suncrest. Cameron is 13 and in the 8th grade; Caroline is 10 and in the 5th grade. You've probably seen Caroline helping the deacons on Sunday mornings.

When they began looking for a church community to be a part of they visited FEPC. They say "from the moment we stepped into FEPC we have felt welcomed and at home. We are blessed to have such a wonderful group of both old and new friends to worship with and together grow in our faith."

Like most parents of young families, Kris and Chuck find their 'free time' filled chauffeuring and attending the kids' extracurricular events. Cameron keeps busy playing football and basketball, and is on his way to earning his Eagle rank in Scouts. Caroline fills her time with volleyball, basketball, softball, girl scouts, and is learning to play the piano. Both of these young people are active in our youth ministries here at FEPC.

When you hear brass instruments in church some Sunday morning, you might just be hearing Chuck and Cameron, as they both play trumpet.

Kris recently had surgery. She says, "we were overwhelmed with everyone who reached out, offered support, and gave meals. We feel so blessed to have found such a caring and supportive church family. Thank you so much!"

More recently, I know Kris has already been passing that blessing along by providing a meal for another member who had surgery. Welcome to our FEPC family!



Life in the Body of Christ

Thank you

- Wow! What a birthday party! A special thanks to Janice and all her elves who helped make it happen. I also want to thank everyone who came with their good wishes, hand shakes, cards and a big smile. What a day! Praise our Lord for being among us. And how about that cake! I would call it a Marvel Special. ~~ Carroll Johnson
- What a blessing we were to at least 150 families in our community when we hosted the Mobile Food Pantry. Thank you to all for financial support as well as physical help providing a light breakfast, registering people and distributing food. We will be hosting the food pantry again. ~~ Jack, Marty and Sally

Congratulations!

- Mike and Abby (Davis) ... a.k.a. Mr. & Mrs. Montgomery, married August 24.

Save the Dates!!!



ATTENTION!!!!! A new church directory is in the works! Save <u>October 10-12</u> to get your picture taken for the directory. Any pictures you buy will be ready before Christmas.

Schedule Your Church Directory Photo Shoot(s)

It's time to sign up for your photo session. Lifetouch representatives will be here to take our church directory pictures Thursday—Saturday, October 10-12. Signing up for your photo session must be done online. If you are unable to sign up online, please contact Grayce Moore or Rae Jahn for assistance.

In addition to scheduling a session for your directory photo, **NEW** this year is an opportunity to schedule additional, generational photo sessions. If you want your extended family in a group photo, or if you want multiple family photos, you must schedule a separate photo session for each grouping. Examples: a grouping of you and all the grandchildren, a grouping of all your children and grandchildren, a separate grouping of each of your children and their children. These would require scheduling a separate photo session for each group picture. You can sign up for as many sessions as you want, in addition to the session for your church directory photo.

To schedule your photo session(s) go to **www.fepcfrankfort.org** Once there, select **Schedule Your Photo** to the right of the scrolling pictures. The Schedule Your Photo page includes a red link 1st-Presbyterian-Frankfort ... click that link. On the next screen click where it says "Click here to schedule your photography session". Then follow the steps on the screen. Once you have completed your schedule, you **must** create a login and password to save your schedule. When you are finished you will receive an email confirmation. It may sound complicated, but it really isn't. You can do it! And remember, if you run into trouble, contact Grayce Moore or Rae Jahn.

If you do not have a computer or are not comfortable navigating a computer, watch for a church announcement of a time when we will provide assistance.

Borrowing Policy

NOTE: There has been a **CHANGE** in who to contact if you want to borrow chairs, tables or other equipment from the church. To make plans to borrow any of these items, please contact **Colleen Spencer** to be certain the items have not already been reserved and are available.

International Friendship Program

Opportunity to Connect: Are you open to stretching your outreach muscles? We are expecting 2,800 *new* international students to arrive in July/August at Purdue. Ten percent (280) of these students are expected to join the International Friendship Program. They are hoping to gain insight about American culture by connecting with you! We need volunteers willing to include a student in family activities 3 to 4 times during the semester – over coffee, dinner, or a weekend get-together. This is an easy way to gain a lifelong friend and make a lifelong impact.

New host orientations are scheduled between July 5th and August 2nd that people can register for now at <u>https://forms.gle/3SvP2nsQxMLw6wur7</u>. For more information, please email <u>friend-ship@purdue.edu</u>.

Jobs for Life

Our Tuesday & Thursday classes will begin September 17 and run for 8 weeks with graduation on November 8. These classes are held in Fellowship Hall from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Please pray for the students God will lead to the classes, as well as for the Champions, Instructors and the support team that makes it all happen.