

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

August 2021

Prayer with the Pastor

Continues each Monday @ 7:00 a.m.

NO Sunday School During August

Community Worship

Sunday, August 1
Prairie Creek Park 10—11 a.m.

Quilts on Wings

Friday, August 6 @ 9:30-11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Mobile Food Pantry

Thursday, August 12 10:30 a.m.—1 p.m.

Ice Cream Social

Saturday, August 28 Fellowship Hall @ 7-8 p.m.

5th Sunday Offering

Sunday, August 29, 2021

Borrowing Policy

If you need to borrow tables, chairs or other equipment from the church, please be sure to check with **the Trustees** to be sure it won't be needed or hasn't been reserved by someone else.

The policy states that we will not lend out kitchen equipment.

5th Sunday Offering

August 29 will be our next 5th Sunday Offering. Deacons have designated this offering to help pay for remodeling projects in the WeCare recovery home across the street (church manse).

Looking Ahead ...

No Sunday School in August

Sunday, August 1: NO Worship at FEPC

Plan to attend: Community Worship from 10-11 a.m.

Prairie Creek Park 260 E. Washington St.

In case of rain, meet at First Christian Church 58 S. Columbia St.

VBS

The report is in. Last week was a fun time for 25 students and lots of volunteer helpers. **THANK YOU** to all who gave items for crafts or provided snacks or helped in any way. VBS was a success because of the prayers and support of our congregation.

Look for pictures on a separate page in this newsletter.

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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

Abby Montgomery

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

brasilianheart@gmail.com Prayer Requests

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SERMON INFORMATION

Aug 1 - COMMUNITY WORSHIP

Prairie Creek Park @ 10 a.m. Rain location: First Christian Church—58 S. Columbia St.

Aug 8 - "The Fear of the Lord and the Call to Wisdom" Proverbs 1:1-33

Aug 15 -Communion

"Instructions from Parents to Children" Proverbs 4

Aug 22 - "Lady Wisdom vs Lady Folly: Living in God's Moral Universe" Proverbs 9

Aug 29 -5th Sunday Offering

"The Proverbs of Solomon: A Teachable Heart" Proverbs 10-15

NO Sunday School in August

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

On Summer Break



Life in the Body of Christ

Condolences

- to the family of Kay Maddock, who went to be with the Lord July 20

Thank You

- Thank you for all the cards and food during my stay in the hospital. Marvel Albitz

Congregational Care Ministry ... Has a New Name:

3 C's Committee

Connecting—Cares—Concerns will be the focus of this committee. Members include:

Karen Biery, Joyce Peters, Patty Nash, Susan Calloway and Doyle Bell.

Their first Connecting event will be an ice cream social in Fellowship Hall—Saturday, August 28 from 7-8 p.m.



Stephen Ministry at FEPC

Stephen Minister Training Applications Still Available

The deadline for applications for the Fall Stephen Minister Training class is being extended until August 8th. Here are some reflections from other Stephen Ministers:

"I was kind of sitting on the sidelines in our congregation. Oh, I came to church, but the rest of the week I was focused on myself. But when I said yes to God's call to me for Stephen Ministry, I saw a lot of changes in my life. Now I'm committed to caring more about others than I do about myself. And I'm walking closer with my Lord."

"At first I wasn't sure about this caregiving stuff. Didn't I love others enough already? Then I finished my Stephen Minister training and met with the person for whom I provided care. Now I know what Christian love is all about as I've provided a consistent, caring presence in their life and experienced God's deeper presence with me in my caring."

A new training class starts the week of September 13, and applications are available in the church office or by contacting Amanda Trent or Marty Rodkey.



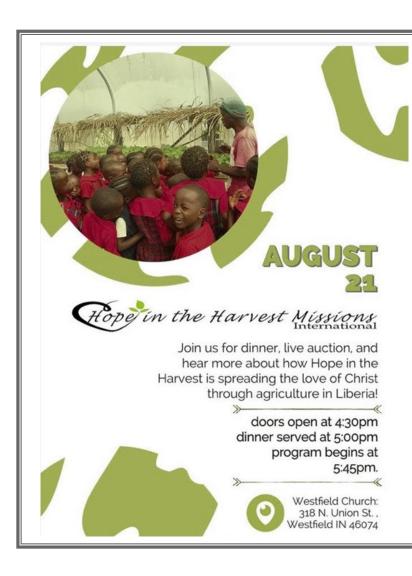
Quilts on Wings

Thank you to all who have stepped up and said they want to help with this unique ministry. Beginning in **August** our meetings will be **the first Friday** each month from **9:30—11:30 a.m.** We will meet in Fellowship Hall, where we have space to spread out and work on various tasks as needed.

While Grace on Wings will be the primary recipient of our quilts, we are looking at extending the ministry to other local organizations.

If you aren't able to actively participate in this ministry, you can support us by praying for the ministry and by donating used, washable blankets. These will be used for fillers instead buying batting.

If you have questions, please contact Peggy Williams or Miriam Curts ... or, feel free to join us Friday, August 6 @ 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.



Join us for a free will offering dinner, sample Liberian food and enjoy Pastor Bill's amazing catering.

Participate in the silent auction with everything from weekend getaway stays to one of a kind Liberian quilts.

Learn more about our RISE UP CHALLENGE, and hear an in person update from Missionaries Bill and Holly Sebald, listen in on interviews with our Liberia team and friends.

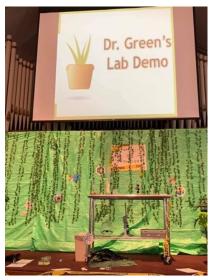
Reservations are not needed but encouraged, message us for more information.

2021 VBS ...

When the Pastor's Office is too small ... He moves the planning Meeting to the hall!







2021 VBS ... Pictures from Day 1





















Caroline Queen going into 7th grade.

- 1. What was your favorite group game? Why was it your favorite? My favorite camp activity was the slip and slide because we had to climb up it while putting water into a bucket that was on someone's head then we would slide down.
- 2. Who got more shaving cream ... Pastor Kelly or Jarrod Boe? I would say that Boe got more shaving cream because we had to cover him in it.
- 3. What was the theme of the week and what did that mean to you? The theme of the week was Christmas and Christmas is important because that is when Jesus our Savior came to Earth.
- 4. *Did you win any competition and what was the prize?* Sadly, I didn't win any tournaments, but I did tie for 2nd in Uno and 3rd in carpetball. As a group we won first overall in the competitions!!
- 5. Tell us something new you learned about your relationship with God. Something I learned about my relationship with God is that your relationship doesn't depend on whether you do good things or bad things, but rather your faith in God.

Lily Rockhold going into 7th grade.

- 1. What was your favorite group game? Why was it your favorite? My favorite group game was don't drop baby Jesus. That was when you would throw a greasy watermelon and the next person had to catch it.
- 2. Who got more shaving cream ... Pastor Kelly or Jarrod Boe? I think Jarrod Boe got more shaving cream.
- 3. What was the theme of the week and what did that mean to you? The theme of the week was Christmas in July. What it meant to me was I got to hear some stories that I have not heard for a little while.
- 4. *Did you win any competition and what was the prize?* I got 3rd in the 9 square tournament and I had so much fun just playing. The prize was getting more points for the team.
- 5. Tell us something new you learned about your relationship with God. I learned God makes every thing in your life happen for a reason and it can be good or bad; and he is always with you even if you get off course every once in a while.

Amanda Trent My reflections on Great Escape:

Having never been to the Great Escape, even when FEPC went in Pennsylvania, I wasn't sure what to expect. When kids had returned from Great Escape in previous years and given their returning reports, they mostly shared about songs and dance moves. I was hoping for something with a bit more content, but understood that these were also middle schoolers. The Great Escape program is well done and has an excellent balance between relevant material and Scripture-based content. Our middle schoolers were challenged to consider the theme "Christmas in July" and what the significance of the name Immanuel, God with us, has to do with our everyday life. Another aspect of Great Escape that I wasn't expecting was a week-long, point-based competition which our students ran into with everything they had. At first, I was worried because I know how competitive they can be and was concerned about their sportsmanship and Christ-like attitude in all circumstances. They made me proud by making sure they won competitions fairly and were honest about their gameplay even when other teams were given an advantage because we were so far in the lead. My favorite part of the Great Escape was either small groups (I took the girls, Kelly and Boe took the guys) or family time (we were all together). Everyone took it very seriously and the best night, in my opinion, was when each person talked about ways we can feel God with us and closer to Him when we came back home. Each of us came up with a plan of action and I'm looking forward to the accountability we can provide each other as brothers and sisters in Christ.





Lined up for dinner











Everyone gets shaving cream!

Sandman Building Contest



Prepping the sheep



Little Boe Sheep



Herding the sheep



Shaving cream fight



Hosing off



3rd place — 9 square



1st place — 9 square



1st & 2nd in Gaga Ball























FEPC Construction ... Almost Complete

The Walkway between the back of the sanctuary and the 1st floor is complete. Now we wait for the elevators to pass inspection so we can celebrate the completion.









Looking toward the door into the sanctuary. The window that was where the door was installed has been put into the walkway. And it has been installed with lights that can be turned on at night. We now have 2 short pews at the back to allow access to the walkway.



Looking from the Sanctuary into the Walkway.



The lighted window from the courtyard.



Pots in the courtyard.





More courtyard pictures.

RAPPY BIRTHDAY

August

- 1—Dwight Herin Amanda Trent
- 2—Jane Kivett
- 5—Butch Doan
 Don Reno
- 6—Karen Biery Suzi Pluhar
- 7—Josh Swinford
- 9—John Rockhold Sharon Palmer
- 12—Suzie Ransom Beverly Thies
- 15—Sharon Cunningham
- 18—Katia Beardsley
 Mackenna Eldridge
- 20—Megan Sheets
- 21—Jackie Detherage Sam Troyer
- 24—Deb Boe
- 26—Jane Claudon

 Maria Lopez

 Jeff Moore (Amanda)

 Jack Scheid
- 27—Hunter Haynes
 Connie Milholland
- 28—Seth Troyer
- 31—Lee Albitz
 Brice Stingley

August Anniversaries

- 3—Butch & Linda Doan Dwight & Lydia Herin
- 4—Matt & Kristen Beardsley
- 6—Steve & Teresa Beardsley
- 7—Joel & Carleigh Wilson
- 10—Kenny & Sandy Meyer
- 12—Bob & Patty Meredith
- 17—Andrew & Crystal Stewart
- 21—Mark & Ashley Haynes Jack & Suzie Ransom
- 24—Mike & Abby Montgomery
- 29—Stan & Nancy Smith
- 31—Greg & Courtney Meyer

