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Church News
 First Presbyterian Church - Junction City

We strive to be a loving family of faith nurturing the spiritual growth of one another as we serve, worship, and reach out in celebration of Christ's Love.

Committee Meetings :

- October 2nd, Staff Meeting and Facilities
- October 3rd, Deacons, Finance Committee, and Mission, Evangelism, & Fellowship Committee
- October 4th, Worship Committee
- October 5th, Christian Education Committee
- Session Meeting—October 17th, 7:00 pm



What does the Lord require of you?

.... To

act justly

..... and to

love mercy

..... and to ..

walk humbly

with your God.

.... micah 6.8

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October Birthdays

- 1 Julia Goggins, Mike Milleson
2 Jennifer Lankas, Katie Locke
4 Harold Erichsen
6 Eliot Oentrich, Caleb Strauss, Braxton Stroda
9 Shawn Goggins
11 Jason Lankas
12 Brenda Boyd
13 Zachary Jensen Smith
14 Randy Smith
15 Sam Ervin
16 Elaine Dill, Mikayla Jensen
19 Kim Williams
21 Sam Markley, Hal Wilson, Morgan Ziegler
22 Parker Avery
23 Jim Ray
24 Chrystal Artigue, Roy Taylor
26 Josie Strauss
30 James Wong

If your name is not on our birthday list please let the office know. We want to recognize you on your special day!



Current Visitation List



Valley View Cottonwoods & Senior Living

Graham Stevens #60
Patricia Yearout #30
Pete Young #44
1417 W Ash
Junction City, KS 66441

Valley View Estates

Vivian Bruce #116
Barby Craft #122
Webb Davis #110
1440 Pearl Drive
Junction City, KS 66441

Brookdale Living

Glenna McCaleb #114
Nellie Stone #120
1022 Caroline Ave.
Junction City, KS 66441

Chapman Valley Manor

Gary Langvardt
PO Box 219
Chapman, KS 67431

Via Christi Villages

Muriel Johnson Rm AL 19
2800 Willow Grove Rd.
Manhattan, Ks. 66502

Upcoming Events

If you have anything you would like to have put into the **November** newsletter please email the info to the church office no later than October 23rd 2023. Our email address is office.fpcjc@gmail.com.

Wednesday noon bible study has resumed. The group meets at church, in room 206 at 12:30 p.m.

SEEKING SISTERS bible study-Will meet on Thursday, October 19th in room 206. We'd love to have you join us!

Join us in room 206 for the **Pathfinders Adult Sunday School** class. Please join us for hot coffee, breakfast snacks, warm fellowship, and great discussions every Sunday at 9:30 am.

Men's Breakfast will meet on Saturday, October 7th at 8:35 am in the dining room. All are welcome.

Can you host Cookie Fellowship? Dates are open beginning with November 5th. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board across from the kitchenette. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Annette Ray at 785-210-4490 or Jenna Langvardt at 785-761-5815.

Church services are streamed. Please go to our webpage at <https://www.fpcjc.com> where you will find links to our Facebook page and YouTube. You can access our bulletin on our website at <https://www.fpcjc.com/publications>.

There will be a congregational meeting after service on October 8th. The Nominating Committee will be announcing the nominees for the upcoming year.

Thank You from Both of Us!

Thank you for the wonderful retirement celebration on September 10th. Becky and I are overwhelmed by your generosity ... and grateful for your thoughtfulness. Who knew? *Money does grow on trees!* We especially love and will treasure the photo album full of precious memories. May you continue to be blessed- and to be a blessing - in your mission and ministry in Junction City. You will be in our thoughts and prayers. Peace. Tim & Becky

The Deacons are needing **small magazines** for the yearly jail packets. If you have any, please bring them by the office or leave them in the library. Thank you!

The **Wednesday lunch bible study** has resumed. The class meets at 12:30 pm. We'd love to have you join us!

When **inclement weather** is forecast there are three ways you can find out if the church worship service has been cancelled: WIBW (website or T.V.), our First Presbyterian Church-Junction City Facebook page, and - if we have your email address - email from the church.

If you have information you would like in the **bulletin**, please let the church office know by **noon on Wednesday** for that week. You may call 238-1191 or email your info to office.fpcjc@gmail.com



With your help, we could secure additional matching funds to support our church's general fund and the Endowment Fund during the Geary Community Match Day hosted by the Greater Geary Community Foundation, October 17th, 2023!

Donations can be made in person on October 17, 2023, at the Junction City Municipal Building Auditorium, 700 N Jefferson St. from 7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Online gifts can be made with a credit card between 12:00 AM - 11:59 PM October 17 by **visiting www.GearyMatchDay.com**.

Donations can be mailed to the Greater Geary Community Foundation at P.O. Box 411, Junction City, KS 66441 postmarked on or before October 17, 2023. The form can be downloaded from **GearyMatchDay.com**.

Thanksgiving Help

The community-wide free Thanksgiving Dinner will be held this year with some changes. We will be serving dinner by **delivery***, **inside pickup***, or **in-person dining**. If you would like to/can donate a 20–25-pound turkey let me know. Or you can donate \$25.00 and I will purchase the turkey. Please make checks out to First Presbyterian Church and put "Thanksgiving Dinner" in the memo.

Questions: skilpatrick@cox.net or 785-762-2780

If you are willing to work in any way, please sign the slip below, indicating the hours you are available and give it to Margaret Kilpatrick or drop it off in the church office. Thank you.

I will work 9:00 am-11:00 am, Monday, November 20, 2023

I will work 8:00 am-1:00 pm, Tuesday, November 21, 2023

I will work 9:00 am-12:00 pm, Wednesday, November 22, 2023

I will work 8:00 am-2:30 pm, Thursday, November 23, 2023

Our Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Thanksgiving Day, November 23, 2023

Pickup time: 10:30am – 11:30am (inside the church-enter rear door)

Dine-in time: 12:00pm – 1:30pm

***(pickup/delivery only for those who have reserved a meal)**



Sunday School begins 9:30 a.m. — 10:30 a.m.

Our Sunday School Lessons are themed with the Growing in God Bible. Our Youth Education Coordinator, Dawn Avery, has created Units that pertain to the Life of Jesus and His followers. It's going to be one incredible season!

September 17th-October 15th -- **Jesus: Beginnings**

October 22-November 12th -- **Who Is Jesus**

November 19th -- **More Parables Jesus Told/Advent Lesson**

Every Sunday -- Chat with the Children will be hosted by your Christian Education Committee Members

OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS to Place on YOUR Calendars!

Jesus and Me (JAM) is held every **Wednesday evening 6:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.** *(unless otherwise noted due to other scheduling) * Scripture Lessons, Crafts, Games and of course **SNACKS!** Meet in room 109 to join all the JAM kids for this fun Wednesday youth activity.

MS/HS Youth Group is held every **Wednesday evening 6:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.**

October 8 - Socktober! Socktober is a nationwide movement to collect socks for people who are currently experiencing homelessness, poverty and to show that we care for our elders in local Nursing Facilities. **STAY TUNED** for the **3rd - 5th Grade Sunday School Youth** to share their exciting Service Project! Donating a pair of socks makes a bigger difference than some may think and socks are the **most needed & least donated** item to shelters.

Sunday, October 15 — Middle School/High School Youth will lead the Worship Service.

Sunday, October 22 — is "Bring a Friend to Church" Day!!

Sunday, December 17 — Our Sunday School and JAM Youth will present a Christmas Pageant during our worship hour, **"A Very Mixed-Up Christmas"**

Wednesday, December 20 — JAM Caroling Party



**You are invited to our CHURCH WIDE JAM event
TRUNK or TREAT!**

When: Wednesday, October 25th

Where: Manse Parking lot (west of the church)

Time: Vehicle Setup @ 6:00 pm

JAM kids will come out together at 6:20 pm

Decorate your vehicle and share some fun with our JAM kids! They love this EVENT!



Please provide **PACKAGED** candy/treats for our Trick or Treaters and **DROP CANDY** in bags.



Please notify Dawn Avery or Sign-Up on the "Youth Ministry" Board, located in the Narthex, so we know we have plenty of FUN lined up for our kids! You can reach Dawn at edcoordinator.fpcjc@gmail.com or 785-238-1191.

Bearing Fruit for Jesus!

2023 Stewardship Campaign

It is exciting to inform you that our stewardship theme for this year is *Bearing Fruit for Jesus!: His Grace and Power at Work within You*. This will start **on October 15**. You will receive letters with pledge info in the mail the following week. Here is an introduction to what God's Word says about bearing fruit:

Jesus said, "Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in me, and I in him, he bears much fruit; for apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:4-5). Fruit characterizes the life of the Christian steward. It is interesting to note that, in this passage above, Jesus did not say, "You should bear fruit." He stated that when we abide in him, it follows naturally that we will bear fruit.

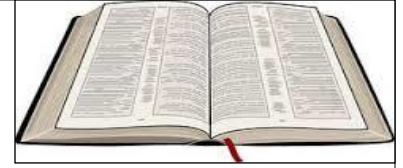
Paul explained to the Galatians what that fruit is: *"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, and self-control."* "Since we live by the Spirit," Paul exhorted, "let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other" (Galatians 5:25-26). As children of God, we have this fruit because his Spirit lives in us. We do not bear fruit as a result of our own efforts, but we do cease to bear fruit when we give in to our sinful natures, becoming, in Paul's words, *"conceited, provoking and envying each other."*

Just as fruit needs light for its growth and maturation, so do Christians need to have their lives illumined by Christ. They then are able to produce spiritual fruit and shed that light on the world around them. Ephesians 5:11 cautions us to, *"Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness"* but to *"Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord"* (Ephesians 5:8-9).

God has plans and uses for our lives. When we abide in Christ, we will be fruitful. We will discover and follow his plan, and we will use the gifts he has given us in ministry to the people of the world.



Daily Lectionary Readings for October



Monday, October 2, 2023: Psalm 42; Exodus 18:1-12; Philippians 1:3-14
Tuesday, October 3, 2023: Psalm 42; Exodus 18:13-27; Philippians 1:15-21
Wednesday, October 4, 2023: Psalm 42; Exodus 19:9b-25; Matthew 9:2-8
Thursday, October 5, 2023: Psalm 19; Exodus 23:1-9; Colossians 2:16-23
Friday, October 6, 2023: Psalm 19; Exodus 23:14-19; Philippians 2:14-18; 3:1-4a
Saturday, October 7, 2023: Psalm 19; Exodus 23:10-13; John 7:40-52
Monday, October 9, 2023: Psalm 119:49-56; Deuteronomy 5:1-21; 1 Peter 2:4-10
Tuesday, October 10, 2023: Psalm 119:49-56; Deuteronomy 5:22-6:3; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21
Wednesday, October 11, 2023: Psalm 119:49-56; Deuteronomy 6:10-25; John 11:45-57
Thursday, October 12, 2023: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Exodus 24:1-8; 1 Peter 5:1-5, 12-14
Friday, October 13, 2023: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Exodus 24:9-11; James 4:4-10
Saturday, October 14, 2023: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Exodus 24:12-18; Mark 2:18-22
Monday, October 16, 2023: Psalm 97; Exodus 32:15-35; Jude 17-25
Tuesday, October 17, 2023: Psalm 97; Exodus 33:1-6; Philippians 3:13-4:1
Wednesday, October 18, 2023: Psalm 97; 2 Kings 17:7-20; John 6:25-35
Thursday, October 19, 2023: Psalm 99; Exodus 33:7-11; 3 John 9-12
Friday, October 20, 2023: Psalm 99; Exodus 31:1-11; 1 Peter 5:1-5
Saturday, October 21, 2023: Psalm 99; Exodus 39:32-43; Matthew 14:1-12
Monday, October 23, 2023: Psalm 63:1-8; Exodus 40:34-38; Revelation 18:1-10, 19-20
Tuesday, October 24, 2023: Psalm 63:1-8; Numbers 12:1-9; Revelation 18:21-24
Wednesday, October 25, 2023: Psalm 63:1-8; Numbers 13:1-2, 17-14:9; Matthew 17:22-27
Thursday, October 26, 2023: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Deuteronomy 31:14-22; Titus 1:5-16
Friday, October 27, 2023: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Deuteronomy 32:1-14, 18; Titus 2:7-8, 11-15
Saturday, October 28, 2023: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; Deuteronomy 32:44-47; John 5:39-47
Monday, October 30, 2023: Psalm 119:41-48 ; Numbers 33:38-39; James 2:8-13
Tuesday, October 31, 2023: Psalm 119:41-48; Exodus 34:29-35; James 2:14-26



YouTube



Find us on social media:

Click on images above or links below to go to our social media pages!

Webpage- <https://www.fpcjc.com>

YouTube- <https://www.youtube.com/@firstpresbyterianchurchofj8677>

Facebook- <https://www.facebook.com/fpcjcks>

Our Staff

Pastor—Position Vacant
 Administrative Assistant—Melissa Goble
 Youth Education Coordinator—Dawn Avery
 Chancel Choir Director—Joe Markley
 Music Coordinator—Sheila Markley
 Bell Choir Director—Sheila Markley
 Organist—Rhoda Frasier
 Organist—Matthew Pickering
 Treasurer—Annette Ray
 Financial Secretary—Chris Munson
 Nursery Attendant—Brianna Talley
 Nursery Attendant—DeGe Boller

Ministers-All who worship and serve the Lord!

KEY DEACONS

October

Carolyn Zumbrunn 785-209-1597

November

Lisa Nabus 785-761-4895

Elder On Call

October

October 1-Susan Erichsen 785-223-3100

October 8-Gary Miles 785-223-5894

October 15-Gary Miles 785-223-5894

October 22-Brenda Edleston 785-410-3959

October 29-Jade White 785-210-6286

November

November 5-Jenna Langvardt 785-761-5815

November 12-Jenna Langvardt 785-761-5815

November 19-Jenna Langvardt 785-761-5815

November 26-Jenna Langvardt 785-761-5815

Opportunities to Serve

- To Lead a Sunday School Class one time a month
- Coffee Fellowship
- Be a part of a Mission Project
- Work with Middle School and High School Youth Group Events
- Offer to be Worship Leader
- Be a part of our Shut In Visitation Group
- Organize a Church Work Weekend to clean out gutters, paint, dust, organize
- Usher, help with Communion

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>World Communion Sunday</p> <p>8:30am - Glory Ringers Rehearsal</p> <p>9:30am - Adult Sunday School</p> <p>9:30am - Youth Sunday School</p> <p>10:45am - Worship Service</p> <p>12pm - Coffee Fellowship</p>	<p>11am - Staff Meeting</p> <p>4:30pm - Facilities Committee</p> <p>7pm - Cub Scouts</p>	<p>2:30pm - Finance Committee</p> <p>5:30pm - Mission, Evangelism & Deacon's Meeting</p> <p>6pm - Deacon's Meeting</p>	<p>Feast of St Francis of Assisi</p> <p>8:30am - Worship Committee</p> <p>12:30pm - Bible Study</p> <p>6:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30pm - JAM</p> <p>6:30pm - MS/HS Youth Group</p> <p>8pm - AA Meeting</p>	<p>9am - Christian Educ. Committee</p>		<p>8am - Food Pantry Garage Sale-</p> <p>8:35am - Men's Breakfast</p>
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<p>Hymn Sing Sunday</p> <p>8:30am - Glory Ringers Rehearsal</p> <p>9:30am - Adult Sunday School</p> <p>9:30am - Youth Sunday School</p> <p>10:45am - Worship Service</p> <p>12pm - Coffee Fellowship</p>	<p>7pm - Club Scouts</p>	<p>Halloween</p>				

A photograph of several pumpkins in a field with a warm, golden background. The pumpkins are in the foreground, and the background is a soft, out-of-focus field of tall grasses or wheat, bathed in a warm, golden light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is autumnal and peaceful.

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