



The Good News

of First Presbyterian Church for October 2018

Now may the Lord of peace give you peace at all times in all ways.
[2 Thessalonians 3:16 (NRSV)]

*Celebrate World Communion Sunday
with Christians around the world October 7*

Come to the Lord's Table

"For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself."

(1 Corinthians 11:29 [NIV])

The first Sunday in October is designated as World Communion Sunday, which celebrates our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world. Paul tells us that we are to "discern the body" when we partake of Holy Communion, mindful that we note our relationship to all our brothers and sisters in Christ in the celebration. It is appropriate that World Communion Sunday is also a time when we receive the annual Peace and Global Witness Offering as a way of continuing the ancient Christian practice of sharing what we have with brothers and sisters in need.

Worldwide Communion Sunday originated in Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh in 1933, was adopted throughout the U.S. Presbyterian Church in 1936, and subsequently spread to other denominations. In 1940, the Federal Council of Churches (now the National Council of Churches) endorsed World Communion Sunday and began to promote it to Christian churches worldwide.

Today, World Communion Sunday is celebrated around the world, demonstrating that the church founded on Jesus Christ peacefully shares God-given goods in a world increasingly destabilized by globalization and global market economies based on greed.

At Christ's Table we are made one with Christ and one with each other, and we are united with the church in every time and place. The unity of the Lord's table is a sign of the unity God wills for all creation. From Christ, the Table, we can go out with joy as witnesses of God's love, to work for the healing and the reconciliation of God's world.

Join Christians around the world at the celebration. Take your place at the Table on Sunday, October 7.

No life can be lived privately.

There must be overflow into the lives of others.

~ Eugene H. Peterson

Organist David Baskeyfield opens *A Festival of Music* season

Time: Sunday, October 14 at 4 p.m.

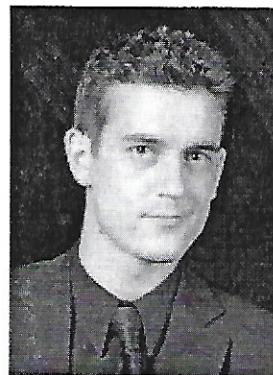
Place: First Presbyterian Church sanctuary

FESTIVAL
OF MUSIC



Season 28 of *A Festival of Music* welcomes David Baskeyfield, concert organist and church musician originally from England and now living in upstate New York. Mr. Baskeyfield specializes in music of the French composers of the 19th and 20th centuries. Hallmarks of his music are a compelling sense of rhythm, crystalline articulation and a truly seamless, soaring legato. His first album features music by Canadian, English and French composers recorded on the landmark Casavant organ of 1914 at St. Paul's church in Toronto.

Mr. Baskeyfield studied law and organ at St John's College, Oxford. His doctorate is from Eastman School of Music in New York. Between Oxford and Eastman he spent a year as organ scholar of Christ Church Cathedral and St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, accompanying or directing their choirs. He is currently Director of Music at Christ Episcopal Church, Pittsford, New York. He has been the recipient of many prizes in competition, including winning the Canadian International Organ Competition in 2014.



David Baskeyfield
in concert

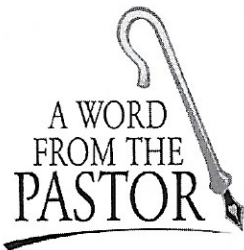
First Presbyterian Church
Sunday, October 14, 2018

Aside from solo performance he enjoys work as a collaborative pianist, continuo player, and occasional cocktail pianist. He has been broadcast on American Public Media's *Pipedreams*, as well as NPR's *With Heart and Voice* and as part of the daily

playlist on the classical station WXXI in New York.

There is no admission fee to the concert, but a freewill offering will be accepted. A dessert reception will follow the concert.

~ Connie Larson and Britta Youmans / Festival of Music



by Rev. T. J. Parlette

October 2018

In the September 12 issue of The Christian Century, Peter Marty wrote a very interesting article that described curiosity as holy. Marty writes:

"In the case of our own spiritual lives, questions of God and of other people are essential to the character of faith. To be without questions of God is less an indication of confident faith and more a lack of spiritual depth.

"For people who decide that faith has more to do with obtaining answers than asking questions, writer Edward Hays has a different idea. He imagines the question mark as a holy symbol. Whereas the exclamation point '!' is emphatic and insistent, the '?' is really a bent over '!' that has bowed its head in humility. Open to a spirit of exploration and wonder, the question mark is both a prayer tool for everyday people and a creative tool of artists, geniuses, and explorer.

"In this run-up to election season, we all have friends, neighbors, perhaps family members with whom we disagree. In our conversation, let's lean on the holiness of curiosity and emphasize the humility of the question mark rather than the insistence of the exclamation. Instead of shaking our head 'No' as the other person speaks, perhaps a better response is to tilt our head and ask 'Why?' when they are finished. 'Why do you think that? That hasn't been my experience, but tell me about your experience.'"

As Marty points out, curiosity and questions are essential to the character of faith.

Peace, T. J.

Flowers benefit from members' TLC (and water)



Now that Fall is here I want to thank everyone who helped keep the potted plants watered this summer. I truly appreciated the help as I have found you can't do it all alone.

These gracious people assisted with flower care: **Alice Kerr, Cindy Kunzman, Bev Lewis, Terry Narr, and Ruth Saling.** Thank you for all of your hard work! It was greatly appreciated.

~ Judy Felten / Master Gardener

A special note of thanks goes to Judy Felten for planting the flowers, organizing the crew, laying down mulch, and keeping watch over everything during the summer!

Stewardship Alive!

Wisdom from John Calvin

- "Whatever a person may be like, we must still love them because we love God."
- "Humility is the beginning of true intelligence."
- "Wherever we see the Word of God purely preached and heard, there a church of God exists, even if it swarms with many faults."
- "It is therefore faith alone which justifies, and yet the faith which justifies is not alone."
- "Scripture is like a pair of spectacles which dispels the darkness and gives us a clear view of God."

First Presbyterian Church Financial Statement / August 2018

General Operating Budget

Balance (7/31/18)	\$ 89,916.89
Receipts (August)	+ 43,972.29
Disbursements (August)	- 55,575.74
Balance (8/31/18)	\$ 78,313.44



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The Good News is published the first of each month for members and friends of First Presbyterian Church (FPC).

The newsletter tells the story of the church, promotes its programs, and publicizes opportunities to live out one's faith.

Deadline for submission of material is the fifteenth of the preceding month.

Church Staff

Pastor	Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette
Associate Pastor	Jay P. Rowland
Director of Music	Lee J. Afdahl
Coordinator of Youth and Christian Education	Susanna L. Stone
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Facility Manager	Harry E. Coleman
Custodian	Tyler Sczurek
Part-time music assistants	Katie Kuisle (Calvin and Cherub Choirs) Janine Yanisch (First Players)
Part-time custodians/security	Vera Brooks, Sally Evans, Tami Rinn, Bob Schalaus
Child Care Workers	Esther Lebron, Margie Schaaf, Taylor Smith, Brenda Thorson
Newsletter Editor	Carol J. Evans
Parish Associates	Roger Ring, Carol Shaffer, James Walker

Sunday services of worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m.
Education classes: Sundays at 9:40 a.m.
Office hours: Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.;
Friday, 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m.; Saturday, 9:30 a.m.-noon

The mission of the First Presbyterian Church of Rochester is to reflect God's love for all people by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS

Offering dedicated to bringing the peace of Christ to the world

The church in every age wrestles with the distance between our immediate desires and God's desires for all creation. The times we are living in are no different and we hold fast to our faith that God's peace is without boundaries. In God's time, our expectations can be expanded by God's faithfulness.

As the body of Christ called Presbyterians, we are making a difference together through our serving and our giving. Together, in the Spirit of God, let us work to break the power of hate and heal the wounds of violence and division. May this season of peace quiet the anxiety in each of us as we pray and boldly take action for God's peace at all times in all ways. When we receive the Peace and Global Witness Offering on World Communion Sunday we are making a transformative impact on people's lives through ministries we choose and ministries across the globe. This is possible because:

- 25% of the offering stays with our congregation to support peacemaking in our community;
- 25% of the offering stays with our mid-councils to unite congregations to support peacemaking in our region;
- 50% of the offering supports ministries of peace and reconciliation being done by Presbyterians across the globe.

You know the need is great. Your gift will make a difference. Please join us by making a generous donation.

~ adapted from *The Rev. Dr. J. Herbert Nelson II / Stated Clerk of the General Assembly*

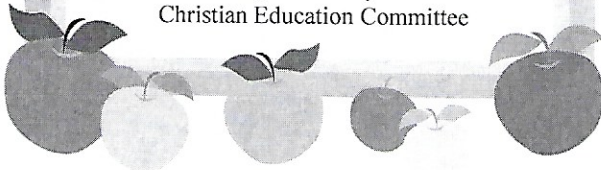
Octoberfest

Wednesday, October 24
5:30-6:30 p.m.

*The signs of Fall are all about
The leaves are turning red
The pumpkins all are coming out
But the sign of Fall we like the best
Is the night of CE's **OCTOBERFEST.***

Join us for brats, hot dogs, German potato salad, sauerkraut, and more with music by Lea Jennings on the accordion!

Sponsored by
Christian Education Committee



from the FPC Parish Nursing program

Build Those Bones



October 20th is World Osteoporosis Day, a great time to focus on the most important part of our bodies that we can't see (hopefully)... our bones! Osteoporosis is the condition of thinning bones. While we think of our bones as unchanging structural

elements, they are living tissues and change over time. With age and nutritional deficiencies, the honeycomb of bone can become thin and unsound and can break easily. How do we fight osteoporosis?

- 1) **Build those bones!** Make sure you and your kids get enough calcium and Vitamin D through diet and supplements
- 2) **Work those bones!** Bones benefit from weight bearing exercise - walking, dancing, or running. (Sorry, swimming does not count.)
- 3) **Know your bones!** Follow your doctor's advice but consider getting a bone scan if you've had a fracture or are a woman past menopause, particularly if you have a family history.
- 4) **Take care of your bones.** Being under or overweight increases your risk of fractures. If you do receive a diagnosis of osteoporosis, take recommended medications to reduce your risk of debilitating fractures.
- 5) **Fight Falls!** Consider joining a class that is proven to reduce your risk of falls such as *Stepping On* or *Matter of Balance*. You can find local offerings by searching your zip code at Wellconnect.com.

~ Ariel Boswell / FPC Parish Nursing coordinator

Madrigal Christmas Feaste canceled for 2018

It is with great disappointment that we announce that the Madrigal Feaste planned for December 1 has been canceled. We faced some unforeseen difficulties in being able to present the event this year. We hope to be able to stage the Feaste in 2019, (the first Saturday in December would be the 7th) and will look at the possibilities around the second quarter of next year.

I would like to thank those who so graciously agreed to help with this huge event and for the work and planning they had already put in: **Lee Afdahl**, music; **Lois Fye**, costumes and props; **Tim Smith**, set and lighting; **Allyson Maurer**, program script and director; **Joe and Julie Doppler**, Chief Butler and Steward and directors of serving; **Sarah Edgerton, Sally Evans** and **Kristin Sorenson**, Head Cooks; **Terry Narr**, Head Cook for Figgy Pudding; **Mary Huie**, Chief Decorator for the Feaste; and **Judy Smithson**, Decorator of the Entrance Hall.

We also thank all the singers who began practice in August: **Lee Afdahl, Chris Boswell, Jim Sessler, Barb Depman, Karen Sessler, Jane Murl, Katie Kuisle, Gayle Jones** and **Laura Smith**.

~ Gayle Jones / Madrigal Feaste coordinator

We remember and honor our friends and loved ones

A Day to Remember: October 28

Each year we remember our loved ones who passed away during the preceding year. We acknowledge and celebrate their lives with us, and know that even as they gave of themselves during their lifetime, so even now they continue to be a part of us.

On October 28 at both worship services we will remember these members who passed away between September 15, 2017 and September 15, 2018.

Edith Johnson Albrecht	Isabel Campbell Huizenga
Steven Allen Aug	David Hugh Jones
Walaska (Val) Battenburg	Kathleen Rae Jones
Mark Wayne Breneman	Nadene (Sunny) Moore
Eran Omer Burgert Jr.	Hilda Marie Nelson
Gordon Kenneth Danielson Jr.	Darlene Ruth O'Malley
Todd David Ellefson	Anneliese Kriege Opitz
Betty Jean Ferschweiler	Aura Jean Peterson
Clifford Felix Gastineau	Beverly Elaine Thoma
Patricia Lou Gastineau	Suzanne McFarland Turlington
Betty Lyle Hanson	

Endowment Fund: using your blessings to serve future generations

All we own, and the earth and life itself, are given to us by God. This stewardship brings with it a responsibility that we, as giving Christians, use our blessings wisely.

The Endowment Fund was established to encourage wise stewardship and to promote special giving to First Presbyterian Church; to provide access to earnings from endowment funds for the financial support of special ministries, education, and capital improvements not within the normal budget of the church; and to provide a financially stable vehicle to receive and invest proceeds derived from gifts and bequests to the funds.

In the past year the Endowment Fund received a donation Alan Sessler, a gift in memory of Omer Burgert, and a gift for the Capital Maintenance Fund in memory of Kathleen Jones.

Since October 2017 the Endowment Fund has provided

Pledge to five-year maintenance projects
from General Endowment interest

MBF nursing scholarship in Léogâne, Haiti
from Bisel Fund

Support for confirmation program
from McIlrath Confirmation Fund

"Home Touch" and cards for C.A.R.E. members
from Wise Cheer Fund

Develop new FPC website
from General Endowment interest

Nursing scholarship in Bangladesh
from Bisel Fund

Medical care for Dr. Martha Sommers
from Bisel Fund

Memorial and Special Tribute Fund: a chance to remember and honor

Our Memorial and Special Tribute Fund consists of money given to the church either in memory of a member or friend of the church or in honor of a special person or event. The money is used for special needs and projects.

Since October 2017 we have received undesignated gifts in memory of these members and friends ~

Edith Albrecht	Patricia Gastineau	Anneliese Opitz
Steven Aug	Betty Hanson	Aura Jean Peterson
Walaska Battenburg	Perry Hewitt	Marion Pitts' mother
Rusty Brown's mother	Isabel Huizenga	Beverly Thoma
E Omer Burgert	David Jones	John Tillotson
Betty Ferschweiler	Kathy Jones	Suzanne Turlington
Clifford Gastineau	Hilda Nelson	

And received gifts in honor of these members ~

Louise Bastron
Charles Coddington (retirement)
Ruth Pexton (100th birthday)
Carol Shaffer (ordination anniversary)

We received designated gifts and distributed undesignated gifts in memory of or in honor of these members and friends ~

Bdecan winter clothes project
in memory of Omer Burgert

Channel One
in memory of Todd Ellefson

Deacons Fund
in memory of Benjamin Sanderson

Endowment Fund
in memory E. Omer Burgert and Kathleen Jones

Festival of Music
in memory of Anneliese Opitz

Kitchen Fund
in memory of Fred Wacker

Memorial Bench
in memory of Todd Ellefson

Music/Anthem program
in memory of Val Battenburg and
in honor of Carol Shaffer (ordination anniversary)

Rose Window restoration
in memory of David Jones and Kathleen Jones

Cantata "The Gift of Life"
in memory of John Tillotson

Crafters group
in honor of Ruth Pexton (100th birthday)

PC(USA) Assistance Fund
in honor of Carol Shaffer (ordination anniversary)

Women's Shelter
in honor of Charles Coddington (retirement)

Columbarium: place of the dove

From early Christian times churches have maintained an area of the church for interring the remains of its members and loved ones.

The area was often referred to as a columbarium, the Latin word for a dove-cote: the dwelling place of a columba, a dove.

With a return to the ancient custom of cremation, it is again possible to use a columbarium as a place of interment, allowing for the ashes of the faithful to be deposited within the church property, as was common in times past.

The First Presbyterian Church Columbarium was dedicated in May 1991 in memory of Jacqueline Beth Goodyear. One hundred nine of the 192 niches have been reserved.

In the past year we held inurnment services for Omer Burgert, Gordon Danielson, Todd Ellefson, Clifford Gastineau, Patricia Gastineau, Isabel Huizenga, Kathleen Jones, and Jean Peterson.

If you have questions about the Memorial and Special Tributes Fund or the Endowment Fund, any member of the Endowment Committee would be happy to talk with you.

Committee members are Ken Boyer, Carol Evans, Allyson Maurer, T. J. Parlette, James Sessler, Tim Smith, Eric Sorenson, and James Talen.

An Endowment Fund brochure is available in the foyer and church office.



October 2018 Youth Group News

Susanna Stone
Coordinator of Youth & Christian Education

October Youth Group Update:

Youth group has been meeting for about a month now, and we've been having a BLAST! We have a wonderful group of youth who have enjoyed getting to know each other better, playing games, and serving the church. If you are in grades 6-12 and haven't had a chance to join us yet, we meet every **Wednesday** from **5:45-7:00 p.m.** Come when you can and bring a friend!

Save the Date:

The Fall Youth Group outing will take place at **Northwoods Orchard** on **Sunday, October 14** from **2-4 p.m.** Meet at the Orchard (8018 75th Ave NW Oronoco, MN 55960) at 2 p.m. We'll explore the corn maze, enjoy a wagon ride, and make s'mores by the campfire. Cost is \$5 and permission slips are required. Contact Susanna with any questions or to get a permission slip.

Calling all FPC adults:

Would you love to get to know the youth of FPC better? Do you have a special skill or talent you would be willing to share with our youth? Are you working on a service project, whether within the church or out in the community? If you answered "yes" to any of the above questions, please email me: stone.susanna@fpcrochester.org.

We are looking to increase our youth group mentor corps as well as connect the youth group with other adults in our congregation. We have so much fun at youth group and would love for you join us!

New Members class begins October 7

A New Members Class will begin October 7. Anyone interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, or in finding out more about our church, is welcome.

The two-week class will meet in the conference room (A-209) at 9:40 a.m. If you decide to join, new members will meet with the Session during class October 14 and be recognized by the congregation at the 11 a.m. service that day.

Rev. Parlette will review the basics of Presbyterian history and polity as we consider what it means to join the PCUSA. Please contact Rev. Parlette or the church office (282-1618) if you plan to attend or are interested in joining but can't attend this session.



Adult education ~ Sundays / 9:40-10:45 a.m.

Members have asked for in-depth studies and here are several great opportunities covering a wide variety of topics and interests!

Bible Study (South Fireside)	The Kerygma Class continues a study of <i>The Jesus Movement and the World of the Early Church</i> . The class is led by Jane Goodfriend and Ruth Walts .
Current Issues (Lounge)	<i>Current Events: Clipped from the papers</i> is the theme for the 2018-2019 year. The discussion is led by Al Depman .

Bible Study ~ Wednesdays / 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Bible Study (Sheldon Jackson Lounge)	October 3	<i>Faith, Hope and Security</i>
	October 10	<i>How we worship</i>
	October 17	No study October 17 because of MEA conferences
	October 24	<i>Religion and Science</i>
	October 31	<i>Peace through Prayer</i>
The Bible Study is led by Al Depman .		



Ministry of Music

Lee Afdahl, Director of Music
Katie Kuisle, Cherub and Calvin Choirs
Janine Yanisch, First Players

Music is the universal language by which human feelings are made equally intelligible to all.
(Franz von Liszt)

Singing and ringing schedule for October			
	8:30	11:00	Both
October 7	Chancel Choir	Calvin Choir	Joyous Praise
October 14	Chancel Choir	Cherub Choir	Alleluia Rngrs
October 21	Chancel Choir	Special Music	
October 28	Calvin Choir	Chancel Choir	Jubilate Deo

First Players is off and running!



Janine Yanisch
First Players
Director

There are currently 21 students in Concert Band and 11 students in the Beginning Band group. I'd love to have more in each ensemble, so please spread the word :-). Concert Band rehearses on Mondays from 3:45-5:00. Beginning Band lessons began on September 10 and the full Band rehearsals will begin on Tuesday, October 9 from 3:45-4:30.

An important Parent Meeting will take place in the music room (or possibly the band room) on either 9/25 at 7 p.m., or 9/26 at 6:15 p.m. This meeting will cover expectations, scheduling, help needed, parental involvement, concerts and other performing opportunities, etc., and will last about an hour.

Band Camp in August was a thrill! The theme was Old Time Rock and Swing, and in addition to the many current First Players, there were 4 former high school First Players assisting with the group. Thank you, also, to the FPC staff for their help in making Band Camp Week successful!

Peace, Janine

Reading material for the college and career bound...

Have you signed up for your Good News?

You're off to college or an out-of-town job. Have you (or your parents) made arrangements to have the church newsletter sent to you? Call Sue (282-1618) and she'll be happy to add your name to the mailing list.

Likewise, if you'd like to stay in touch by getting the weekly Good News in Brief via e-mail, let us know your e-mail address. We're happy to send either one (or both) to you but we need to know where you are.

Sitter Service continues October 12

We had another great Sitter Service on September 14 with 11 children attending. Thanks to our Sitter Volunteers who give so graciously of their time and energy so that parents can have a night out and our church children can engage with the older generation and also make new church friends.

Sitters this month were **Judy Felten, Sandy Holloway, Mary Huie, Allyson Maurer, Phyllis Schmid, Mark Mueller, Otis Laurberg, Lea Jennings, Britta Youmans and Marilyn and Tom Theismann**. A special thanks to **Sarah Edgerton and Cindy Kunzman** for taking on the leadership role in the absence of Gayle Jones.

The next Sitter Service will be held October 12 with sign-up October 7 after worship or by phone on the 8th and 9th. We are always looking for new families to join the fun and volunteers who would be willing to come play with us for a few hours.

Please contact **Gayle Jones** (993-2443) if you would like more information or to make a visit and see what we do.

~ Gayle Jones / Sitter Service coordinator

"A diamond is merely a lump of coal that did well under pressure."

(Henry Kissinger)

Staff Pick for Library Book of the Month

Bad Religion

by Ross Douthat

Ross Douthat's thoughtful book *Bad Religion* is easy to read. Perhaps that's to be expected from an author who writes regularly for the *New York Times* Op/Ed column. Even so, I'm impressed because that's not easy to do when writing about religion.

Douthat's book examines the rise of a caricature of religion and church life as an alternative to the traditional (in the best sense of the word) church our parents raised us to join and appreciate. It's a primer for understanding why people church where they do (or don't).

Bad Religion presents a substantive critique of church unduly shaped by culture and its unabashed worship and divination of wealth, celebrity and personalized preference. I don't know what's worse: the flourishing of this caricature of church, or that people may see it as representative of Every Church, rightly rejecting it but meanwhile rejecting *authentic* Christian faith and community in the process.

I recommend this book because it's important for us to recognize and understand this powerful modern trend and because it presents a good overview of faith and religion along the way. Disturbing though this trend may be, we can still trust (hope) that as long as churches offer authentic worship and community, like we do, God will faithfully inspire people to find and support these churches. The future of the Church no doubt depends upon it.

~ Jay Rowland / Associate Pastor



News from Presbyterian Women

* Sylvia Swede, facilitator

Circles continue in October. New members are always welcome. Join us for fellowship, prayer, and Bible study. The 2018-2019 Horizons Bible study is

God's Promise: I am with you.

Esther Circle: Monday, October 15, at 1 p.m. in the lounge. Co-hostesses: **Nancy Nock** and **Mary VanDerHeyden**. Program: **Margie Schaaf** (review Lessons One and Two of the Bible Study). Devotions: **Margie Schaaf**.

Priscilla Circle: Wednesday, October 17 at 9:15 a.m. in the lounge. Hostesses: **Carol Evans** and **Connie Smyrk**. Program: **Jane Goodfriend** (Friendship Place). Project: Paper products for Gift of Life House.

Ruth Circle: Saturday, October 20 at 10 a.m. in the lounge. Hostesses: **Gayle Jones** and **Kristen Willaman**. Devotions: **Laury Schalaus**. Program: **Phyllis Schmid** (Bible Study lesson #2 on *God's Promise: I am with you*).

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Thursday, October 11, at 1 p.m. in the lounge. Join us for knitting, crocheting and fellowship! Please contact **Elizabeth Remfert** (269-5272) or **Susie McClocklin** (288-7772) if you or someone you know would find comfort from a prayer shawl.

October is FPC's month to provide paper products and other needed items for the Gift of Life Transplant House. A list of requested items and a box to put them in is in the foyer. Thanks for your help!

Presbyterian Women meet at Calvin Presbyterian in Long Lake on October 13

The Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women in the Twin Cities Area Presbytery will be October 13 at Calvin Presbyterian Church, Long Lake. The program emphasis will be on missions: the Niger Coalition, the Rural Health Care Initiative in Sierra Leone, and the Dwelling Place in Minneapolis and St. Paul.

PW will pay the registration fee, which includes lunch, for all who wish to attend. Register with **Peg Parsons** by October 6.

If you use the kitchen, please be sure to empty and wash any coffee pots you use and also double check that ovens you turned on have been turned off. Thank you!



Church Family News up to 18

Anniversaries

Congratulations to **William and Judy Haas** who will celebrate their 56th wedding anniversary October 6.

Congratulations to **William and Sharon Nichols** who will celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary October 12.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to **Ruth Guy**, who will celebrate her 94th birthday October 5.

Happy Birthday to **Jo Rockwell** who will celebrate her 92nd birthday October 10.

Happy Birthday to **Jane Destro** who will celebrate her 91st birthday October 11.

Happy Birthday to **Peter Dyck** who will celebrate his 91st birthday October 20.

Death

We extend our condolences to **Elaine Jones** and **Tami Jones** on the death of their husband and father, **David Hugh Jones**, August 23.

Calling all crafters!



The Crafters Group will meet Wednesday, October 17 at 3 p.m. in the social hall. Come join the fun as we make cards for our C.A.R.E. members of the congregation. All supplies are furnished.

~ **Mary Huie** (282-9712) / Crafters coordinator

Lifelong Saints

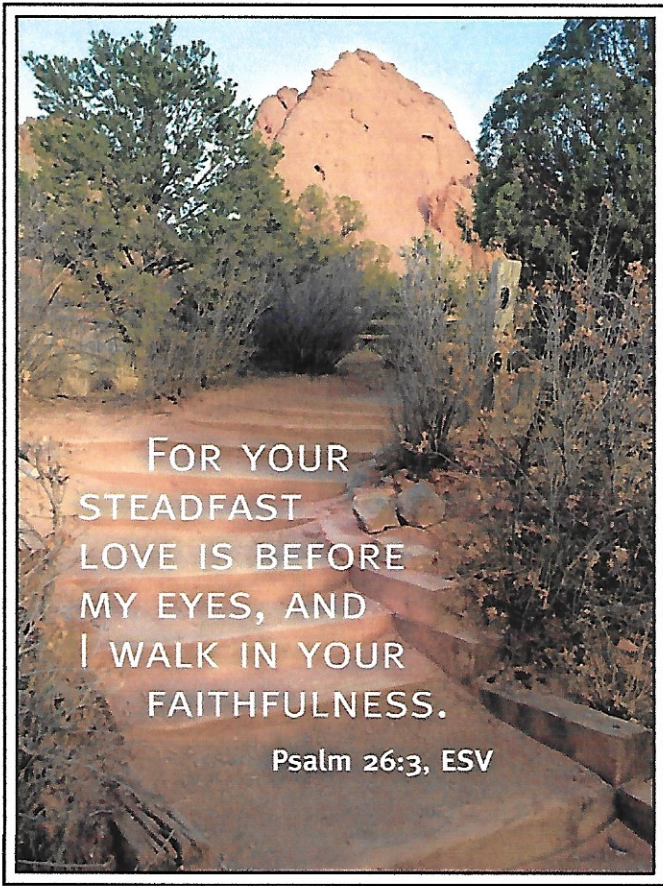
Rather than limit the celebration of saints to one Sunday, some churches now observe a Season of Saints from World Communion Sunday (the first Sunday in October) to All Saints' Sunday (the first Sunday in November).

Saints aren't merely exceptional Christians, writes worship director Taylor Burton-Edwards. Instead, they're simply believers, all of whom are undergoing a lifetime of transformation into Christ's own people.

Pointing to a saint-themed hymn by Charles Wesley, Burton-Edwards notes that the lyrics are intended to be an "anthem for a lifetime," not a once-yearly occasion.

Come, let us join our friends above
who have obtained the prize,
and on the eagle wings of love
to joys celestial rise.

Let saints on earth unite to sing
with those to glory gone,
for all the servants of our King
in earth and heaven are one.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 FPC@Community Food Response 3:45 PM First Players Concert Band/gr 6-12 (3:45-5)	2 Most committees meet/ check w/lead elder 9:30 AM Staff meeting 11:00 AM Grief Support Grp 7:00 PM Deacons/south fireside	3 Wednesday activities as usual FPC@Friendship Place 1:00 PM Charter House worship and communion 6:30 PM Bible Study/lounge	4 6:15 PM JubilateDeo Bells 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	5	6
	Ideas are great arrows, but there has to be a bow. (Bill Moyers)					
7 <i>World Communion Sunday</i> Communion Worship (8:30 & 11 a.m.) Joyous Praise rings (both) 8:30 AM Chancel Choir sings 9:30 AM Blood Pressure/Parish Nursing 9:40 AM New Mbr class 11:00 AM Calvin Choir sings	8 Columbus Day (Observed) 3:45 PM First Players Concert Band/gr 6-12 (3:45-5)	9 9:30 AM Staff meeting 1:30 PM Kitchen Guild 3:45 PM FP 4/5th gr full band (3:45-4:30) 7:15 PM FOM Cmte/north fireside	10 Wednesday activities as usual FPC@Friendship Place 6:30 PM Bible Study/lounge	11 1:00 PM Prayer Shawl Group 6:15 PM JubilateDeo Bells 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	12 5:30 PM Sitter Service (5:30-9:30 p.m.)	13 9:00 AM PW/PTCA Fall Gathering/Calvin PC/ Long Lake
14 Worship (8:30 & 11 a.m.) Alleluia Rngrs rings (both) 8:30 AM Chancel Choir sings 9:40 AM New Mbr class w/Session 11:00 AM Cherub Choir sings 2:00 PM Youth Event/Northwoods Orchard 4:00 PM FOM/D Baskfield/organist	15 Newsletter items due Real Estate taxes due 1:00 PM Esther Circle/lounge 3:45 PM First Players Concert Band/gr 6-12 (3:45-5)	16 9:30 AM Staff meeting 3:45 PM FP 4/5th gr full band (3:45-4:30) 7:00 PM Session/Fireside Rm	17 NO choir/bells/youth activities FPC@Friendship Place 9:15 AM Priscilla Circle/lounge 3:00 PM Crafters Group/SHall 5:30 PM Recorder Ensemble	18 6:15 PM JubilateDeo Bells 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	19	20 10:00 AM Ruth Circle/lounge
	No school / MEA Break					
21 Worship (8:30 & 11 a.m.) 8:30 AM Chancel Choir sings	22 3:45 PM First Players Concert Band/gr 6-12 (3:45-5)	23 9:30 AM Staff meeting 3:45 PM FP 4/5th gr full band (3:45-4:30)	24 Mail newsletter Wednesday activities as usual FPC@Friendship Place 5:30 PM Octoberfest supper/CEd 6:30 PM Bible Study/lounge	25 6:15 PM JubilateDeo Bells 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	26	27
28 <i>Reformation Sunday</i> Memorial Sunday Worship (8:30 & 11 a.m.) Jubilate Deo (both) 8:30 AM Calvin Choir sings 11:00 AM Chancel Choir sings	29 3:45 PM First Players Concert Band/gr 6-12 (3:45-5) 7:00 PM Endowment Cmte	30 9:30 AM Staff meeting 1:00 PM Chancel Guild 3:45 PM FP 4/5th gr full band (3:45-4:30)	31 Halloween Wednesday activities as usual FPC@Friendship Place 5:30 PM Halloween Party for everyone 6:30 PM Bible Study/lounge	Sunday schedule Worship at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday school / all ages at 9:40 a.m. Calvin Choir at 9:40 a.m. Cherub Choir at 10:20 a.m. Recorder Ensemble at 9:45 a.m.		Wednesday schedule 4:15 p.m. Alleluia Ringers (grades 2-5) 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir (grades 6-12) 5:30 p.m. Recorder Ensemble 5:45 p.m. Middle/High School youth 7:00 p.m. J Praise bells (grade 6 - adult)