

First Presbyterian Church of Ferguson

Church Matters



July 2019

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Mike Trautman,
Minister

Dr. Bill Wade,
Music Director

Marcia Key,
Office Administrator

Lee Weltmer,
Treasurer

John Shugert,
Financial Recorder

LaHaji Thomas,
Youth Ministry
Coordinator

Susan Owens,
Nursery Supervisor

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday:
8:30am to 12:30pm
Friday: Closed

Worship Schedule

9:00am Sunday School
9:45am Coffee Hour
10:15am Worship

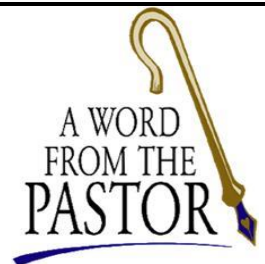
Choir Practice

Sun 9:00am

Hand Bell Choir Practice

Thurs 5:30pm

The last few months have placed several important items on our plates that can be at the very least, stressful. We are plunging into the deep waters of the unknown and are actively involved in bringing on a new Designated Co-Pastor to continue the process of this church moving into its future. Combined with my retirement in 3-4 years, some of us may be feeling a little anxious. Being a little anxious given these two realities is fine, however, that anxiety can latch onto other areas of our lives and seem a little overwhelming. Let me offer some ways of combating those anxious feelings.



Your leadership team and I are committed to listening to your concerns and trying our best to give you our best thinking concerning this interesting time. We want you to know, it is okay to be a little anxious about our future, but we truly believe we have put the best plan forward to deal with your concerns. We have a fantastic Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) and not only are they prepared for their work, but they are a strong and focused group; doing their work to bring us a great candidate. Another plus for us is that we know that when we are placed in different situations, we can find our way to the other side. Merging two churches usually results in failure but in our case, we have become a stronger more viable community. Lastly, we are not alone in this work. God is present in us and in this community and we can trust that God will continue to lead us on our journey.

Take some time to pray for our PNC; take some time to pray that our hearts will continue to flow with God's energizing grace. Pray that God will help us find the right woman or the right man who will be a gift to all. Pray for me that I will be at my best for the next three or so years.

Friends let not our hearts be troubled or afraid, believe in the One who is able to do far more than what we can hope or wish for.

Smile, take a deep breath, enjoy the beauty that is around you.

Peace,
Mike

July Birthdays

3 – Zachary Bujewski
4 – Drew Jones
5 – Stuart King
8 – Courtney Cobb
11 – Mike Schlobohm
12 – Alvin Cobb & James Knowles
15 – Barda Dickerson &
John Muench
17 – Heather Tallent
22 – Adam Van Pelt



24 – Jerry Kennedy & Earlene
Lawrence
25 – Joe Vrabel
27 – Maureen Kauten
28 – Dan Telford
29 – Monica Barks
30 – Kelly Cobb, Susie Owens &
John Shugert
31 – Carol Bibko & Arlie Tempel

(If someone's birthday is missing or incorrect, please; let the office know.)

THE BOOK CLUB



July 2, 2019
7:00 pm
Pachinko
By Min Jin Lee
Please Join Us!



We have completed the 2018-2019 Sunday School year. The children were instructed by many members of our church family. Our thanks to Dan Burnett, Kelly Cobb, Wendy Dean, Jan Foster, Jodie Hamer-Schlobohm, Stuart King, Debby Koenig, Adam Koser, Laura Koser, Kate Mazzacavallo, Jamie McDonald, Sue Rockow, Karen Schriefer, Nicole Tallent, La Haji Thomas and Glenda Wuertenberg for volunteering to be a part of this ministry. It was a joy to work with the children and we look forward to next school year.

Christian Education Committee

Schnucks Rewards vs eScrip Rebates

Since Schnucks began the Rewards program last year, many persons have been confused about which selection to make when shopping at Schnucks stores. If you wish to continue supporting the First Presbyterian church Food Voucher program using Schnucks rebates, you must present your eScrip card to the cashier at time of checkout and not request Schnucks Rewards. Schnucks employees have indicated to some shoppers that they can specify both programs, but we understand that is not really possible. You must specify one or the other program and not both. The past two years we averaged about \$47 per month from eScrip rebates while so far this year, we are down to about \$18 per month.

GOT LOTS OF OLD BOOKS?

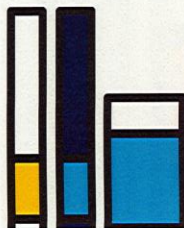
Donate them to Little Bit!

What you can donate:

- Children's books
- Young adult books
- Fiction/non-fiction books
- Stuffed Animals

We can accept new and gently used books and stuffed animals.

We are also collecting underwear in all sizes from child's small through adult xx-large.



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June 9 to July 28, 2019
Drop-off point: The Library



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Concern List:



- Betty Allen's Children– Ken,
Patty and Tom
- Tommy Babb – Friend of the Rockow family
- Mike Bowers – Barbara Bowers' Son
- Bill Carey – Jan Foster's Step Father-in-Law
- Santiago Casas –Great Grandson of Becky
Henderson
- Joe Cieniceros, Jr. – Nephew of Earleen Lawrence
- Robert Elliott – Lovene Hartman's Bother
- Kelly Gorham – Mike Trautman's Friend
- Matt Helm – Betty & Bob Rybacki's Grandson-in-Law
- Aaron Hotze
- Sue Harrington – Lisa Henderson's Sister
- Karen – Barbara Bowyer's Sister
- The Kennedy Family**
- Howard Nelson
- Nora – Great Granddaughter of Becky Henderson
- Norman Pingel
- Margaret Rauhut– Lee Rauhut's Mother
- Phyllis Ritts
- David Rutherford – Son of Maureen Rutherford
- Carson Shelley - Mike Trautman's Friend
- Todd Shelton "Big Todd"
- Rich Shugert – Brother of John Shugert
- Arle Tempel
- Nancy Tempel
- LaHaji Thomas
- Clyde Wade – Brother of Bill Wade

Please contact the church office if you have additional names.

CHURCH MATTERS

Church Happenings...

- Jul 2 8:00 am - ROMEOS at Cracker Barrel
- Jul 2 12:30 pm - Card Making (upstairs)
- Jul 4 **Happy 4th of July**
- Jul 9 12:30 pm - Card Making (upstairs)
- Jul 9 7:00 pm - Book Club
- Jul 10 11:00 am - Bible Study
- Jul 11 10:00 am - 2nd Thursday Circle
- Jul 16 8:00 am - ROMEOS at Cracker Barrel
- Jul 16 12:30 pm - Card Making (upstairs)
- Jul 17 10:00 am - Food Voucher Program
- Jul 21 11:30 am – Session Meeting
- Jul 23 12:30 pm - Card Making (upstairs)
- Jul 24 11:00 am - Bible Study
- Jul 26 9:00 am – PEO
- Jul 30 12:30 pm - Card Making (upstairs)

