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## FROM THE PASTOR

Our Session, in consultation with our Pastoral Nominating Committee and with an invitation from the Session of Calvary United Protestant Church, the Presbyterian church in Park Forest, has decided to **yoke** with Calvary to search for a full-time *shared pastor*. Our PNC has discovered that finding a qualified part-time pastor is difficult at best. Our financial situation is such that we cannot, in good conscience, commit to a full-time long-term pastor. Calvary, having had three part-time pastors in six years, has discovered that part-time pastors do not lead to stability, which is so important in our “unprecedented times.”

While I was in seminary, I was the student supply pastor for two and then three yoked congregations for a year each. My first call after seminary was to two yoked congregations. The easiest way I know to describe what “being yoked” means is that it is like having a roommate to be able to afford a nicer home and NOT like being married. Too easily folks might suspect this yoking is a round-about way to merger. Two things: first, this has NOTHING to do with merger. Merger, in the Presbyterian Church, comes from the bottom up and CANNOT be forced by Presbytery. Second, yoking comes from two congregations figuring out how to find the best way forward to a vital ministry in each *separate* community.

If I were the person considering the call to these two congregations, the fact that there are similar core values would encourage me. When the congregations are very different, a pastor easily becomes a soccer ball kicked back and forth. If I were looking for a call with forward looking congregations that make vitality and longevity likely, these two congregations with shared values for community involvement, music, faith formation and strong lay leadership would encourage me.

While this may be a direction in which most of us thought we wouldn't be moving, I believe it to be the possibility that leads each congregation to a bright future.

If you have questions, concerns, funny or not so funny stories relating to yoking, please contact me.

*Dudley Elvery*

## COMMUNION SCHEDULE

November 1 10:30 virtual worship  
All Saints' Sunday  
November 29 10:30 virtual worship  
Advent



## ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

Here at First Presbyterian of Homewood, we remember those saints who have died in the past year since last November 1<sup>st</sup> on All Saints' Sunday. *"All Saints' Day is a time to rejoice in all who through the ages have faithfully served the Lord. The day reminds us that we are part of one continuing, living communion of saints. ...It is a time to express our gratitude for all whom in ages of darkness kept the faith, for those who have taken the gospel to the ends of the earth, for prophetic voices who have called the church to be faithful in life and service, for all who have witnessed to God's justice and peace in every nation.*

*"To rejoice with all the faithful of every generation expands our awareness of a great company of witnesses above and around us like a cloud (Hebrews 12:1). It lifts us out of a preoccupation with our own immediate situation and the discouragements of the present. In the knowledge that others have persevered, we are encouraged to endure against all odds (Hebrews 12:1-2). Reminded that God was with the faithful of the past, we are reassured that God is with us today, moving us and all creation toward God's end in time. [To this end, we] commemorate the lives of those who died during the previous year."*

Quotation is from the *Companion to the Book of Common Worship*, Geneva Press, 2003, pp 150-151.

### Roll Call 2020

Peggy Dillman (Laura & Phil Dillman's aunt)  
John Bonthron (Doug's father)  
Martin Leimnetzer (Melodee's brother)  
Raymond Baird  
Henry Noetzel (Laurie Ulrich's father)  
Betty Smallwood  
Tammi Gunter (Monday dinner guest)  
Maryann Dorr (Laura & Phil Dillman's cousin)  
Faye Helber (Jay Webster's aunt)  
Ann Wood  
Captain Jack Day  
Ernesto Hilario (Emmanuel' brother)  
Gladys Noble  
Norma Robison (Jay Webster's grandmother)  
Rev. Larry Leonard  
James Hanley (Richard's grandfather & Olivia & Grace's great-grandfather)  
Pauline Briggs (Kathie Darman's sister)  
Sharon Hentschel (Tom's mother)  
Jonna James  
Helen – Monday dinner guest  
Tim Noetzel (Laurie Ulrich's brother)  
All COVID 19 victims.

Please continue to keep the families in prayer as they grieve the loss of their loved ones and yet live in hope in Jesus' promise of life eternal. The names of those who have left us during the past year will be tolled on Nov. 1 during a virtual on-line Communion service. Even the traditional white roses will be a part of the virtual service. *In life and in death, we belong to God. Amen.*

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for our beautiful autumn trees and the wonderful wildlife—pretty birds, frisky little squirrels, and one deer who stops by occasionally. God's creatures are wonderful.*  
**Jan Rolls**

## A SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS



On Monday, November 9, at 6:30 p.m. we again present on our web site a virtual service of *Healing and Wholeness* as we did on Sept. 7. Please access this November service from our web site **fpchw.org** and use a pull-down under "Worship." Our increasing awareness of how broken our world has become can either overwhelm us and push us into apathy or even despair or move us to say "enough is enough" and realign ourselves with God's dreams and possibilities for a Kingdom on Earth. This service can become a small step in that direction by helping us to experience anew God's healing, peace-giving grace or by refueling us for becoming agents of healing and reconciliation or both. Taking time for this mimics a pattern for Jesus and his disciples. They would be out in the thick of a clamoring multitude and then retreat to a quiet place to reconnect, recharge, and clarify their mission. Our quiet place awaits us in this service.

*Dudley Elvery*

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for a home and a garden that I enjoy. I have been thankful for the fact that I can drive and appreciate God's colorful world and get to where I need to go on my own.*

**Charlene Hansen**

## CHICAGO HEIGHTS FELLOWSHIP

Some of the men of our church still join the Chicago Heights First Presby Men's Fellowship. They met on Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, at Paulie's Pub, 2736 Chicago Road, South Chicago Heights. For November, they plan to gather at Paulie's Pub at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, November 20. All are welcome.



*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for the assurance that God has “got this covered.”*

*Laurie Ulrich*



**TRUSTEE REPORT**

Marge Errant has changed the front porch planters to fall decorations. Fall fertilizer and weed and feed has been applied to the lawn. Ongoing weeding and fall clean-up have been done. Many thanks to Marge, Johnnie Dorsey, Paul Gerrish, and Laura Dillman—and probably others. The stop sign attached to the northeast corner of the church office is down again and will have to be re-anchored.

Jim Foster

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for being able to work in the Aki Garden with Paul Gerrish. I even encountered a praying mantis to photograph to go along with my photos of butterflies and flowers. I am thankful that a photo was featured on a Tom Skilling Weathercast photo segment. For the beauty of the earth, spreading love and joy.*

*Laura Dillman*



**STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE MINISTRY TEAM**

One of the recent gifts to the church was a stock donation of 430 shares of highly appreciated stock. The donor has applied the donation to his/her pledge tax free for 2020. At present, the shares are in the church’s TD Ameritrade account to be sold when favorable market conditions occur. The estimated value of the sale is \$7,100. Similarly, two Required Minimum Distributions from the retirement accounts of the donor(s) for 2020 pledge giving arrived in mid-September. The total amount for these two RMD’s was over \$7,600.

These recent gifts give proof to the fact that donations from stock and retirement funds are non-taxable by the IRS for the donors if given directly to the church. There is still time in 2020, so talk to your investment advisor. Anyone can save on paying income taxes on the sale of stock shares and retirement fund shares by making such donations as tax exempt pledges to the church.

During this time of holding virtual Sunday worship services, we do sing the Doxology and offer a prayer of dedication for the weekly offering. Every member or giving unit has a box of offering envelopes to be used when an offering is mailed. Please use your envelopes with your box number so we can accurately record your giving to your statement. When your next statement arrives in the mail, check your progress toward your 2020 pledge and Per Capita. Please don’t fall behind. Our search for our new pastor is in progress.

The summary of receipts and disbursements for the First Presbyterian Church of Homewood for the month ending September 30, 2020, is in the following chart:

	<u>Through September</u>	<u>2020 Budget</u>
<b>General Fund Income</b>		
Identified Giving	\$91,945	\$130,000
Loose Offering	211	1,500
Initial Offering	413	500
Required Min. Dist./Stock Sale	8,266	5,000
Community Dinners Donations	770	3,000
Other Income	15,959	3,000
Dividends & Capital Gains	1,050	14,000
Sale of Investment Shares	0	37,400
Endowment Fund Distributions	0	9,000
Transfer from Designated Fund	<u>1,250</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total General Fund Income</b>	<b>119,864</b>	<b>203,400</b>
<b>General Fund Expenses</b>		
Missional Ventures	\$1,194	6,500
Faith Formation	303	1,800
Facilities	25,845	51,500
Staff	55,962	82,000
Transition	30,908	54,300
Administrative Support	3,157	7,300
Purchase of Investment Shares	0	0
Transfer to Designated Fund	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>Total General Fund Expenses</b>	<b>117,469</b>	<b>203,400</b>
<b>Designated Fund Income</b>	<b>\$9,570</b>	
<b>Designated Fund Expenses</b>	<b>12,076</b>	
<b>Total Active Members—September 30, 2020</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>107</b></span>		
<b>Average Sunday Attendance—June 2020</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>0</b></span>		
<b>Average Sunday Attendance—July 2020</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>0</b></span>		
<b>Average Sunday Attendance—August 2020</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>0</b></span>		
<b>Average Sunday Attendance—September 2020</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>0</b></span>		
<b>Summary through September 2020 (9/12 of Budget):</b>		
Income Over/(Under) 2020 Budget		(\$32,686)
Expenses Over/(Under) 2020 Budget		(35,080)
<b>2020 Total Net Income (Loss) to Date</b>		<b>2,394</b>

We need an average income of **\$4,000** each week to fund our mission and operate our church. This is inclusive of pledges and identified giving as well as other income sources. So, how are we doing?

- Weekly average for January (4) \$3,526
- Weekly average for February (4) \$3,646
- Weekly average for March (5) \$2,161
- Weekly average for April (4) \$2,880
- Weekly average for May (5) \$3,265
- Weekly average for June (4) \$5,820
- Weekly average for July (4) \$1,856
- Weekly average for August (5) \$1,549
- Weekly average for September (4) \$3,465
- **Weekly average for 2020 (39) \$3,073**

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for the men and women who dedicated themselves to serve others during the pandemic, not only health care workers but those who produced our food, transporters, grocers, and others. There are many hands who toiled to make it possible for us to sustain our lives. Many worked behind the scenes and continue to do so. I am thankful for the many things that we took for granted before the pandemic and now recognize how vital they are for our existence.*

*Lee Hilario*

## VIRTUAL WORSHIP SERVICES



Online  
Worship

Kathie Hazlett, with great help from Kathie Darman and Laurie Ulrich, will continue to edit and post online worship services during the month of November on the church website [fpcnw.org](http://fpcnw.org) under the heading of **Worship**. Join the service at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday in order to worship “together” or at any other time. Recent services are stored on the website, too. *And remember that **Heavenly Perks** is open on the website on Zoom each Sunday from 11:15 a.m. till 1 p.m.!*

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for our Worship Team for putting together all aspects of the virtual worship services online: Kathie H., Kathie D., Laurie, Karen, Pastor Dudley, Tim, and all of our liturgists. I am also thankful to have Scripture Scribbles to see by Phil Dillman and our Heavenly Perks group on Zoom as well.*

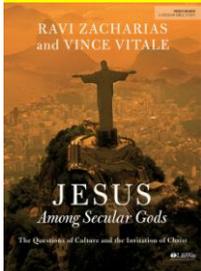
*Laura Dillman*

## FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY

### PANERA TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM

Tuesday Bible Study is still meeting at 10:30 a.m. each Tuesday, of course. Contact Kathie Darman at [kathie.darman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kathie.darman@sbcglobal.net) for the Zoom invitation to join in. All are welcome.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT ZOOM CLASS WITH TIM



We’ve dipped into science and history with our first few classes on apologetics. Now we’re going to take a chance to look at philosophy. How do the philosophical teachings of Jesus size up to other competing philosophies that have grown to popularity in recent decades—hedonism, pluralism, scientism, and others? How should Christians respond to these ideas? Do they conflict with the teachings of Christianity?

Our new course is *Jesus Among Secular Gods* by Ravi Zacharias and Vince Vitale. There is a subtitle of *The Questions of Culture and the Invitation of Christ*. Class is held weekly on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. on Zoom. For a copy of the Zoom link to join the class, please contact [tlvannasdale@gmail.com](mailto:tlvannasdale@gmail.com).

Here is a brief description of the course from the website:

*“As belief in the secular gods of atheism, hedonism, relativism, and humanism continues to grow, it’s more important than ever for believers to be able to defend and share the claims of Christ. Of course, this clash of worldviews is nothing new. Throughout Paul’s writing in the New Testament are references to elemental forces that seek to separate believers from the love and truth of Jesus.*

*“Not only has the Christian worldview been devalued and dismissed by modern culture, but its believers are also openly ridiculed as irrelevant. This six-session Bible study challenges the popular and trending philosophies of the day, skillfully pointing out the fallacies in their claims and presenting compelling evidence for absolute truth as found in Jesus and revealed in Scripture. Learn how to confront the empty promises of cultural philosophies and develop confidence sharing the claims of Christ.”*

**Class Schedule:** may be subject to change

*Where we have been –*

- Oct. 7 Be Prepared (Part 1)
- Oct. 14 Be Prepared (Part 2)
- Oct. 21 Atheism and Scientism (Part 1)
- Oct. 28 Atheism and Scientism (Part 2)

*Where we are going –*

- Nov. 4 Pluralism (Part 1)
- Nov. 11 Pluralism (Part 2)
- Nov. 18 Humanism and Relativism (Part 1)
- Nov. 25 NO CLASS
- Dec. 2 Humanism and Relativism (Part 2)
- Dec. 9 Hedonism (Part 1)
- Dec. 16 Hedonism (Part 2)
- Dec. 23 Conversations That Count (Part 1)
- Dec. 30 Conversations That Count (Part 2)

Elements of these secular ideas have shown up in every conversation that I’ve had with nonbelievers and in many conversations I’ve had with believers as well. All worldviews attempt to answer some of the deepest questions in life. *What’s the meaning of life? What is my purpose? What will happen to me when I die?* In this class, we will explore the most successful and popular

secular responses to these challenging questions and compare them with the answers provided in Christianity. Knowing what these competing philosophical concepts involve and what challenges they pose to the teachings of Jesus can be super helpful in evaluating and strengthening our own beliefs as well as helping us to address questions when the opportunity arises to give reasons for the hope within us (1 Peter 3:15).

If you haven't already, I hope you will consider joining us on Wednesdays for fellowship and discussion of this course. If you have any questions about the class, would like the Zoom link to join, or if you can't attend and would like to be added to the email list in order to follow along from home, please email me at [tlvannasdale@gmail.com](mailto:tlvannasdale@gmail.com).  
Tim VanNasdale

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for friends that I can contact by phone, email, or Zoom; friends that I can have a "bring your own lunch and social distance" get-together with; friends that I can play bridge with on occasion.* Charlene Hansen

## PRAYER CARDS

The following members, friends, and staff of First Presbyterian Church of Homewood will receive a card telling them that the church is praying for them. Please pray for those listed.  
Kathie Darman

### Week of November 1

Kirk Nickerson/Priscilla Mereness  
Kathie & Jim Ogden  
Kathleen O'Hanlon  
Betty Owens  
Elizabeth & Paul Palumbo

### Week of November 8

Marilyn Perdue  
Judy Petrovic  
Richard & Barb Pizza  
Norinne Pulec  
Helen Rachford

### Week of November 15

Janice Rolls  
Betty Ross  
Emily Rozak  
Jay & Debra Ruklic  
Ron & Beverly Shropshire

### Week of November 22

June Sluis  
Shirley Smiddy  
Pat Steiner  
Eleanor Steiner  
Brian & Kelly Tufts

### Week of November 29

Paul & Sylvia Tufts  
Laurie Ulrich  
Tim VanNasdale  
Dean & Linda VanNasdale  
Sandy VanHorn



*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for all the prayers, cards, and phone calls while I was in the hospital and at home. My church family means so much to me.* Marilyn Austin

## Lee Hilario

There are many blessings that come everyday despite the pandemic. I want to share this hymn from our blue Presbyterian Hymnal, page 552:

*Give Thanks, O Christian People*  
Mary Jackson Cathey, 1984

Give thanks, O Christian people,  
For workers of our day  
Who heed the call of service,  
And make it their life's way  
To go to feed the hungry,  
To tend to those in need,  
To work for equal justice  
Till God's folk are freed.

Give thanks, O Christian people,  
For leaders of our years  
Who love to share with others  
Our joy when Christ appears,  
To teach the ones who seek light,  
To guide the faltering feet,  
To lead the followers forward  
Our living Lord to meet.

Give thanks, O Christian people,  
For all who love the Lord,  
Who live each day believing  
In God's eternal Word,  
To share Christ's love in living,  
To witness with each deed,  
To use the talents given  
To plant the gospel seed.

Give thanks, O Christian people,  
For life in fellowship  
With all who trust our Savior  
Their serving to equip,  
To ease another's burdens,  
To cope in joy and stress,  
To magnify God's message  
And Christ's great love confess.

*Happy Thanksgiving to all, Lee and Emmanuel Hilario*

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for our Pastor, for Kathie Hazlett who creates our virtual worship in our homes and all who make that possible, for scripture of the day and prayers for the people, for music played and the classes held by Zoom, and lest we forget that our church needs continued maintenance despite the pandemic, thankful for all the hands that do the work. Most of all, I am thankful for God's blessings.* Lee Hilario

## HOSPITALIZED

In the hospital during the past month was Eleanor Steiner.



## NURSING HOME / REHAB

Mae Evert, Lemont Center Rehab; Pat Steiner, Plymouth Place, LaGrange Park; Marilyn Perdue, Clarendale of Mokena.

*During the pandemic, we have been thankful for Pastor Nancy Dederer being able to find a new job as transitional (interim) pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Lexington, North Carolina.*

*First Presbyterian Homewood*

## SYMPATHY

Church sympathy is extended to the families of Jonna James, Sharon Hentschel (mother of Tom) and Tim Noetzel (brother of Laurie Ulrich).



*I am the Resurrection and the Life saith the Lord: he that believeth in me though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.*

## GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

The following has been recorded in the Memorial Book in the Narthex: Jonna James, Sharon Hentschel.

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for our wonderful church family and our amazing church staff who go above and beyond the call of duty each and every day. I am thankful for the joy of seeing our Panera Bible Study class and Wednesday evening adult class with Tim VanNasdale, both on Zoom.*

*Laura Dillman*

### **Ed Wahl**

I am amazed at the “new normals” that have become part of my routine life. I enjoy any reason or excuse to drive somewhere, anywhere, in my car. It now takes seven to nine weeks to use a tank of gasoline. Grocery store, Tri-City mail drop box, sacks of birdseed, carry-out lunches from Subway, doctors, lab tests, dentist, haircuts, lunch with men from 1<sup>st</sup> Pres in Chicago Heights, paying church bills, model club meetings—all these trips are somewhere to go away from the house. I have become reacquainted with the kitchen stove and microwave in meal planning and preparation. I have

brought the Session records books and the church rolls and registers up to date. And finally, I have learned the power of zoom for bringing me into touch with people, classes, and enrichment opportunities. Yes, the pandemic has made a big difference in my life. I need more time in the day to keep learning “new normals.”

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for all the animals in my house and in my backyard who entertain me and occupy my time. Oh, so many: 4 cats in the house, 4-5 cats in the woods, 6 raccoons (one is all black except for a beige chin), 3 opossums, 2 deer, a declining number of chipmonks because of a cat, lots of squirrels, and birds, birds, birds.* Janet Wahl

## DON'T FORGET

Remember that Daylight Saving Time ends early in the morning on November 1<sup>st</sup>. Turn the clocks back one hour when you go to bed Saturday night. This will give you an extra hour of sleep.



## DECEMBER CARILLON

The deadline for having articles placed in the December *Carillon* is **Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>**. Please turn in all materials in writing and e-mail the Editor at [ewahl@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ewahl@sbcglobal.net). Remember to keep on sharing joys and concerns about our “new” life and thoughts for a “new” Christmas. The Editor thanks the November reporters for their assistance. JC=W=

### **Karen Maurer**

Greetings from Carol Stream, Illinois. Having lived in the south suburbs/Cook County for 58 years, everything is new, even though I’ve gone only an hour away. I shop at Caputo’s, have a new primary doctor, still have Osco as my pharmacy, and I can take things to Good Will. When I moved to Brookdale three years ago, my neighborhood was still near by—an easy transition. Now it’s not, so how not to feel “lost in space”?

The Panera Bible Study group that meets on Zoom on Tuesday mornings recently read a Henri Nouwen book that considered questions of identity, so that’s been on my mind: Who am I? How did I get to be who I am? How do I know? What do other people contribute? Can identity change? All are up-front questions when you move, and all are compounded by the pandemic.

At its simplest, you need to remember WHO you are and WHOSE you are. Working with Laurie to ask people to

be liturgists for our virtual worship service, knowing the work that Dudley, Tim, and Kathie H and D put in to creating the Sunday morning service that I enjoy; valuing Shirley's behind-the-scenes care for us; knowing Tim's class is meeting on Wednesday nights and that a group of Presbyterian men are gathering at Paulie's; getting the Heritage Presbyterian Church (Carol Stream) worship bulletin every Saturday—all helps with the WHO and the WHOSE.

Who would have thought this would last so long?  
I miss you.

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for a mini-get-together with the Dillman family and my Pepsi family as well.*  
*Laura Dillman*

## DELAYED SESSION REPORT

### Regular Session Meeting, October 26, 2020

The story of creating a yoked church relationship with Calvary United Protestant Church, Park Forest, continues. Both Sessions have now met each other on a Zoom conference call. Each Session has named a three-person delegation to the common yoking committee. Representing First Presbyterian Church of Homewood will be Kathleen O'Hanlon, Jay Ruklic, and Ron Shropshire. The purpose of the yoking committee is to discuss both immediate and future details of church operations. The Sessions will then receive recommendations, reach conclusions, and make decisions. With the assistance of our respective representatives from the Presbytery of Chicago's Commission on Ministry, the Ministry Information Forms for both churches must be brought into alignment.

With the sanctuary closed to in-person worship, Session decided to not ask for our members to purchase flowers for Christmas decorations. Using the same money that would have been used to buy the flowers, we are asked to donate through the church to either Respond Now! or to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. More details on this will follow next month in *The Carillon*.

Two Special Worship Services are coming in November. The first is the virtual Special Service for Healing and Wholeness (Veterans' Day theme) on Monday, November 9, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. **The second is the virtual Thanksgiving Eve Special Service on Wednesday, November 25, 2020, at 7 p.m. on Zoom.** With so many of our members and visitors not allowed to safely travel for the holidays this year, these extra services will help in keeping and uniting us in worship and fellowship.

After literally years of research, study, and discussion, the Personnel & Administration Ministry Team under Elder Kathleen O'Hanlon (chair) received the last missing wording from our insurance company for the Sex Offender Policy. With that wording in place, Session voted to approve the new Sex Offender Policy.

Rev. Elvery requested approval to lead a special Christian Education Advent Bible Study on the theme of "*Names for the Messiah*," by Walter Bruggeman for four weeks on successive Tuesdays beginning November 24, 2020, at 7 p.m. The series will be hosted on Zoom. Session approved. [Books will probably be available. Watch our website for particulars.]

Active Member Jonna G. James passed away on Wednesday, October 7, 2020. Rev. Elvery officiated her funeral service. Her remains were buried at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery.

Rev. Jane Tuma returned to lead worship on Sunday, October 18, 2020, while Rev. Elvery was on one week of unpaid vacation leave in Tennessee.

Elder Kathie Hazlett shared statistical information on the activity on the church's website. Over 300,000 visits, or hits, have been recorded so far. Interest in our virtual Sunday worship services continues to climb. The numbers are very general and lack specific detail, but the trend of the traffic is encouraging.



Respectfully submitted,  
Edward C. Wahl, Clerk of Session

*During the pandemic, I have been thankful for the church worship service that is so beautifully done and full of meaning. I am thankful for the strength of God's hand.*  
*Charlene Hansen*

[Editor's Notes: 1) The two "old" Bible classes can be accessed from the website – [fpchw.org](http://fpchw.org) – under Worship any Sunday from October 18 on. 2) The calendar is back!]

### *Birthday Greetings to our church family:*

November	November
5 Kathie Ogden	16 Jim Foster III
9 Kim Hamilton	20 Brian Tufts
11 Laurie Ulrich	24 Elizabeth Palumbo
Paul Gerrish	29 Deborah Maxwell

**May God grant birthday blessings on you all this coming year.**

# NOVEMBER 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> 10:30 Virtual Worship on Website <b>Communion</b> <b>All Saints' Day</b> Heavenly Perks on Website <b>Daylight Saving Time ends</b>	<b>2</b>  <b>All Saints' Day</b>	<b>3</b> 10:30 Tuesday Bible Study on Zoom  <b>ELECTION DAY</b>	<b>4</b>  7:00 Wednesday Bible Study w/ Tim on Zoom	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 10:30 Virtual Worship on the Website  Heavenly Perks on Website	<b>9</b>  Stewardship Team on Zoom <b>6:30 Service of Healing</b> on Website	<b>10</b> 10:30 Tuesday Bible Study on Zoom	<b>11</b> <b>VETERANS DAY</b>  7:00 Wednesday Bible Study w/ Tim on Zoom	<b>12</b>  <b>VETERANS DAY</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 10:30 Virtual Worship on the Website  Heavenly Perks on Website	<b>16</b>  7:00 Session on Zoom	<b>17</b> 10:30 Tuesday Bible Study on Zoom	<b>18</b>  7:00 Wednesday Bible Study w/ Tim on Zoom	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 12:30 Chicago Heights Men's Fellowship  <b>Carillon Deadline</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 10:30 Virtual Worship on the Website  Heavenly Perks on Website	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 10:30 Tuesday Bible Study on Zoom  7:00 <b>Advent</b> Bible Study on Zoom w/Dudley	<b>25</b>  NO WEDNESDAY BIBLE 7:00 <b>Thanksgiving Eve Service</b> on Zoom	<b>26</b>  <b>Thanksgiving</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 10:30 Virtual Worship on Website <b>Communion</b> <b>First Sunday of Advent</b>  Heavenly Perks on Website	<b>30</b>		 <b>CAST YOUR VOTE</b>			 <b>SERVICE OF HEALING</b>