



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

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 may be seen during children's sermons. 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.

August 25, 2024

PRELUDE

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Fairest Lord Jesus...Arr. Callahan
Summer Handbell Ensemble

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: How wonderful it is to be in a dwelling place for God!

People: **The refreshing springs of God's love cleans and restore us.**

Leader: There is a place here for everyone. No one is turned away.

People: **The least and the lost; the homeless and hopeless are always welcome in God's house.**

Leader: Praise to God who invites and shelters us all.

People: **Praise to God who heals and sends us forth to serve. Amen.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE #393

O Day of Rest and Gladness

*INVITATION TO, AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall

be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy 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)

MINUTE FOR MISSION Blessing Box MEF Committee

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

PRAYER

FIRST LESSON *Psalm 34:15-22*
Leader: The Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC *Fanfare...By Purcell, Arr. Thompson*
Summer Handbell Ensemble

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

***HYMN #451** *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

THE MESSAGE TEXT AND MESSAGE *John 6:56-69*
“Hard Teachings”

RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Winchester Profession of Faith, 1803
We believe that the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments contain a revelation of the character of God, and of the duty, interest, and final destination of mankind. We believe there is one God, whose nature is love; revealed in one Lord Jesus Christ, by one Holy Spirit of grace, who will finally restore the whole family of mankind to holiness and happiness. We believe, that holiness and true happiness are inseparably connected; and that believers ought to maintain order, and practice good works, for these things are good and profitable unto all humankind. 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 *Simple Gifts...Arr. Thompson*
Summer Handbell Ensemble

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

GO IN GOD’S NAME

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT #547** *Go, My Children, With My Blessing*

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

***People stand as they are able**

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

If you want to put anything into the **October** newsletter, please email the information to the church office no later than **September 20, 2024**. Our email address is 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.

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.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday	
6:00 pm	Cub Scouts
Wednesday	
6:30 pm	All Choirs Picnic-Markley's
8:00 pm	AA Meeting
Sunday	
10:45 am	Worship, child care available

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

- Pastor:** Kemper Huber
- Worship Leader:** Susan Erichsen
- Chancel Choir Director:** Joe Markley
- Music Coordinator and Handbell Director:** Sheila Markley
- Organist:** Joe Markley
- Video Preparer/Operator/Sound:** Colleen Smith
- Key Deacon for September transportation:** Krista Blaisdell (785-323-7174)
- Elder on call the week of August 25:** Margaret Kilpatrick (785-762-2780)
- Head Usher for August:** Sheila Markley

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.

The flowers today are from Sandy and Vic Wong, to the glory of God and in honor of Sandy's sister, whose 80th birthday is Friday.

Thank you to the following members of the Summer Handbell Ensemble for providing our Special Music this morning: Chrystal Artigue, Linda Brungardt, Bob Haynes, Pam Haynes, Sheila Markley, Rick Munson and Alice Stuckey.

The Pathfinder Adult Sunday School Class will resume meeting on Sunday, September 8th at 9:30 AM in Room 206. Our resource for the first sessions of the class will be "A Life Beyond Amazing; 9 Decisions That Will Transform Your Life Today" by Dr. David Jeremiah. Dr. Jeremiah is a pastor and biblical scholar who produced "The Jeremiah Study Bible" and has written several books and Bible studies. In this Sunday School Class, we will use Dr. Jeremiah's materials to study the traits that Jesus demonstrated in his life—traits that if we imitate—can make our life a life beyond amazing! This series will provide us with a roadmap to being a person of character patterned after the character of Christ. We hope that you can join us!

All Choirs Picnic -

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

6:30 pm

Markley Home

240 West 5th, JC

All Choirs Invited:

Chancel Choir

Glory Ringers

Bring delicious potluck foods, families, and frisbees!

Drinks will be provided!

Picnic Time!



Join us for Celebration Sunday on September 8!

Sunday School Classes will begin at 9:30am and there will be a celebration with the youth during worship as well.

3rd Graders will receive their bibles



Sunday School

Teachers Needed

**Kindergarten through 2nd
grade.**



We need ONE volunteer each week.



**Lessons are already
prepared for you!**



**If you can help, please get in touch with Dawn Avery by
email at edcoordinator.fpcjc@gmail.com. Thank you.**

Join us for our NEW YOUTH GROUP!!

(This is replacing our regular Wednesday night programming)



WHO: Kindergarten - 12th Grade

WHEN: 1st Sunday of the Month, immediately following worship (12-2pm). **The first meeting will be on September 8, due to Labor Day.**

WHERE: Meet downstairs in the dining room

WHAT: We will begin with a meal and fellowship with all the kids, then will split up into age groups to work on that month's community project!

TRUNK OR TREAT

Sunday, October 27
after worship

DECORATE YOUR VEHICLE AND SHARE SOME FUN WITH OUR KIDS!! SIGN UP TODAY!

Trick or treating is open to all kids **birth-5th grade**. Bring your friends!! Wear your costume to church if you'd like!

Families & kids - we will offer pizza and salad downstairs in the dining room before we "trick or treat"

MANSE PARKING LOT (WEST OF THE CHURCH)
START SETTING UP VEHICLES AFTER WORSHIP
KIDS WILL COME OUT AFTER THEIR MEAL

PLEASE PROVIDE PACKAGED CANDY/TREATS FOR OUR TRICK OR TREATERS AND DROP CANDY IN BAGS.

***IN CASE OF RAIN, THE EVENT WILL BE MOVED INSIDE**