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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWS

**Our Mission Statement:**

**Welcome, Learn, Serve**

**We welcome persons to faith in Jesus Christ;  
Learning together to live that faith in the real world;**

**Serving God Together.**

PRACTICING FAITHFULNESS IN ALL SEASONS!!

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Worship Service: Sunday, 10:30 am

**CHURCH OFFICE HORUS:**

**Wednesday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**Friday: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**SEPTEMER 2025**

**WELCOME**



There's just something about the end of summer that brings out the kid in you, isn't there? As a full-term adult - the summer just flies by from Memorial Day to Labor Day in the twinkling of an eye. But as a young boy, I remember the new school year taking forever to get here.

Perhaps as a child, you are in a fairly constant state of looking forward to something - family vacation, summer camp, baseball games, fairs, etc. When you are in the clutches of expectation, time slows down. All of that is replaced by deadlines and commitments as you mature and become responsible, and that shift in perspective generally accelerates the process of time.

Being in the moment can be a precious gift, that is often overlooked in deference to worldly concerns. While I wouldn't suggest that one should necessarily disregard matters of the world, I would propose that extra effort be expended to remain "in the moment."

The here and now of things is enough to contend with. Chances are this world will find a way to seep into your life without you having to seek it out, so go ahead and pay attention to that which unfolds before you. Because it's still light out after supper, and the days are warm and breezy. Enjoy what the good Lord has created, and praise Him continually for that creation.

Peace.

Always.

Pastor Wayne

### **Office hours:**

Pastor Waibel is in the office on Wednesday mornings from 9:00 am – 11:30 am  
He can be reached anytime on his cell phone 612-750-3443.

LuAnn Dahn (secretary) -Wednesday and Friday mornings. 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

### **Clergy Meeting**

Pastor Wayne attends clergy meetings monthly. If there is anything you would like him to bring up to discuss with the other clergy in the area, please let him know.

### **Prayers**

Marilyn Johnson, Denise Johnson, Karen Wakup, Nikki Bartholomew Leona Fabel, Brian Stolt  
Katy Keohen, Gladys Oberstar, Earl Tiegs, Randy Baumgard (Denise's brother).  
Victims of violence; Leaders; Those hard to love, gratitude for our friends,  
family, and community.



## **LEARN**

**Coffee hour** Please join us in the fellowship hall on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am  
prior to worship service for coffee and fellowship.



**WEB SITE!** FPC Church Website – Check it out – [www.fpcbp.org](http://www.fpcbp.org)

Reminder – If you are unable to attend a service at the church on Sunday mornings,  
Pastor Wayne is recording a message each week.

## SERVE



### Our Monthly OFFERINGS July & August, 2025

July 6	16	\$ 309.00	August 3	19	\$ 685.00
July 13	16	\$ 765.00	August 10	15	\$ 745.00
July 20	15	\$ 430.00	August 17	18	\$ 490.00
July 27	14	\$ 240.00	August 24	22	\$ 470.00
			August 31	n/a	n/a

Total Attendance 61  
Total July Offerings \$1744.00

Total Attendance 74  
Total August Offerings \$2390.000  
(minus 8/31 information)

*\*A detailed copy of the financial report is available in the church office.  
For more information, contact a Session member.*



### Meals On Wheels

First Presbyterian Church will be serving Meals on Wheels –  
Monday-Friday, September 1st – September 5th.

Thank you for your ministry in serving those in need.

Meals on Wheels coordinator and contact is Susan Volek at– 507-381-2028



### Operation Christmas Child –

We are getting ready to pack boxes for OCC. We are in need of children's underwear,  
both boys and girls – all sizes. Please contact Felicia Bohlman for any additional information.

## SEPTEMBER LEADERS AND ASSISTANTS:

### Deacon-

September 7 Dick Coleman  
September 14 Walt Lehtinen  
September 21 Dick Coleman  
September 28 Marilyn Johnson

### Worship Leaders

September 7 Dick Coleman  
September 14 Helen Lehtinen  
September 21 Pastor Wayne Waibel  
September 28 Pam Pint

### Greeters

September 7 Dick & Tammie Coleman  
September 14 Walt & Helen Lehtinen  
September 21 Marilyn McSweeney  
September 28 Jim & Carol Schmidt

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

### **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY'S and ANNIVERSARIES :**

**Happy Birthday to:** Tom Johnson

**Happy Anniversary to:** Mark & Kathy Hodapp, Brian & Breanna Stolt, and Denise & Tom Johnson

\*\*Please note: If you, or someone you know is having a birthday or anniversary, please let us know so that we may observe it in our newsletter. Please call the church office at 952-873-2966.

### **September Lectionary - 2025**

9-7-2025 – 14th Sunday after Pentecost  
Psalm 139:1-6,13-18  
Jeremiah 18:1-11  
Philemon 1:1-31  
Luke 14:25-33

9-14-2025 – 15th Sunday after Pentecost  
Psalm 14  
Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28  
1 Timothy 1:12-17  
Luke 15:1-10

9-21-2025 – 16th Sunday after Pentecost  
Psalm 79:1-9  
Jeremiah 8:18-9-1  
1 Timothy 2:1-7  
Luke 16:1-13

9-28-2025 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost  
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16  
Jeremiah 31:1-3  
1 Timothy 6:6-19  
Luke 16:19-31