



# church matters

Monthly Newsletter

Official Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church of Ferguson-Faith in Ferguson

## Summer is Over, Let Fall Begin

As summer winds down and the hotter days turn to cool fall breezes we are reminded of the wonders of God as expressed through nature. Although we still must physically distance ourselves, wear masks, and maintain our vigilant personal hygiene we welcome the new season with open arms.

September is a busy month for many of us as it signals the start of a new school year. Back to school will look completely different and it is our job as a community to make sure we support one another more than ever.

Unfortunately we are currently dealing with four major events from the pandemic, racial conflicts, economic crises, and environmental catastrophes. This time more than ever we must band together.

We are here to spiritually support you and offer as much aid as we can during these turbulent times.

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## Back to School

For many children, parents, teachers, staff, and administrators back to school is a very exciting time. This year, however, back to school looks a bit different from years past.

Last Spring schools closed for in-person learning mid March due to the coronavirus, COVID-19. This led parents, caregivers, and school staff to quickly adapt to children being at home and teachers needing to teach remotely. This led to a lot of chaos as everyone was trying to find their way.

One burning question of many people's mind has been, "what will school look like in the Fall?" During the summer months teachers have worked hard to learn how to use new online tools and train for how school would look should there be in-person learning.

As the start of school drew near districts scrambled to make reopening plans as well as contingency plans should there be a rise in COVID-19 cases. As a community of faith, we are called to help families and school administrators to navigated these uncharted waters.



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## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 – Sylvia Miller
- 3 – Bobby Koenig & Karla Koenig
- 8 – Diane Kasten, David Owens, & Florence Robertson
- 10 – David Fritchey
- 12 – Alex Lowery
- 13 – Cynthia Motley
- 16 – Joy Raab
- 20 – Debby Koenig, & Laura Koser
- 21 – Anne Cox
- 24 – Jackie Goff
- 28 – Benjamin Kuhlman
- 29 – Phyllis Fedorchak

## IN REMEMBRANCE

We remember those that we have loved and lost in August.

Dan Burnett  
Phyllis Ritts





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