



Prayer List

BIRMINGHAM

-Don Bravaldo

COLUMBUS

-Rona Phillips

HOME

-Isobel Prater

-Bill Pugh

-Linda Stark

-Emil Wright

A WORD FROM OUR SENIOR PASTORS

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

“Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love. The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.”

This hymn that is in our hymnal is commonly sung at churches after welcoming a new member or at the conclusion of the sacrament of Holy Communion. It is a moving hymn that expresses the meaning of Christian fellowship that happens through a community of faith. God has given us the church so we can bind together our hearts in Christian love. Our Christian love for one another is something that we can lean on as we face the joys and sorrows of life. As a community of faith “we pour out our ardent prayers.” In church we lift up to one another our hopes and fears to one another. Our community of faith lifts up our comforts and concerns to one another. Together “flows the sympathizing tear.” Together we celebrate life and grieve death.

Our greatest hope is that our community of faith at FPC Auburn will be a place you receive Christian love, but also a place you can share your Christian love. Thanks be to God for a place we can gather in fellowship and bind our hearts in Christian love. Thanks be to God for a community of faith that can lift each other up towards the hope of God’s love for us through Christ and remind each other “from sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free; and perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.”

Grace and Peace,
Nick and Kathy

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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 1, 2019

8:30 a.m. - Communion (Chapel)

11:00 a.m. - Worship (Sanctuary)

Worship Leader: Rev. Kathy Reed

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 8, 2019

8:30 a.m. - Communion (Chapel)

11:00 a.m. - Worship (Sanctuary)

Worship Leader: Rev. Kathy Reed

FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE NEWS

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 1

- 8:30 AM -Communion (Chapel)
- 9:45 AM -Sunday School
- 11:00 AM -Worship (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 PM -Chancel Bell Choir
- 6:45 PM -UKirk Event @ Goodtimes

Monday, September 2 Office Closed

Tuesday, September 3

- 12:00 PM -PCM Board Meeting (Library)

Wednesday, September 4

- 8:00 AM -Men's Bible Study (Library)
- 9:30 AM -PW Coordinating Team (Library)
- 11:30 AM -Women's Bible Study (Library)

Thursday, September 5

- 5:15 PM -Congregational Dinner
- 7:00 PM -Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, September 7

- 12:00 PM -Parking Lot Open AU vs. Tulane

Sunday, September 8

- 8:30 AM -Communion (Chapel)
- 9:45 AM -Sunday School
- 11:00 AM -Worship (Sanctuary)
- 2:30 PM -PW Fall Gathering (Conway)
- 4:00 PM -Confirmation Class Meeting
- 5:00 PM -Chancel Bell Choir
- 5:00 PM -Youth Dinner & Fellowship
- 7:00 PM -UKirk Dinner & Bible Study

Monday, September 9

- 9:00 AM -Sowers & Knitters
- 12:00 PM -Property Committee (Library)
- 12:00 PM -Personnel Committee (Parlor)
- 5:30 PM -Mission Committee
- 6:00 PM -Children & Youth Committee

Wednesday, September 11

- 7:00 PM -Choir Rehearsal (DATE CHANGE)

Thursday, September 12

- 5:30 PM -Potluck Dinner & Listening Event

Saturday, September 14

- 12:00 PM -Parking Lot Open AU vs. Kent St.

School and university classes have begun. New people are driving and walking around Auburn. Football fans will arrive soon. In all of this I urge you to be especially cautious and patient. Those who drive around Auburn know that each area has unique quirks and odd intersections. We know that pedestrians do not always adhere to lights and walkways, or even look up from a screen.

One idea that has helped me to adjust to unexpected road events is to assume that anyone with an out-of-town car tag will not be familiar with unusual intersections. One example is going south on College right after crossing the railroad tracks. If you are in the far right lane, it suddenly without warning becomes a right turn lane. I expect that the car ahead of me will want to move left in order to continue straight on College or even turn left onto Glenn Ave. So I try to not be in a hurry at that intersection and allow the newcomer to move into a left lane. You probably can think of some other locations that are not well marked and cause adjustments.

I also notice that many drivers do not signal their intentions. That means trying to be a mind reader or just being patient until the roadway is clear. Hint: Use your signals regularly so that it becomes a habit.

We currently experience much construction to Auburn roads with lane closings, cones to direct traffic away from a work site, traffic lights that are in new locations and speed limits that vary almost from block to block. These conditions also require attention and adjustments. Where I used to drive might not be as straight or accessible as I expect. It might take longer to run errands, so allow extra time.

Drive and walk safely!

Your Faith Community Nurses,
Jan Widell & Erin Brown

Sep. 22 - Flu Clinic, 9 a.m.

Sep. 29 - Blood Drive, 9 a.m.

PW NEWS

Begin September by joining this group on Monday, September 9, 9 a.m. in Conway Hall. We have fabric, patterns, ideas so just bring your scissors and pins. We even have yarn and needles for you to knit 1 and pearl 2. If it is just fellowship you desire, then come on down. Call Becky Buchanan 501-8127 or Kay Recknor 502-8990 for information.

Presbyterian Women's Fall Gathering is September 8 at 2:30 in Conway Hall. All women are invited! Gayle Andress will lead Lesson One of the 2019-20 Bible study, Love Carved in Stone: A Fresh Look at the Ten Commandments (study book, \$5). Please bring toiletries and personal care items to be donated to the Domestic Violence Intervention Center.

CE NEWS

- Sunday, Sept. 1: No Children or Youth fellowship.
 - Sunday, Sept. 8: Children and Youth activities begin with dinner at 5:00 p.m. in Baird Hall and then activities for children and youth from 5:30-6:30 p.m.
 - Godly Play will begin September 8
 - Worship Readiness for 2nd Graders will also begin September 8.
 - Confirmation Class meeting for confirmands and parents is September 8 at 4 p.m. in Baird Hall
 - Sat., Sept. 7: Football parking for the Auburn vs. Tulane game. Our parking lot will open at 12 p.m. Parking spaces are \$30 each and are sold on a first come, first served basis.
 - Sat., Sept. 14: Football parking for the Auburn vs. Kent State game. Our parking lot will open at 12 p.m. Parking spaces are \$30 each and are sold on a first come, first served basis.
- If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call!
Chris Sarkowski
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RECEPTIONISTS

September 3-6

AM - Carol Griffin, Jo Cooper, Jim Disque, Kay Recknor.

PM - Gerri Talley, Margaret Brinkley, Terry Ley, Bob Recknor.

September 9-13

AM - Ken Autrey, ?, Melanie Boecklen, Mary Burkhart, ?.

PM - Melanie Boecklen, Susan Parker, Larry McQueen, Larry, McQueen, ?.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, September 15, at the conclusion of the 11 a.m. worship service, for the purpose of electing elders and trustee for the class of 2022. The church's nominating committee is submitting the following slate: elders - Susan Fillippeli, Barbara Fletcher, Clay Price, Thomas Pope, Bobbie Thurlow, Mike Williams, Nathan Wohleb, Kirstin Yost; trustee - Sandra Spencer. Alternate nominations will be accepted from the floor.

Birthdays

- Sep. 2 Elizabeth White
- Sep. 3 Susan Fillippeli
- Sep. 4 Alice Walkup
- Sep. 6 Catherine Wernette
- Sep. 8 Karen Cochran, Ed Lee Spencer, Hallie Stewart
- Sep. 9 Eleanora Wohleb
- Sep. 11 Mike Williams, Ed Williams, Grant Yost
- Sep. 12 Karen Hickok, Kelly Shaffer
- Sep. 14 Patty Disque, Kathy Reed, J.J. Shaffer

Anniversaries

- Sep. 5 Don & Gayle Andress
 - Sep. 8 Ed Lee & Ruth Spencer
 - Sep. 14 Jim & Susan Parker
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Becoming the Beloved Community, "Intentional Listening: How to Love Your Neighbor in the Midst of Terror."

FPC is honored to be hosting a community-wide event on Thursday, September 12 from 5:30-8 p.m. (please note that this event will take the place of our regular Thursday evening dinner and program that week.) This intergenerational, interfaith event will be facilitated by a diverse group of faith leaders from our community in an effort to help us understand what it means to "love your neighbor who does not look or worship like you." It will be a POTLUCK supper, program, and will close with a candlelight vigil in our courtyard. PLEASE RSVP/register at becomingthebelovedcommunity51@gmail.com

THURSDAY DINNERS

Please join us for our weekly congregational dinner in Baird Hall. We begin serving at 5:15 p.m. and continue until 6 p.m. The cost of the meals is \$5/person with a maximum of \$10/family. College students eat for only \$2.00. No reservations are required.

Sep. 5 - Menu: Meatballs, Noodles, Stir Fry Veggies, Dinner Rolls, Homemade Cake.

Sep. 12 - Potluck & Listening Event (see above)

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MUSIC NOTES

Knowing your staff, past and present; knowing the emphasis you place on worship and worthy music, it was indeed an honor and privilege to be asked to serve as Interim Music Director here at First Presbyterian Church. I have been made to feel so welcomed by-your staff including Kathy and Nick, Karen and Steve Hickok; the choir and you, the congregation. Thank you for your warm welcome. In a few weeks the choir will begin rehearsing music for Advent and Christmas. If you enjoy singing and have sung in choir(s) in the past, may I encourage you to join us. We have room in all four sections but are especially looking for sopranos and altos. See me or any choir members for additional information. If you are not able to sing in the choir, let me thank you for your enthusiastic participation in the most important SINGING organization of the church...THE CONGREGATION. It is said that Christianity is a SINGING FAITH. We confirm that statement each week when we gather for worship.

Finally, please keep the Music Search Committee in your thoughts and prayers as they seek to find the right person to lead the music ministry of this church in the coming years. Sincerely, Dale