

# THE CHIMES

A CHURCH WITH A HEART

IN THE HEART OF THE CITY.

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### FPC Meetings

- October 1 ..... 5:45 p.m. Deacons Meeting
- October 2 ..... 6:00 p.m. Adventures in Worship
- October 3 ..... 6:30 p.m. Jammin' at Java
- October 7 ..... 5:00 p.m. Gatherers Group
- ..... 5:30 p.m. CE Meeting
- ..... 6:00 p.m. Facilities/Witness Team Meetings
- October 8 ..... 6:00 p.m. Personnel Team Meeting
- October 9 ..... 6:00 p.m. Worship Ministry Team
- October 10 ..... 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry
- October 14 ..... 5:30 p.m. Communications
- ..... 6:30 p.m. Finance Ministry Team
- October 15 ..... 7:00 p.m. Session
- October 16 ..... 3:30 p.m. Comfort My People
- ..... 6:00 p.m. Adventures in Worship
- October 21 ..... **CHIMES DEADLINE**
- October 27 ..... 4-6 p.m. Fall Carnival



## Trunk or Treat

Trunk -or- Treating, also called Halloween tailgating, is the latest twist to the ritual of door to door candy collecting. Trunk-or-treating brings Halloween from the uncertain streets to the safety of our church parking lot. **We need volunteers to decorate your trunk or tailgate with Halloween fun or any theme of your choice and bring some candy to hand out to the little ones.** As the kids leave our Fall Carnival we will have a parade for you to enjoy the kids costumes as well as the kids to enjoy some safe Halloween fun. Feel free to dress in costume yourself for the children to enjoy your costume as much as you enjoy theirs.

October 27th  
Fall Carnival 4-6pm  
Trunk-or-treating 530pm

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 9:15 AM Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:00 AM CCS 11:00 AM Worship 5:30 PM Pastor's Adult Bible Study/Youth Groups	30 5:00 PM Gatherers Group 5:30 PM CE Team Meeting 6:00 PM Facilities/Witness Meetings	1 12:30 PM Knit Wifs 1:00 PM PDG 5:45 PM Deacons	2 9:30 AM Meshach BIBLE Study 10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study 6:00 PM AIW 7:00 PM Spirit & Truth Practice 7:30 PM Choir practice	3 6:30 PM Jammin at Java	4 Pastor's Sabbath	5 7:30 AM Men's Group-Java Hut, Vermillion St. 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM College Age Bible Study
6 <b>SIGN-UP FOR ADVENT DEVOTIONALS</b> World Communion Sunday 9:15 AM Worship/Deacons Offering 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Coffee Hour 11:00 AM CCS 11:00 AM Worship/Deacons Offering 5:30 PM Pastor's Adult Bible Study/Youth Groups	7 5:00 PM Gatherers Group 5:30 PM CE Team Meeting 6:00 PM Facilities/Witness Meetings	8 12:30 PM Knit Wifs 1:00 PM PDG 6:00 PM Personnel Team Meeting-CE Room 7:00 PM Ruth Circle	9 9:30 AM Meshach BIBLE Study 10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study 6:00 PM Worship Meeting 7:00 PM Spirit & Truth Practice 7:30 PM Choir practice	10 Tina out of office 9:30 AM Rachel Circle 12:00 PM Pictorial Directory Mtg 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Meeting	11 Pastor's Sabbath 6:30 PM 39ers	12 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM College Age Bible Study
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20 <b>STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY</b> 9:15 AM Worship/Youth Offering 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Stewardship Brunch 11:00 AM Shining Stars/Painting Pumpkins 5:30 PM Pastor's Adult Bible Study/Youth Groups	21 <b>"CHIMES" DEADLINE</b> 5:00 PM Gatherers Group Meeting	22 12:30 PM Knit Wifs 1:00 PM PDG	23 9:30 AM Meshach BIBLE Study 10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study 7:00 PM Spirit & Truth Practice 7:30 PM Choir practice	24 2:00 PM Lydia Circle	25 Pastor's Sabbath 5:00 PM Pickup-Stine Rehearsal	26 2:30 PM Pickup-Stine Wedding 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM College Age Bible Study
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Dr. Jimmy's Spiritual Rx: "A Pumpkin Carver's Prayer" – See Colossians 3:17

I've often said that God is as interested in the mundane, routine, or small aspects of our lives as with the so-called major events which come our way. Jesus himself pointed out that one who gives a cup of cold water in his name is doing the Father's work. As many of you know, I enjoy growing pumpkins each year and later this month many of us will be carving pumpkins for Halloween and maybe also for cooking. In keeping with the truth that God is in all aspects of our lives including the routine – even carving pumpkins – we can talk with God – for God is definitely interested 😊

A Pumpkin Carver's Prayer

Dear God: As I carve my pumpkin help me say this prayer

Open my mind so I can learn more of you;
(as the top is carved)

Take away all my sin and forgive me for the wrong things I do;
(as the inside is cleaned away)

Open my eyes so Your love I will see;
(carve the eyes to be shaped like hearts)

I'm sorry for turning up my nose to all You've given me;
(carve the nose in the shape of a cross)

Open my ears so Your Word I will hear;
(carve mouth in shape of a fish)

Open also my mouth so I can tell others You're near;
(continue carving mouth in shape of a fish)

Let Your light shine in all I say and do! Amen
(as you place a candle/light inside to welcome your Trick or Treating guests!)



This Food Pantry is a BLESSING . . . Thanks to you who donate, many families are being fed. We have found that there are quite a few new families requesting food because, when they get their check and pay their power bill and buy gas to get back and forth to work, they have no money left for food. Your donations of food are touching the lives of many people. The Deacons

wish to thank you for your generosity. Meats & Toiletries such as Bath Soap, Shampoo, Toilet Paper, Tooth Paste, Tooth Brushes, etc. are needed every week.

- October 6 . Canned Meats/Spaghetti/Sauce/Velveeta/Crackers/Soups
October 13 ..... Jelly/Boxed Meals/Fruit/Canned Meats/Soups/Jello
October 20 .... Cereals/Oatmeal/Jelly/Peanut Butter/Mac & Cheese
October 27 . Meats/Boxed Meals/Fruit/Crackers/Velveeta/Jelly

Circle Meetings

Tuesday, October 8 ~ Ruth Circle will meet on Tuesday, October 8, at 7:00 pm at the home of Muriel Mullins, 101 Sunnyside Dr. Bible study, "Dispatches to God's Household: The General Epistles." lesson 8. A social hour will follow the lesson. All women are invited.

Thursday, October 10 ~ Rachel Circle will meet in the Boardroom at 9:30 am.

Thursday, October 24 ~ Lydia Circle will meet Thursday, October 24, at 2 pm, at the home of Virginia Stewart, 601 W. Roselawn. Devotions will be given by Mary Thompson. Esther Williams will lead the study on The Beatitudes, Lesson 7.

Greeters

- October 6 ..... Jim & Marj Gilliland
October 13 ..... Brian & Shelbi Black
October 20 ..... Carryl Fox & Jean Quick
October 27 ..... Mid Riggle & Kolby Riggle

Chancel Guild

October ..... Captain; Muriel Mullins, Lisa & Jay Cline.

Meals on Wheels

- October 4 ..... Mary Hardy & Janice Kain
October 11 ..... OPEN
October 18 ..... Jennie Burke & Judy Cox
October 25 ..... Marj & Jim Gilliland

Coffee Hour

- October 6 ..... Eva Cornwell
October 13 ..... Judy & Bob Iverson
October 20 ..... STEWARDSHIPBRUNCH
October 27 ..... OPEN

Cookies

- October 6 ..... Karen Schildt & Eva Cornwell
October 13 ..... Judy Iverson
October 20 ..... STEWARDSHIPBRUNCH
October 27 ..... OPEN

Flowers

- October 6 ..... In Memory of Rev. Joe Bury
..... In Memory of Thelma Laker
October 13 ..... In Memory of Monte Goodwin's birthday
October 21 .... In Honor of Jason & Anne Binette's 3rd Ann
October 28 ..... OPEN

Flowers to shut-ins

- October 7-11 ..... OPEN
October 14-18 ..... Carol McLinden
October 21-25 ..... Pat de Place
October 28-Nov. 1 ..... Judy Iverson

Liturgist

- October 6 ..... Pat Kuhs
October 13 ..... Mary Hardy
October 20 ..... Ruth Pancoast
October 27 ..... Bobbie McHone

Ushers ~ Team #1

Judy Laker, Captain; Kolby Riggle; Judy Iverson; Bob Iverson; Peggy Gibson; Rosie Newton; Bev Royce; Robert Crabb; Margaret Crabb; Stan Hardy; Mary Hardy; Scott Hardy; Carolyn VanPelt; and Janice Kain.

FALL Office Hours ~ 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Ongoing: Julia Andrews; Kay Barrett (Ruth Pancoast's sister-cancer); Bobbie Byerly; Helen Cade; Roy & Jean Christison; Patsy Cline (Jay Cline's mother); Carlene Coddington (friend of Muriel Mullins); Doris Collins (Esther Williams' sister-broken shoulder); Mary Dison; Dr. Robert Elhammer; Harry & Scotty Geades; Barbara Hood; Jane King; Robbie Lewis; Roberta McNeill (Janet Martin's mother-in-law/Bob's mother); Audrey Oswalt; Catherine Ribbe; Jake Ruder (brain tumor); Linda Rummels; Nancy Voss; Gary Waller; Nancy Walser; Margaret Ward; Our Nation's President and all elected leaders.

Recent: Diane Bales; Harley & Joyce Black (friends of George Milner); Mary Brown (Glee Cumbow's sister-in-law-breast cancer); Debbie Catron (Mary Hardy's friend-cancer); Richard Chapman (friend of Jim Gilliland); Kathleen Cole; John Crook (cancer); Wayne Dawes (friend of Lisa & Jay Cline-waiting for heart transplant); Keely Ellis (Muriel Mullins' granddaughter); Judy Falvo (Esther Williams' niece); Kenny Foster (friend of Connie Lovell); John Grygiel (friend of Linda Curtis-leg amputation); Deborah Huckleby; Mary Jane Johnson (Ruth Pancoast's sister; heart problem & liver transplant); Eva Jones (friend of Nancy Walser-breast cancer); Steve Kirby (cancer surgery); Inez & Deronda Kimberlin; Carolyn Lewis (Peggy Welch's sister-cancer); Walter Lovell; Alex McMahon (Eva Cornwell's neighbor-cancer); Marion Maden; Callan Masterson; Monroe Melzer; Debbie Mullins; John & Mert Meyer; Grace Newman; Mary Noremborg; Nancy Orlea; Morgan O'Tino (cousin of Malachi Hazelbaker); Craig Page (Larken Parr's uncle); Colten Robertson (family of Lisa Cline-newborn, congenital heart disease); Taylor Schendel (multiple sclerosis (20 yr old friend of Harriet Hymer); Kyle Seeley (Brian & Shelbi Black's cousin-meningitis & ventriculitis); Chris Sigm; Harlan Smith (friend of Betty Kannapel-advancing dementia); Lauren Smith (contracted malaria while on a mission trip-friend of Judy Laker); Victoria Thompson (breast cancer-Houston, TX); Barbara Todd (friend of Judy Laker); Nancy & Charles Winchester; The family of Bob Pape.

Military Service: Sgt. Robert Creamer; Justin Flynn (deployed to Afghanistan); Nicholas Harvey (Marine stationed in Okinawa, Japan, Parents: Allan & Lisa Harvey); SFC Thomas Kuchefski (Pat Phillips' nephew); TSgt. Adam Beal (Lois Stevenson's grandson); Billy Jackman (Sharon Huffman's grandson-in-law-Saudia Arabia); Daniel & Heather Nasser (Butch & Shirley Creamer's grandson & granddaughter-in-law); John Tanner; Samantha Grimes (boot camp-US Marines); and all men and women that serve and others on prayer board across from office.

Expectant Parents: Zachary and Renee Claypool (Sheila's son & daughter-in-law; due in February).

FPC Seminary Student & Inquirer for the Ministry: Rachel Riggle (Pittsburgh Theological Seminary) James Potts (McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago).

Weekly Bible Study with Pastor Jimmy has Resumed!

On Sunday evenings beginning at 5:30 PM, the weekly mid-high youth group and adult Bible study meetings gather for a light supper then Pastor Jimmy meets with the adults for Bible study. The adult Bible study is also repeated on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM in the church board room. The theme for the adult Bible study this Fall is entitled, "Soteriology - i.e. "Salvation," or, "What's Going to Happen to Us?"

Home Communion

With World Communion Sunday in October, the Pastor will also be delivering communion to our home bound and nursing home resident members. As of this writing, dates are still being scheduled. If you would like to have home communion or know of someone who would, please contact the church office.



Tour of Leaves Cook-out at the Church Retreat Site

Church members and their friends are invited to an after worship cook-out on Sunday, October 13 at the church retreat site beginning at 2:30 PM. If you haven't seen the retreat center in some time this will be a great time to come and take a look while enjoying fellowship and food with your church friends. Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided by the church as well as iced tea and paper goods. Those attending can bring a favorite picnic dish to share. The leaves should be underway in changing their colors for the Fall. There is no program for this event except coming out to walk around the retreat site property and enjoy food and fellowship.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Wilma Barry ..... October 1
Linda Curtis ..... October 1
Wilma Thomas ..... October 1
Yvonne Tarr ..... October 2
Katie Torrey ..... October 2
Carol Douglas ..... October 2
Jim Gilliland ..... October 3
Marjorie Maden ..... October 4
Bob Martin ..... October 4
Becky Clawson ..... October 4
Marjorie Gilliland ..... October 9
Justina Uchenna-Amadi ..... October 11
Jane King ..... October 11
Merle Cramer ..... October 12
Jim DeBoer ..... October 13
Dick Burch ..... October 14
Larissa Calton ..... October 15
Susan Garrison ..... October 18
Chase Connelly ..... October 19
Becky France ..... October 19
Helen Strough ..... October 20
Linda Anderson ..... October 26
Khorye Huffman ..... October 26
Augie Hoeflinger ..... October 28

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- Anne & Jason Binette ..... October 23
Jim & Marjorie Gilliland ..... October 30

Our Fall Sunday Schedule Is:

- Worship: ..... 9:15 a.m.
Coffee Hour: ..... 10:30 a.m.
Contemporary Christian Studies (CCS) ..... 11:00 a.m.



FAITH LINE -- 444-5999 -- A Voice of Inspiration available 24 Hours

Campbell Soup Bar Codes



As the Fall weather creeps in and the days and evenings are cooling down, please remember as you make that hot bowl of soup and a sandwich, to save the bar codes from the labels and bring them in.

Your Vital Papers Preparing for Sharing

In every family there are bound to be certain crises or "change points" when important decisions must be made, sometimes quickly, that affect the family's welfare. All too often these decisions must be made during a time of stress, as when a spouse has passed or become seriously ill, or when a couple faces a change of career. Such situations sometimes find a family "flying blind" without the financial and documentary information needed for sound handling of their affairs.

A good record retention system consists of the following:

- 1.) A record book or Personal Financial Affairs Record, 2.) A safe deposit box, and 3.) An at-home filing system.

Over the next few months we will be offering some information and a few tips on keeping track of your vital papers, so that you and appropriate family members will know where they are, when they are needed. As a church family, we are always looking for ways to help and support each other, particularly in times of trial.

The Gatherers Group



**Men's Fellowship continues meeting the First Saturday of Each Month**

Saturday, October 5 is the date to remember for this month's men's fellowship group that will be meeting again at the Java Hut downtown. The time is 7:30 AM. Join us for coffee, visiting, and prayer and bring a friend.



**Food Pantry**

Many area residents continue to face tougher times with the higher price of gasoline, utilities, and groceries.

The number of first-time referrals to our church's food pantry continues to grow over the past two years. Please take note in the worship bulletin each week and in the "Chimes" each month about particular items that are needed and feel free to also bring additional items whenever you can. Thank you for your continued assistance and care.



"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you,"  
~Philippians 1:3~



October is Pastor Appreciation Month

**First Sunday in October World Communion Sunday and Peacemaking Offering Received**

The first Sunday in October - which this year is October 6 - is the Sunday we celebrate communion with the whole Christian world. Communion will again be served in the four corners of the sanctuary to symbolize the diversity of our geography and God's children throughout the world - east, west, north, and south. Communion will also be served in the 11:00 AM service in the chapel. Consider this your invitation from Jesus Christ to attend this very special "dinner" being given in his honor.

The Session has also approved the receipt of the PCUSA annual Peacemaking Offering. The Presbyterian Peacemaking Offering supports efforts of Presbyterians at local, regional, national, and international levels to bring "leaves of healing" of Christ's peace. The offering is received on World Communion Sunday in recognition that God's healing is offered to all people of all nations and that in taking the bread and cup of Communion we are united in Christ with one another in the work of healing.

Detailed information about the use of the offering has is available on the PCUSA web site and in the church office. There will also be a bulletin insert in worship. And, during the last hymn on that day, worshipers can use the Peacemaking Offering envelopes that will also be in the bulletin. This year seventy-five percent of the received offering will stay with the church to be used for our Deacons' ministries. If you wish for all of your extra offering on this Sunday to be for only the Deacons, you can give your offering without using the Peacemaking offering envelope.



**Fall Women's Retreat**

It is almost time for our annual Women's Retreat! Join us Friday, Nov. 1, 2013 6p.m. - 9p.m. and Saturday Nov. 2, 2013 9a.m. - 2p.m. for a fun, relaxing weekend with your gal pals. Friday dinner will be served at 6p.m., Saturday will include Breakfast at 9a.m. and luncheon at noon. You are welcome to stay the night and join the pajama party! Jesus has been invited! See you at the Retreat Site for 'Gifts, 'Eat, Love, and Pray'. Oh, and bring your favorite snack to share." Sign up in the office today.



The Holy Sacrament of Baptism for Maddox Mir Alikhan  
September 8, 2013



**"From the Desk of the Deacons"**  
October 2013  
By Janet Martin

The Board of Deacons reconvened on September 3. Thank you to Kolby Riggie who served as moderator during the past year. Bill Garrison was welcomed as our moderator for the coming year and Carol McLinden is our recording secretary. Welcome to the Class of 2016 newly ordained/appointed deacons Jay Cline, Bill Garrison, Jean Land and Ashley Peasley! We are encouraged to see new faces and we are grateful for the service of those who continue to serve. Sadly, the Deacon's fund at this meeting in September totaled \$723.31. As those of you who heard Kolby's "Moment for Mission" on Sunday, September 1st, this amount won't surprise you! I checked with the office to see if the total had increased. I can report it has. We are facing many obligations to serve others in the upcoming months including packing and sending the military and college baskets as well as our annual Christmas baskets. Our pledge to serve the community offering food continues and the needs are increasing. I know we will meet those obligations as we always have but I wouldn't be a "good" Deacon if I didn't remind you! Thank you for your continued support and encouragement. The Deacons are grateful and able because you care. God bless you always.

*"Get the right perspective By looking up and Remembering that I am Your power source. I'm watching over you and Won't let you slip or fall. Nothing is too difficult for Me. Wait upon Me, and I'll renew you and help you To soar above the obstacles Of life so you won't quit. Encouraging you, Your Heavenly Father"*  
—from Psalm 121:2-5; Luke 1:37; Isaiah 40:31





## Christmas in October? (again ☺)

Worship Ministry Team is again seeking this year volunteers to help write devotionals for the special church advent devotional and worship book that will be published and available in late November prior to the beginning of Advent. It will again include suggestions for family advent wreath devotionals, daily devotionals from the first Sunday of Advent through December 25, and the order of worship for all of the Sundays in Advent and Christmas Eve. Please check out the list of Scriptures and days in Advent to choose from in the church lounge between services or contact Pastor Jimmy who will also have the list of Scriptures on which to base the devotionals – the theme for the Advent book this year is “Such a Strange Way to Save the World,” based on the title of the Christmas song with the same name. Each devotional should be about 110 words, or less, and should be turned in to the church office by November 1.

## Fall Carnival



Sunday afternoon October 27<sup>th</sup> we will have our annual Fall Carnival. From 4 to 6 pm we will gather in the gym to play games and eat hot dogs and enjoy cupcake walks. Every player wins religious or fall-themed prizes and the carnival will again conclude with children going to the parking lot for “trunk or treat” provided by some of our church members so children will have candy to take home as well! Children are encouraged to wear costumes, but nothing scary please. Those willing to help are needed for chaperones and to help with all the games and provide for trunk or treat. And as always, we will enjoy Pastor Jimmy’s world famous(?) cotton candy! Come join this fun outreach to our community. Invitations will also be available to hand out in our neighborhoods – they can be obtained from the church office. Or, let the church office know if you can help hand out the invitations in the immediate neighborhood of the church.

## Faith Line Phone Ministry News



The Faith Line is again fully staffed by seven church or staff members bringing messages of inspiration and hope via the faith line – 444-5999. Messages are usually changed each day by 10:00 AM. Reminder stickers are also available in the church office for members to have or to hand out to friends and neighbors. Your current Faith Line Volunteers are: Sunday – Bobbie McHone; Monday – Linda Curtis; Tuesday – Toby Peck; Wednesday – Pastor Jimmy; Thursday – Karen Schildt; Friday – Bob Iverson; Saturday – Sheila Smiley.

## Church Youth Calendar for October

- **Thursday, October 3, 6:00 PM** – *Jammin’ at the Java at Vermilion Place*
- **Sunday, October 6, 5:30 PM** – *Meet for pizza and then Bible study*
- **Sunday, October 13, 2:30 PM** – *Tour of Leaves Church Cook-Out at Retreat Site* **5:30 PM** – *Same as Sunday evening, October 6*
- **Sunday, October 20, 5:30 PM** – *Meet at church for Pizza and then go bowling at Lincoln Lanes*
- **Sunday, October 27, 3:00 – 6:00 PM** – *Set up in church gym and then run annual Fall Carnival*

## College Age Bible Study Group

The group began meeting Saturdays last year, and unless otherwise announced, will meet at the church each Saturday at 5:30 PM for supper and Bible study. For more information, you may contact Youth Director Kelly Whitehair at 217-516-8252

## 2014 Mission Trip

Gatherers’ Group is meeting every two weeks for the time being in order to complete a successful stewardship season as well as plan for the 2014 Group Workcamps Mission Trip which is coming to Danville July 7-11, 2014. If you would like information or have interest in helping in any way, the Gatherers’ meetings are the place to be.

*Memorials for Helen Hackman  
Martha Christy*

## Session Highlights September 2013

September 24, 2013 Session meeting opened with Prayer, lighting the Christ candle and hymn “*Jesus Love Me*” **Quorum declared:** 13 Present, 5 excused **Clerk’s report** approved for August 2013. **Clerk’s minutes** approved for August 2013 as corrected **Correspondence:** **A)** Received a letter of transfer for Jonathan & Jessica Morse and family from their former Presbyterian Church. **B)** Received the quit claim deed from Hugh Benninger for the grave lots in Springhill Cemetery. The Deed will need to be recorded at the court house. **C)** Letter from Faith in Action asking for workers for the Leaf Raking project approved by Session. **Baptism:** Maddox Mir Alikhan on September 8, 2013. Parents: Aadam Alikhan and Kelly Cresse Alikhan **Commissioner to Presbytery Report:** No report. The next meeting will be in October or November 2013. **Election of Clerk of Session:** Libby Milner **Election of Vice Clerk of Session:** Harriet Hymer **Treasurer Report:** The monthly report was approved for August 2013. Maximum amount has been transferred from the Endowment account for operating expenses for 2013. There will be a shortfall in funds (as was anticipated with the Faith (Deficit) Budget approved in January 2013). See the notes under Finance Team. Treasurer Hymer thanked the Teams for their careful expenditures, but urged them to be even more stringent in the next 3 months. A report from the Endowment Oversight Team was presented. Budget forms for 2014 were given to all team chairpersons **Pastor’s Report:** Approved for August. **A)** Baptisms: Maddox Mir Alikhan. **B)** Chaplaincy at Presence Hospital, nursing home visits, confidential office visits, prospective member contacts and home visits all continue to fill Pastor Jimmy’s schedule. **C)** Thank you from Pastor to those who served while he had to be with his parents in TX. **D)** Session approved request for Picklap/Stine rehearsal and wedding to take place at FPC. The couple has been receiving pre-marital counseling from Pastor Jimmy. **E)** 2014 Work Camp update: 243 youth and adults have registered; this does not include the youth and adults from Danville. **Devotion:** Marj Welchans: “*Can You Sleep When the Wind Blows*” **Team Reports:** **Witness:** No action items. Planning a weekly prayer meeting; finishing curriculum “Coming Home” Series. Reorganizing the team. Distributed reading material to Session about caring for inactive members. **Worship:** No Action items. September 29 Mina Choi will present a “Moment for Missions” on her mission trip to Japan. The 2013 Advent book theme will be “*Isn’t This a Strange*

*Way to Save the World.*” Chancel Guild needs more members. Hanging of the greens will be December 1 with set-up on Saturday November 30<sup>th</sup>. **Communications:** Reports were received from all teams. Reorganizing with Diana Szaras as team leader and taking recommendations for the FPC Website **Christian Ed/Fellowship:** Subscriptions to “*Presbyterian Today*” for church membership has been graciously and anonymous funded - **THANK YOU.** Urged that suitcases be brought to donate to Catholic Social Charities for foster children. No Action items. **Facilities:** George Schildt continues to work on the boiler replacement study. **Action Item:** motion approved to seal and recoat the parking lot. There is some urgency to try to get it done this fall rather than wait due to the amount of deterioration. **Personnel:** Employee evaluations are coming. No action on Job description for Audio/Visual employee, it was remanded back to the team for revision. **Action item:** approved motion to move employee evaluation to March-May time rather than Oct-Dec when Session is busy with budget prep. **Finance:** **A)** Report: presented a Cash Flow Analysis for the balance of this calendar year, projecting a shortfall in the General Fund of approximately \$37,000 — \$50,000. Recalling the projected \$81,000 deficit within the current budget year, this does not come as a surprise. **B)** **Action Item:** approved the use of Cessna Trust funds, received in November of 2012, to meet the projected cash flow shortfall during the final months of 2013. Transfers will be made on a monthly basis. **C)** Organ Renovation Fund update: The Loan from the Investment Fund will be repaid from the 3 sources 1) Pledges held in the organ renovation (\$7,512.41) transferred to the Investment Fund – DONE. 2) Unspecified memorial from 2011 (\$5,996.35) transferred to the Investment Fund — DONE. 3) Pledges yet to be received (\$7,980) **D)** Unanimous motion sustained to elect Jim Anderson & Virginia Wiederhirm as Co-Chairpersons of the Finance Ministry Team for 2013-14 year. **E)** **Action Item:** Session approved Nan Perry’s & Alan Harvey’s appointment to conduct an internal audit of the 2013 financial records of the church when available **Gatherer’s group:** meeting bi-weekly preparing the 2014 Danville Group Work Camp. **Deacons:** The 2013 Peacemaking Offering for this fall will be designated as such: 25% of the offering will go to PCUSA at large and 75% will go to the deacons for help with the Christmas basket project. **Prayers:** For healing, relief of pain and loss. Praise for every blessing given to us. Prayers for discernment during budget prep. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM Respectfully, Harriet Hymer, Vice Clerk of Session

# Shining Stars

October 20 ..... Painting Pumpkins  
 November 17 ..... Pictionary Fun!  
 December 22 ..... Holiday Happening  
 January 26 ..... First Pres Olympics!  
 February 23 ..... Happy Hearts!  
 March 23 ..... Green Galore!  
 April 26 (Saturday) Children's Museum  
 or Zoo, Indianapolis(time to be announced)  
 May 18 ..... Picnic in the Park!

*Shining Stars*, our youngest youth group at First Presbyterian Church, is for children in 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> grades. It meets on Sunday during the second service, except for April when we meet on Saturday for a trip to Indianapolis. Time: 11:00 a.m. – noon. Activities are held in the church unless otherwise noted. Questions . . . contact Nancy Boesdorfer (443-5751).



**New Edition Young Adult Group**

The young adult group of First Presbyterian Church provides a welcoming atmosphere for college and early-career aged young people.



General Fund		
Income & Expense MTD – August 2013		
<b>Beginning Balance:</b>	\$7013.68	<b>\$7013.68</b>
*Current Income:	\$24246.64	
**Fund Transfers:	\$13276.00 (Endowment)	
<b>Total Income &amp; Transfer:</b>		<b><u>\$37522.64</u></b>
Total General fund checking		<b><u>\$44536.32</u></b>
Total General fund Expences	\$32317.22	<b><u>\$32317.22</u></b>
<b>Balance Forward:</b>	\$12219.10	<b>\$12219.10</b>
* <u>Current Income</u> refers to money received during the month from pledges, loose offering, rents income from outside trusts and misc. donations.		
** <u>Fund Transfers</u> refers to budgeted money from the Endowment from earnings and allowable principle. This money is transferred only as needed, approximately quarterly during the year.		



2013 FPC Officer Retreat



NEW OFFICERS  
Ordination and Installation 2013



Welcome Back FPC Choir!



First Presbyterian Church Picnic 2013



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN Church Picnic 2013

