



- Our members and friends who are living in a nursing home, assisted living or are partially or fully "home-bound"
- All those battling cancer

We encourage you to pray for these friends – send them a note, call, or visit them. Addresses and phone numbers can be obtained from the church office. Send your prayer requests, concerns, and updates to office.fpcjc@gmail.com

Notice of Filming: Worship services are filmed and recorded to be included on our Church website, Facebook, YouTube, etc. While most footage will feature worship leaders, video of the congregation may also appear. Children during children's sermons may be seen. If you have concerns, please contact the church office.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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.

July 21, 2024

PRELUDE

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT (instrumental)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God has called us to this place of peace and quiet.

People: We come, eager for rest and hope.

Leader: The Lord is always with us, offering us refreshment for our souls.

People: Let us partake of this wondrous gift.

Leader: It is the gift of the Lord's love for us. Come and rest.

People: Praise God for the absolute compassion of God's love. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE #187

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

* INVITATION TO, AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient God, we wait all year for the summer months when we can rest and relax. But we have redefined leisure to mean a flurry of activities. We need some time to rest, to sit quietly, and listen to the beautiful sounds of the world.

Forgive us when we are determined to crowd every moment of our lives with activity. Help us to find a quiet center with

you where we can just relax and not try to get everything done as though life was some sort of a contest. Give us peace for a little while. Refresh our souls so that we can truly serve you, not out of exhaustion but out of enthusiasm. Be with us this day, for we ask these things in Jesus' Name. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS (Hymn #447)** *We are Forgiven*
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

***THE PEACE**

(Please greet one another and exchange signs of peace and reconciliation)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 23

Leader: The Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Soloist, Brittany Lamb

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

HYMN #169 *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* (vs 1, 4 & 5)

THE MESSAGE TEXT AND MESSAGE *Mark 6:30-34, -53-56*
"Resting in the Shepherd's Arms"

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe in God, maker of all things, provider of all things, who loves all people. We follow Jesus, in whom salvation has come to us: he sees us for who we are, heals the wounds of our hearts, and makes us new. In his death and resurrection, we see the deepest truth of life. We live by the power of the Holy Spirit, which empowers us for self-giving love. We give thanks for the Church, the Body of Christ, and for the gift of forgiveness, the power of resurrection, and the mystery of eternal life. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Offering plates will be passed to persons seated in pews. Gifts/pledges may also be sent to First Presbyterian Church by mail or through the "Give Now" link on our website:
<https://www.fpcjc.com>

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER** (Offertory Response, Hymn #606)

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT #824** *Near to the Heart of God*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

***People stand as they are able.**

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



July 29 - August 1, 9:00 am-11:30 am we will hold our annual Vacation Bible School. This year's topic is the Fruit of the Spirit and we are so excited for this curriculum! Scan the QR Code below or go to vbspro.events/p/fruitofthespirit to sign up today!

Volunteers (6th grade - adult) and participants (3 and potty trained - completed 5th grade) can sign up here.

We are currently looking for **Adult and Youth helpers to help kids move between stations!** Please contact Dawn at edcoordinator.fpcjc@gmail.com for more details.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Wednesday	
8:00 pm	AA Meeting
Friday	
All Day	Church Office Closed
Sunday	
10:45 am	Worship, child care available
After Service	VBS Set-up

Thanks to those who have assisted in this morning's worship:

Pastor: Kemper Huber
Worship Leader: Krista Blaisdell
Chancel Choir Director: Joe Markley
Music Coordinator and Handbell Director: Sheila Markley
Organist: Rhoda Frasier
Video Preparer/Operator/Sound: Colleen Smith
Key Deacon for July transportation: Mark Rombold (785-307-2468)
Elder on call the week of July 21: Brenda Edleston (785-410-3959)
Head Usher for July: Bob & Pam Haynes

Children are welcome in worship. We welcome all children and youth to stay during the worship service and experience God. If you need your child to go to the nursery, our caretakers are ready to receive them.

Robert and Chris Munson have provided the flowers this morning with thanks and praise to God as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married in this church by Reverend Wilbur DeYoung on July 20, 1974.

Thank you to Brittany Lamb for providing our Special Music this morning. Brittany is the Marketing Director at the C.L. Hoover Opera House. Brittany, her husband Harrison, and three children have just made Chapman their new home. Harrison teaches at Chapman High School.

Volunteers are needed to help set up for VBS on July 28 - The sanctuary and stage will be decorated. Food is provided. We will need strong movers to help with the setup. Thank you!

If you have any information you would like in the **bulletin**, please let the church office know by **noon on Wednesday** for that week. You may call 785-238-1191 or email your info to office.fpcjc@gmail.com

Church services are streamed at: <https://www.fpcjc.com>. You will find our worship bulletin and links to our Facebook page and YouTube on this webpage.



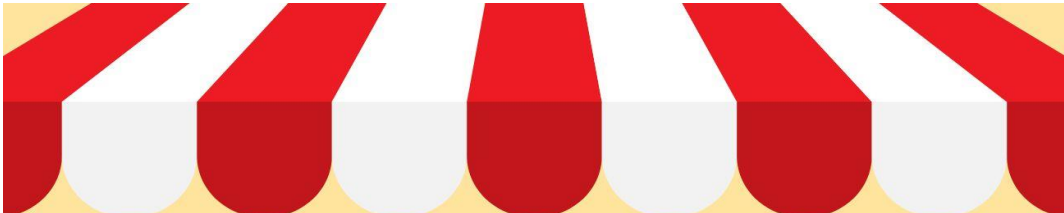
YOU ARE INVITED TO
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH'S

SUMMER HOT DOG FEED

July 21st | after church

Hot dogs, chips, beans, fruit and ice cream provided!

join us after church for food and fellowship!



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FARMER'S MARKET



Mission/Evangelism/Fellowship Committee announces the fifth annual First Presbyterian Farmers Market. We would welcome your extra produce, flowers, home-baked goods, and homemade craft projects, to be sold at the church.

The Market would be held in the parlor following morning services on July 21, 2024.
Hope to see you there.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FAMILY!

WE WANT TO KNOW YOUR STORY!

As you know, we recently agreed to move forward with HolyCow! Consulting to help us plan our future. You have been selected to participate in the first step which is to conduct a congregational assessment. This assessment will provide a clear picture of who we are as a church and what directions are most important for our future. The tool we'll use is the Congregation Assessment Tool (CAT), which will provide key indicators of our congregational health along with areas of challenge and potential growth. It will help us to collect and understand the range of views that exist at First Presbyterian Church and the possibilities, willingness, capacity, and energy for moving our ministry into the future.

If you have provided us with a current email address, next week you will receive a unique web link to complete the assessment online. If you do not receive the link, please let the office know. If you would prefer to take the assessment using a paper copy, please stop by the office, and we will provide one for you along with a self-addressed stamped envelope (we would be happy to mail you a copy if needed).

NOTE: If there is only one email address for all members of your household, it may be tempting to have one person take the survey on behalf of the family. However, please be sure your spouse and all young adults living in your home have an opportunity to complete the survey. INDIVIDUAL INPUT is key to our gaining insight into overall perceptions and experiences.

Please set aside enough time to answer all the questions. This will take about 15 minutes. All survey responses are strictly anonymous.

Thank you for your willingness to be a part of this congregational assessment and for helping to build First Presbyterian Church's future.

If you have questions, please contact Pastor Kemper at pastor.fpcjc@gmail.com or by cell phone at 414-477-2214.

Holy Cow!

The C.A.T. survey is coming !

Congregational
Assessment
Tool



We need your voice!

This survey is your opportunity to share your experiences and priorities for our congregation.

If you subscribe to our website you will receive a web link to complete the assessment. Computers and paper copies will also be available at the church.

All of our worshippers are asked to participate.

MORE INFORMATION TO COME.