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Committee Meetings :

- December 4th, Staff Meeting and Facilities
- December 5th, Deacons, Finance, Mission, Evangelism & Fellowship
- December 6th, Worship
- December 7th, Christian Education Session Meeting— December 19th, 7:00 pm
- December 26th, Communications

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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.



Christmas Eve Service

First Presbyterian Church
5:30 P.M.

Carol Singalong at 5:00 P.M.

Christmas Message, Carols,
Communion

December Birthdays

- 1 Leah Ervin, Bob Haynes, Annette Ray
- 2 Brad White
- 3 Sue Lawson, Brock Nabus
- 4 McKinleigh Blaisdell, Kelly Landes
- 6 Krista Blaisdell
- 7 Abbygale Artigue, Emily Jeffrey, Jill Langvardt
- 10 Chris Heldstab
- 12 Marilyn Hellerud, Vannessa Osbourn
- 13 Sheila Markley
- 14 Harrison Haynes
- 16 Samuel Kilpatrick, Connie Langvardt
- 17 Linda Brungardt, Bob Jeffrey
- 19 Duaine Hoff, Kyler Langvardt
- 20 Eunice Rolfs
- 22 Jace Goggins
- 23 Andrew Haynes
- 25 Pearl Barnicle, Carolyn Gaston
- 27 Hannah Custer
- 28 Amelia Strauss, Charlie Strauss
- 30 Piper Butler, Blake Proietti, Laura Rook
- 31 Jordan Biggs, Brenda Edleston, Cale Jensen

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
 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.

Upcoming Events

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

Bulletin Info: If you have information you would like in the bulletin, please let the church office know by noon on the Wednesday before the Sunday you would like it included. You may call 238-1191 or email your info to office.fpcjc@gmail.com.

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>.

2023 Pledge Reminder

As we are coming to the end of another year, Session wants to thank everyone who has generously supported our church. Your monetary donations have enabled us to enjoy a year full of Christian fellowship through our worship service, mission support, Sunday school, etc.

If you have not fulfilled your pledge for 2023 and you want to have it counted towards your 2023 taxes, please make your checks payable to the church or online by December 31, 2023.

<https://smartpay.profitstars.com/express/fpcjcepp>

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.

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!

Men's Breakfast will meet on Saturday, December 2nd at 8:35 am in the dining room. All are welcome.

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, **December 25th** in observance of Christmas. We will also be closed on Monday, **January 1st** for New Year's Day.



**Sunday December 17th is
"Bell Sunday"**

If you have a special bell of your own you would like to ring during the Hymn "Angels We Have Heard on High" be sure and bring it with you. There will be bells available for everyone.



Poinsettias



The church office will begin taking orders for Poinsettias to be used in the sanctuary during the Christmas season.

Cost is \$10.00 each (which includes tax).

If you would like to purchase a Poinsettia, please complete the form below and return it to the church office by Monday, **December 4th**.

Checks should be made out to: First Presbyterian Church and noted "Poinsettias"

Poinsettias will be in the sanctuary on Sunday December 17th for the 10:45 service, and for both of the Christmas Eve services, Sunday, December 24th.

Memorials and other expressions will be printed in the bulletin on Sunday, December 17th.

Please pick up your Poinsettia following the **evening** worship service Christmas Eve. Any Poinsettias not picked up will be distributed as the church deems best.

Name: _____

Number of Poinsettia(s) ordering: _____

Bulletin Inscription: (name(s) Given in memory of or in honor of)

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____



Join us to celebrate

CHRISTMAS

With a Christmas Cookie Exchange! Bring 3 dozen of your favorite homemade goodies to the parlor before church. After Church, there will be a container for you to fill with 3 dozen assorted goodies to enjoy this holiday season!



17 December

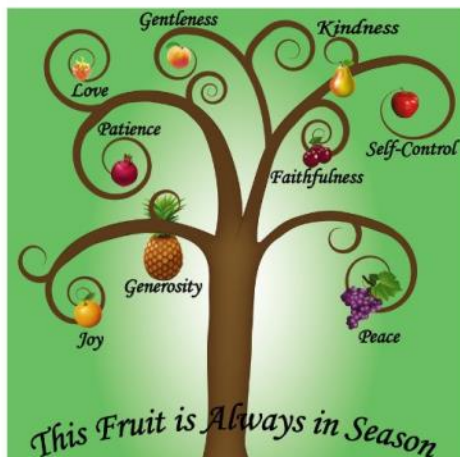




NEW NEWS ABOUT OUR YOUTH!!

Upcoming Dates for Parents:

- **Sunday, December 3rd** - PJ & Movie Day (all ages)
- **Sunday, December 10th** - During Sunday School, we will practice candle lighting for Christmas Eve Service with Margaret (K-5)
- **Wednesday, December 13th** - JAM will be from 5:45pm-7:00pm. We will be practicing for the Christmas Pageant.
- **Sunday, December 17th** - Christmas Pageant during worship service. Practice candle lighting for Christmas Eve Service with Margaret *after* worship service (K-5)
- **Wednesday, December 20th** - Christmas Caroling & Hot Cocoa (JAM & MS/HS)
- **Sunday, December 24th** - NO Sunday School
- **Wednesday, December 27th** - NO JAM or MS/HS Youth Group
- **Sunday, December 31st** - NO Sunday School
- **Wednesday, January 3rd** - No JAM or MS/HS Youth Group



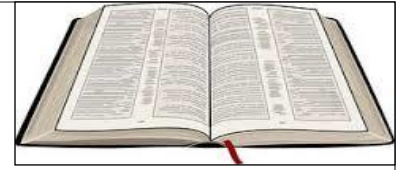
Save the Date!

Fruit of the Spirit VBS
July 29 - August 1, 2024

***WE ARE CURRENTLY
LOOKING FOR YOUTH
VOLUNTEERS**

Please email **Dawn Avery** at edcoordinator.fpcjc@gmail.com with any questions you may have

Daily Lectionary Readings for December



Friday, December 1, 2023: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Zechariah 14:1-9; 1 Thessalonians 4:1-18

Saturday, December 2, 2023: Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Micah 2:1-13; Matthew 24:15-31

Monday, December 4, 2023: Psalm 79; Micah 4:1-5; Revelation 15:1-8

Tuesday, December 5, 2023: Psalm 79; Micah 4:6-13; Revelation 18:1-10

Wednesday, December 6, 2023: Psalm 79; Micah 5:1-5a; Luke 21:34-38

Thursday, December 7, 2023: Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; Hosea 6:1-6; 1 Thessalonians 1:2-10

Friday, December 8, 2023: Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; Jeremiah 1:4-10; Acts 11:19-26

Saturday, December 9, 2023: Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13; Ezekiel 36:24-28; Mark 11:27-33

Monday, December 11, 2023: Psalm 27; Isaiah 26:7-15; Acts 2:37-42

Tuesday, December 12, 2023: Psalm 27; Isaiah 4:2-6; Acts 11:1-18

Wednesday, December 13, 2023: Psalm 27; Malachi 2:10-3:1; Luke 1:5-17

Thursday, December 14, 2023: Psalm 126; Habakkuk 2:1-5; Philippians 3:7-11

Friday, December 15, 2023: Psalm 126; Habakkuk 3:2-6; Philippians 3:12-16

Saturday, December 16, 2023: Psalm 126; Habakkuk 3:13-19; Matthew 21:28-32

Monday, December 18, 2023: Psalm 125; 1 Kings 18:1-18; Ephesians 6:10-17

Tuesday, December 19, 2023: Psalm 125; 2 Kings 2:9-22; Acts 3:17-4:4

Wednesday, December 20, 2023: Psalm 125; Malachi 3:16-4:6; Mark 9:9-13

Thursday, December 21, 2023: Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26; 2 Samuel 6:1-11; Hebrews 1:1-4

Friday, December 22, 2023: Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26; 2 Samuel 6:12-19; Hebrews 1:5-14

Saturday, December 23, 2023: Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26; Judges 13:2-24; John 7:40-52

Tuesday, December 26, 2023: Luke 1:46b-55; 1 Samuel 1:19-28; Hebrews 8:1-13

Wednesday, December 27, 2023: Luke 1:46b-55; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Mark 11:1-11

Thursday, December 28, 2023: Psalm 148; Jeremiah 31:15-17; Matthew 2:13-18

Friday, December 29, 2023: Psalm 148; Isaiah 49:5-15; Matthew 12:46-50

Saturday, December 30, 2023: Psalm 148; Proverbs 9:1-12; 2 Peter 3:8-13



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

December

Janet Parrish 785-226-0239

ELDER ON CALL

December

December 3-Brenda Edleston 785-410-3959
 December 10-Jenna Langvardt 785-761-5815
 December 17-Susan Erichsen 785-223-3100
 December 24-Jim Ray 785-307-5188
 December 31-Jim Ray 785-307-5188

Opportunities to Serve

- 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
- Organize a Church Work Weekend to clean out gutters, paint, dust, organize
- Usher
- Help with youth events
- Serve on a committee as a member at large

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
<p>8:30am - Georg Runger 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 - Club Scouts</p>	<p>2:30pm - Finance Committee</p> <p>5:30pm - Mission, Evangelism & Discernment Meeting</p>	<p>6:30am - Worship Committee</p> <p>12:30pm - Bible Study</p> <p>5:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30pm - JAM</p> <p>8:30pm - MSHS Youth Group</p> <p>9pm - AA Meeting</p>	<p>9am - Christian Educ. Committee @ First</p>	<p>11am - Thanksgiving Committee Dinner</p>	<p>8:35am - Men's Breakfast</p>
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<p>First Sunday of Advent</p> <p>8:30am - Georg Runger 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>Faith of Our Day or Catechisms</p>	<p>12:30pm - Bible Study</p> <p>5:45pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30pm - JAM</p> <p>8:30pm - MSHS Youth Group</p> <p>9pm - AA Meeting</p>	<p>11am - Ram Examinations for Church</p>	<p>11am - Thanksgiving Committee Dinner</p>	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<p>8:30am - Georg Runger 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>					
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<p>Thanksgiving</p> <p>Christmas pageant/caring workshop</p> <p>8:30am - Georg Runger Rehearsal</p> <p>9:30am - Adult Sunday School</p> <p>9:30am - Youth Sunday School</p> <p>10:45am - Worship Service</p> <p>12pm - Cookie Exchange</p>	<p>7pm - Club Scouts</p>	<p>7pm - Session</p>	<p>12:30pm - Bible Study</p> <p>6:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>8:30pm - JAM (Caroling)</p> <p>8:30pm - MSHS Youth Group</p> <p>9pm - AA Meeting</p>			<p>Thanksgiving Remembrance</p>
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<p>Christmas Eve</p> <p>Christmas Eve</p> <p>6:30am - Georg Runger Rehearsal</p> <p>9:30am - Adult Sunday School</p> <p>10:45am - Worship Service</p> <p>12pm - Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>9pm - Christmas Eve Concert</p> <p>5:30pm - Christmas Eve Service</p>	<p>Christmas Day</p> <p>Christmas Day</p> <p>Children's classes/Christmas Day</p>	<p>1pm - Communications Committee</p>	<p>12:30pm - Bible Study</p> <p>9pm - AA Meeting</p>			
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
<p>NEW YEAR'S EVE</p> <p>5:30am - Adult Sunday School</p> <p>10:45am - Worship Service</p> <p>12pm - Coffee Fellowship</p>						



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