

## Message from the Pastor

Paul Harvey has said, *"Too many Christians are no longer fishers of [people] but they are keepers of the aquarium."* Too often we become so wrapped up in the **JOBS** of the church we lose sight of the **MISSION** of the church; a mission which can clearly and simply be described as this: **BRINGING PEOPLE TO CHRIST**. That is the heart and soul of why we are here, to **BRING PEOPLE TO CHRIST**. That is why Jesus called those first disciples, to **BRING PEOPLE TO CHRIST**, to be fishers of people.

And in order to **BRING PEOPLE TO CHRIST**, you do not have to stand on a corner and thump your Bible. You do not have to go to Seminary. But you do have to be **loving** - you do have to **follow Christ** - be with Him and take on His characteristics and try to live as He lived. Because if you are not **loving**, if you are not **welcoming**, if you are not **Christlike** ... if you do not **forgive** one another and **forego judgement** and **build one another up**, if you do not live a

life which reflects the Beatitudes attributes of **meekness** and **honesty** and **peacefulness** and **righteousness** and **mercy**, then whatever you're using for bait hasn't come from Jesus Christ.

Did you know that, if you are a typical person, about HALF the people you know are effectively unchurched? They may have their name on a church roll somewhere, but they have not been to church for at least six months for anything other than a wedding, a funeral or a Christmas or Easter service.

Fancy church buildings, the charm of the world's greatest preacher, the world's friendliest congregation ... they pale in comparison to the hand of the person who reaches out to their friend, neighbor, or colleague, and says, *"Come with me."* Statistics are overwhelming; better than 70%, in the response people give when asked why they joined a church - they said that some-



one had asked them. They were invited!

It's really just a matter of saying: *"Hey friend. We have a really friendly congregation and lots of opportunities to serve and grow at our church. Why don't you come with me?"* That's all there is to it - the invitation has been extended - it's not up to you to wrest a conversion from the person! You just invite - the Holy Spirit will do the hard part.

We have a great thing going here at FPC. Why not invite others to experience it?

### Scripture of the Month — Matthew 4:19

*"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people."*

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#### Special dates of interest:

- **Young Adult Party—June 1**
- **Communion & Service of Healing & Wholeness—June 3**
- **Helping Hands—June 4**
- **Bus Maintenance—June 6**
- **Budget & Finance Meeting—June 6**
- **Congregational Meeting—June 10**
- **Session Meeting—June 10**
- **Vacation Bible School—June 11-14**
- **Threads of Love—June 12**
- **General Assembly—June 16-23**
- **Father's Day—June 17**
- **Search Committee Meeting—June 18**
- **Property Committee Meeting—June 25**
- **Safari Park Adventure—June 30**



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### SESSION

<i>Class of 2018</i>	<i>Class of 2019</i>
Catherine Carls	Leigh Anne Bentley
Virginia Conger	Tammy Buchanan-Anderson
Mike Dunnivant	Bryan Byrd
Joey Howell	James Harris
Jody Pickens	Carol Sue Keathley
Molly Richardson	Justin Smith

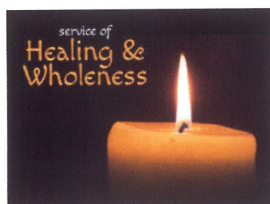
### *Class of 2020*

David Greene  
Russell Jones  
Stacey McAdams  
Kevin Pauley  
Bill Sipes  
Stephannie Williams

### OUR VISION

*First Presbyterian Church is called to be a faithful and inclusive congregation which enthusiastically glorifies God in our worship, education, nurture and service through the love and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

## Service of Healing and Wholeness



### SERVICE OF HEALING & WHOLENESS

In May, First Presbyterian will begin a monthly Sunday evening Service of Healing and Wholeness.

What is a service of healing and wholeness?

The PC (USA) Directory for Worship reminds us that *"Healing was an integral part of the ministry of Jesus which the church has been called to continue as one dimension of its concern for the wholeness of people."*

These services will be open to all those desiring healing for themselves, or for others of special concern to them, as well as others simply seeking support as we all experience brokenness in our lives. Through services for wholeness, the church enacts in worship its ministry as a healing community. The vital element of worship in the service for wholeness is prayer, as we wait in faith and offer a response to the Word read and proclaimed announcing the gospel's promise of wholeness through Christ.

Join us at 5:00 PM on the scheduled dates and find an opportunity for reconciliation and renewed commitment to the service of Jesus Christ in the world.

May 6  
June 3  
August 5  
September 9  
October 7  
November 4  
December 2

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV)



### Lectionary Readings for June 2018

**June 3 ~ 1 Samuel 3:1-20; Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18; 2 Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:23-3:6**

**June 10 ~ 1 Samuel 8:4-20; 1 Samuel 11:14-15; Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35**

**June 17 ~ 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34**

**June 24 ~ 1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49; Psalm 9:9-20; 1 Samuel 17:57-18:5, 10-16; Psalm 133; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41**


## Wednesdays at First ~ taking a break!



Taking a break for the summer!

Our normal schedule is Dinner at 5:15 PM followed at 6:00 PM with *BLAST!*, Launch Pad Kids, Youth Group, and Small Group study. Watch your newsletters and bulletins during the summer for announcements of the return of Wednesday Night Dinners! (Aug. 15th!) *Summer Sunset Suppers* will return also, so plan to join us on August 1 & 8.

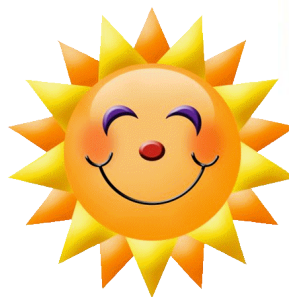
**FALL SMALL GROUPS:** Small groups have ended, but will resume in August. Please stop by the table in Fellowship Hall and look at possible Wednesday Night Small Group options. Books for each of the possible topics are on the table for your review. Questionnaires are on the table; please complete one and leave in the basket on the table.



**JUNE 10, 2018**

The Session has called a Congregational meeting for Sunday, June 10 immediately following the worship service for the purpose of electing a Nominating Committee.

The Personnel Committee will be placing the following persons into nomination for this committee: David Greene (Chair), Charles Blankenship, Jan Crossett, Bill Hymers, Russell Jones, Katy Justice, and Stacey McAdams.



hello june



## Vacation Bible School Needs List ~ Donations Appreciated!

Red, Yellow, & Orange Tissue Paper  
6 Cans Brown Spray Paint  
10 Pool Noodles  
6 Blue Tarps  
10 Ping Pong Paddles  
6 Life Jackets (Any Size- will be returned)  
Sponges  
2 Laundry Baskets  
4 Frisbees  
4 Helmets (bike or rafting)  
Newspaper  
Plastic Grocery Bags  
Colorful Duct Tape  
20 Vinyl Tablecloths (will not be returned)  
Reusable Grocery Bags (will not be returned)  
Craft Sticks (800)  
Glue Dots  
Plastic Lacing  
Pony Beads  
4 Small Camping Tents  
4 Kayaks (Decoration only – Kids won't use)  
Raft oars

4 Intex 2-person rafts (Kids WILL use- might not be returned)  
Fake Christmas Trees – Any Size Green color- We will use these as decoration throughout, so as many as possible. Please label for easier return!

### Snack Supply List:

Sugar Cookies (1 per Child)  
8 Tubs Blue or White Icing  
2 Bags Gummy Fish  
3 Big Boxes Gold Fish  
“Otter” Brand Popsicles  
3 Bags Pretzel Sticks  
5-6 Bags Green Grapes  
4 Gallons Blue Hawaiian Punch  
8 Boxes Honey Teddy Grahams  
4 Bags Chocolate Chips  
6 Bags Mini Marshmallows  
Seedless Watermelon







## PW of First Presbyterian

### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

**TO ALL LADIES!!** To all ladies of the church who would like to participate in a Circle/Bible Study, please contact Katy Justice at 616-6026 or Kathy House 423-1065. *All are welcome!*

**Installation of Officers** was held at the PW Bring-A-Dish on May 14.

#### New Officers for 2018-19:

Moderator—Katy Justice  
Vice Moderator—Kathy House  
Secretary—Carol Green  
Treasurer—Susan Boutwell  
Historian—Catherine Carls  
Spiritual Growth-Polly Pledger  
Community Service—Barbara Fowler  
Missions—Karen Broughton  
Prayer Chain—Sandra Lawson  
Hospitality—Benita Brown

#### Circle Leaders:

Abigail— Jenny Craig  
Baara— Gail Marple  
Deborah— Vivian Pauley &  
Libby Reynolds  
Mary— Twyla Morgan &  
Molly Richardson

#### Service Opportunities:

**Helping Hands:** First Monday of each month @ 9:30 AM in Fellowship Hall,

**Threads of Love:** Second Tuesday of each month @ 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

**RIFA Soup Kitchen** —(Desserts)

*June 1—Mary*

*July 2—Abigail*

*August 1—Baara*

*September 4—Deborah*

**Collect Eyeglasses** for Mark Harris to take overseas.



### MEN' S TUESDAY COFFEE GROUP

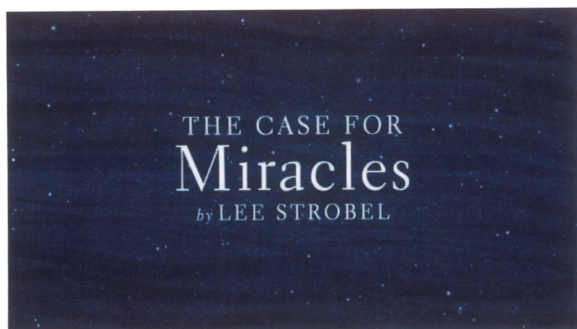
9:00 AM Sun Parlor,  
Memorial Hall

If you would like free coffee and free food, as well as great fellowship and lively conversation, why don't you come and join us? It's casual - we gather at 9 AM and finish up about 10 AM-ish....and you are welcome to come and go as needed. We would love to have you join us! Just show up on Tuesday morning!

## Summer Sunday School

### Summer Sunday School

(This is an intergenerational class for ALL of the congregation.)



#### Led by David Greene

Please join us this Summer for an interesting book study on *The Case for Miracles: A Journalist Investigates Evidence for the Supernatural* by Lee Strobel. This book is a new release and the author is well known for many other books such as *Case for Christ* and *Case for Faith*. (Books are not required.)

#### QUICK OVERVIEW:

New York Times bestselling author Lee Strobel trains his investigative sights on the hot-button issue of whether it's credible to believe God intervenes supernaturally in people's lives today. The book features the results of exclusive new scientific polling and first-hand reports that show miracle accounts are much more common than people think.

**Date: Begins on June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Can't make it every Sunday...feel free to drop in as your schedule allows.

**Location: Library**



## Summer Popsicle Fun!



## Membership Corner

**“In Christ, we who are many form one body,  
and each member belongs to all the others.” Romans 12:5**



**Jimmie Womble**

*Joined April 29, 2018  
by Baptism and Profession of Faith*

119 Carol Ann Dr.  
Jackson, TN 38301

**Christen Reynolds**

*Joined April 29, 2018  
by Reaffirmation of Faith*

62 Keelange Cove  
Jackson, TN 38305



**Will and Elizabeth Johnson**

*Joined April 29, 2018  
by Reaffirmation of Faith*

11 Northwood Ave.  
Jackson, TN 38301

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE  
TO BECOME PART  
OF THE  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH FAMILY,  
PLEASE CONTACT  
CEIL COWLES  
OR JOHN WHITE  
AT THE CHURCH OFFICE  
422-1591**



**Can't be at worship?**

**JOIN US** by connecting online with  
our new livestream service.

**You can catch the service as it  
happens, or catch up by viewing  
the services that are archived.**

**Go to our website:  
[www.fpcjacksontn.org](http://www.fpcjacksontn.org)**



**NO  
Newsletter in July!  
July 18th  
Deadline for  
August Issue!**

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**June 11-14 : Vacation Bible School  
June 30: Safari Park Adventure  
July 8: Ben Mathes at FPC!  
July 20-22: NaCoMe Church Family Camp  
August 1 & 8: Summer Sunset Suppers  
August 12: Rally Day  
August 15: Wednesday Night Dinners Resume**

### FROM CONGREGATIONAL CARE COMMITTEE:



**Need a ride to church  
or to church activities?**  
Call Virginia Conger  
731-427-2626



**Are you unable to attend  
church and would like home  
communion?** Call the church office 422-1591, and  
you will be contacted when communion is observed,  
and a convenient time will be scheduled.



### Can You Give a Lift to a Friend?

Occasionally, on Sunday mornings people  
need a ride to church from different areas of  
the city. If we have a need in your vicinity,  
can we call on you? If you are available,  
please call **Virginia Conger at 427-2626.**



## Join us for NaCoMe Church Family Camp—July 20-22



### FPC FAMILY CAMP 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

July 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>

NaCoMe Camp & Conference Center  
3232 Sulphur Creek Road, Pleasantville, TN 37033

NaCoMe is a wonderful time for fun, spiritual growth, and fellowship in God's natural setting. This is an awesome annual tradition for the ENTIRE Church family – there is something for everyone!

If you haven't been to NaCoMe, you have been missing a treat! NaCoMe has modern cabins with air conditioning, a COLD swimming hole, a creek for crawdad hunting, excellent food, and good fellowship with your Church family!

This year marks our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Family Camp at NaCoMe. ***Make memories and join the FPC tradition...***

#### **MAKE YOUR RESERVATION NOW!**

**July 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>** This year's theme is a **"A Family Tradition"**. Our guest speaker will be Rev. Missy Rose from First Presbyterian Church in Kennett

*This year we will have a plaque dedication for our FPC Church Tree that we planted last year, the Swimming Hole is larger with a new bigger dock and slide so we will have longer hours to swim & play and the Giant Swing is BACK!*

NaCoMe Family Camp Weekend is a great "church family" weekend, with good food, good fun and fellowship, and comfortable cabins in a beautiful setting. If you haven't tried it before, why not make this year the first of a new **Family Tradition**? Call the church office at 422-1591 or email [fpcvicki@eplus.net](mailto:fpcvicki@eplus.net) to make your reservation.



Check out last year's video at <https://www.fpcjacksontn.org/nacome/>



himself being  
the chief  
corner stone...  
Ephesians 2:20

## Cornerstone Group

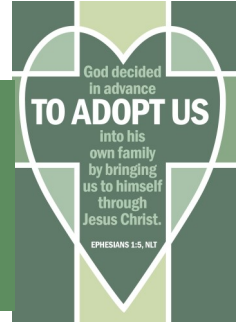
Our Cornerstone group held a very successful event in April discussing personal wills, living wills, and durable powers of attorney.

I hope that you have picked up the Memorial/Funeral Advance directive form by now from the church. If you have not, please contact our church office and pick one up. This information should be placed on file in the church office in your family file for staff use, and may be helpful to your family, when needed.



Summer Sunset Suppers will begin on August 1. We will serve supper as always and then have two of our favorites activities, a white Elephant bingo night and singing with Helen Redding. These two suppers will be followed by Rally Day on Sunday August 12. Wednesday night dinners will resume on August 15. Make your plans to join us!

Invite someone,  
maybe a friend or neighbor,  
to join you at FPC for Worship  
or for Summer Sunday School!



## Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary!

Birthday blessings to the following members who celebrate their special day this month!

06/01 Richard Swaim  
06/02 Katie Shaw  
06/03 Eden Abbott  
Sue Carruth  
Russell Jones  
Lynda Vince  
06/04 Mari Morgan  
06/06 Jerry Lucas  
06/08 Chesley Dennison  
06/09 Jim Petterson  
06/10 Karen Broughton  
06/11 Suzy Collins  
Sylvia Henson  
06/14 Marilynn Ames  
Catherine Carls  
Sean Justice  
06/15 Ruffin Craig

06/15 Deborah Hurt  
06/16 Jaimie Ide  
06/17 Allie Cowles  
06/18 Caleb Jones  
Margaret Ann Lucas  
06/19 Bill Duke  
06/21 Stephannie Williams  
06/22 Steve Spurlin  
06/23 Stephanie Isaacs  
Abby McNeal  
Kakky Tanner  
06/26 Lexie Poole  
06/27 Ken Stumpenhurst  
06/28 Jared Martin  
Chuck Thompson  
06/29 Jeb Campbell  
Carol Green

06/29 Charles Justice  
06/30 Harbert Alexander, Sr.



## Happy Anniversary!

06/05 Helen and Bob Redding  
06/06 Ceil and Ty Cowles  
06/09 Vivian and Kevin Pauley  
06/10 Kendra and Justin Smith  
06/17 Molly and Wesley Richardson  
06/18 Linsey and Jody Pickens  
06/21 Ashley and Andrew Powell  
06/22 Jenny and Ruffin Craig  
06/27 Lisa and Steve Spurlin  
06/28 Carrie and Russell Jones

Please let the church office know your birthday and anniversary! If your June birthday or anniversary is not listed, we don't have it on record in the church office. We don't wish to miss anyone and would appreciate you calling the office (422-1591).



# Prayer Concerns

## PRAYER PROGRAM

Each week we randomly select individuals or families for whom we encourage everyone to pray. During the coming weeks, please pray for:

June 3 ~ Jeremie, Hannah, Harrison, Hudson, and Anna-Katherine Smith; Ray and Kakky Tanner: Carole Stewart

June 10 ~ Mike and Lark Taylor and Ana; Bill and Julia Kipp; Margaret Spires

June 17 ~ Libby Smith; Chuck, Sharyn, Luke, Sam, Charlie and Amelia Thompson; Dorothy Prince

June 24 ~ Evelyn Taylor; Clarence and Norma Smith; Ken and Marge Stumpenhorst



### Thank YOU!

Again, Susan and I want to thank all of you for your prayers and support. I am stepping out a little at a time trying to regain my strength. My heart will never return to normal here on this world and I must deal with that, but this old soldier in the Lord is grateful for all of my church family.

Love, Tom Blackmon



### ASSISTED & EXTENDED CARE

#### Jackson Meadows

Bill Dellastatious, #233

#### Brookdale Jackson Oaks

Tillie Gilliam, #M2

Helen Johnson, #D65

Robert & Dolly Mathis, #C43

John Singleton, #F95

Betty Stewart, #M8

Judi Wilson, #E85

#### Regency Retirement Village

Martha Stockard, #129A

#### Elmcroft

Charles Huffman, #107

#### Northbrooke Nursing Home

Rosemary Kipp Monegue, #204

#### Bells Nursing and Rehab

Sue Carruth, #219

#### Morningside of Jackson

Dorothy Prince (Carol Whitnall's mother)

Jean Wilson (James Harris' grandmother)

Clairey Purinton

John and Susannah White

Margaret Suttle-Hospice Care

Tillie Gilliam—Hospice Care

Tom Blackmon

Dot Holt

Bill Sipes

Gina Fortner (Bill Sipes' sister)

Paula Mathews

Bill Hatch

Paula Smith (Gabi Cox's mother)

Susan Atwood

Tammy Buchanan-Anderson & family

Jimmy Melton

Lt. Cmdr. Clay Bridges

Brian Fowler (cancer)

Benny Houston

Dr. Daniel Musselman & family

Phillip Pickens (cancer)

Tom Williams

Doris Rhodes (cancer)

Margaret Falls and family

Billy Futrell

John Meriwether

Bobby Benson

Jim Marple

Chase Mobley

Emily Evans (cancer)

Richard and Liz Swaim

James Hargrove (Lori Howell's uncle)

Cancer patients on our hearts

St. John's Presbyterian Church, Houston

Mission Partners in Asia

**We are united in the Spirit when we pray for our brothers and Sisters in Christ in our Presbytery and around the world.**

**During the month of June please pray for:**

First Presbyterian, Malden, MO

Trinity Presbyterian, Martin, TN

Commissioners & Delegates to GA

First Presbyterian, McKenzie, TN

Balmoral Presbyterian, Memphis, TN

Prayer for Korean Peninsula

Ministers, Candidates, Inquirers, Elders and Deacons

Peace & Freedom



### THANK YOU!

Thanks for the picture and video from the church service. We had a great time. Please let the church

know how much we appreciate being asked to play. Hope to see you again!

-Steve Berger

**THANK YOU** so much for once again showing us such wonderful hospitality and letting us stay at 1st Pres on our way to and from Beaumont, TX. One of these days we hope to make it to a Sunday service!

God Bless,  
The John Knox  
Church Mission Team

**THANK YOU** for the lily plant and the messenger who delivered it. Visits by strangers in Assisted Living Homes are rare and always welcome. Thank you for visiting anytime you have 5 minutes to slip by. My plant had about 2 more blooms unfold and looks great. Keep up the good work—  
Love, Dorothy Prince

### PRAYER CONCERNS

Emily Evans—cancer

Mason West—head injury

Christie Kizer Burbank

Sylvia Henson

Robert Mathis-Transitional Care #A110

Asa McCarty & family

Molly Myracle Britt—cancer

Billy Donnell

Felicia Cobb—John Ross' sister

Arturo Palomino

Dr. Phil Norsworthy

Norma and Clarence Smith & son





## Congratulations Graduates!

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**Katie Dunnavant** graduated in December 2017 from Murray State University. She earned her B.S. in Exercise Science, Magna Cum Laude.

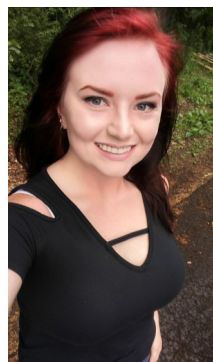
Katie was accepted to the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis. She will enter the Physical Therapy Doctorate program in August.



**Amelia Spurlin** graduated with Honors on May 12, 2018 from University School of Jackson. She will be attending the University of Tennessee-Knoxville in the Fall.



**Morgan Cowles** graduated from Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering. He has accepted a job with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in the Hydraulics division in Mobile, Alabama.



**Rebecca Hurt** graduated from Southeast Missouri State University with a BA in Theater and a minor in Mass Communications. She will be moving to Los Angeles this summer to pursue a career in TV and film.

## Playschool News

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We have wrapped up our school year, and have watched our students grow and learn. Some, as usual, have reached that magic age 5 when they graduate and move on to Kindergarten. Graduation is often a time when parents reflect on their children's time at Playschool. This year we have again chosen a note that we received to share with you.

*To my Playschool Angels!*

*I cannot even begin to express my gratitude for your constant never fading devotion to my kids. They both adore you all and it's because of you, your teachings, and your love that they are the way they are: God loving, confident, respectful, and kind. Playschool has not just been a place to merely drop the kids off for a few hours. It has been a safe, secure, and loving environment for my kids. When I feel just as comfortable dropping them off at Playschool as I do when I drop them off at my mother's...that's something special! Thank you for your patience, love, attention and teaching! You all have made my babies into little people, who are ready for the world!*

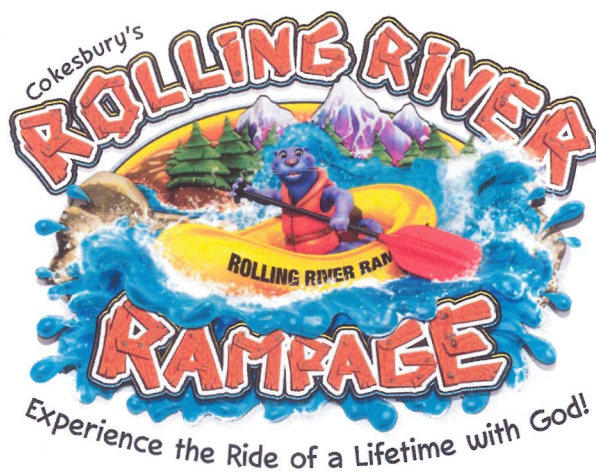
*We love You!!*

*Forever a Playschool Cutie Pie!*

*Johnna, Clay, Cooper and Reese Cunha*

## Vacation Bible School ~ June 11–14, 2018

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"When you pass through the waters,  
I will be with you." Isaiah 43:2

This year's theme is Rolling River Rampage! Children will enjoy interactive, energizing, Bible-based good times as they *Find Adventure on the River! Find Acceptance! Find Joy! And Find Peace in the River!* Children will participate in games, make crafts, learn new songs, strengthen friendships and create new ones!

### Vacation Bible School

At First Presbyterian Church, Jackson, TN

June 11-14, 2018 \* 6-8 pm

(A light snack will be provided)

Children ages 4 through incoming 5<sup>th</sup> grade

For more information, please email Laura Byrd at [fpclaura@eplus.net](mailto:fpclaura@eplus.net) or  
Libby Smith at [fpclibby@eplus.net](mailto:fpclibby@eplus.net)

**See Supply Needs List, page 3!**





## The Children's Corner



**Grow, Proclaim, Serve!**  
**Growing our Faith by Leaps and Bounds!**



Ms. Laura Ms. Ellen Ms. Libby

**Children Are  
A Gift From God!**



<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control.


Galatians 5:22-23a (NIV)

**PARENTS!**  
**SAVE THIS DATE!**

♦ **June 11-14—VBS,**  
**Monday thru Thursday!**  
**Rolling River Rampage!**  
(See page 12 for info!)



**SAVE THIS DATE!**  
**June 30**  
**Safari Park**




Two precious friends sharing the  
Fruits of the Spirit—Love and Joy!



Our precious "fruity" FPC kiddos !



# youth connection

## Youth News!



Molly Richardson  
Interim Youth Director

Youth Sunday  
May 20, 2018



youth  
group  
SCHEDULE

Important date  
to remember:

Montreat Youth Conference  
July 15-21

# FINANCIAL UPDATE – April 2018

	<u>Actual Year-to-date</u>	<u>Budget Year-to-date</u>	<u>Actual Last Yr to date</u>
2018 Pledges	\$275,844	\$ 205,984	\$ 230,292
Total Contributions	\$308,180	\$ 238,716	\$ 242,878
Total Income	\$325,570	\$ 286,542	\$ 260,572
Total Expenses	\$252,284	\$ 286,542	\$ 263,227
Net Income	\$ 73,286	\$ 0	(\$ 2,655)

**Pledges can now be paid using ACH bank drafts on a weekly or monthly basis. If you are interested, please contact Vicki Pope at 422-1591.**

For questions or more details on the financial report, contact Carol Sue Keathley (Finance Co-Chair), at 431-1262, Bill Sipes (Finance Co-Chair) at 668-7148, Russell Cook (Treasurer) at 694-1991, or Vicki Pope (Financial Secretary) at 422-1591.

## Session Highlights

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Jackson, Tennessee, met on Sunday, May 6, 2018, at 3:00 PM and conducted its usual business. The Session voted to:

- ♦ approve the minutes of the the stated Session meeting of April 8, 2018, a Called Meeting of April 29, 2018 and a Congregational Meeting of April 8, 2018;
- ♦ approve an ornamental sign to be placed near the west Sanctuary doors to direct worshipers to the front Sanctuary doors once worship has begun at 9:30 AM as the west Sanctuary doors will be locked;
- ♦ receive the Pentecost Offering on May 20, 2018 with the allocation of the 40% retained by the church to the children of Peru;
- ♦ cancel the July Session meeting;
- ♦ set a Congregational Meeting for June 10, 2018, immediately following worship for the purpose of electing the Nominating Committee tasked with providing a new slate of Elders to serve in the upcoming class serving on the Session beginning in January of 2019;
- ♦ remove Kathleen Huneycutt from the membership roll of First Presbyterian Church at her request.

*All members of the Session encourage questions or comments at any time.*

**NEXT SESSION MEETING  
June 10 @ 5 PM**

## WHEN MAKING PURCHASES FOR THE CHURCH:

Since FPC has a tax-exempt status, and we have a sales tax exemption number, all persons making purchases for the church should use the tax form and number when making purchases.

As part of our latest audit report, we are not to reimburse anyone for sales tax as part of a receipt/request for payment. You may get a Tax Exempt form upon request from Vicki Pope to use when buying items for the church, which should be provided to the retailer at point of sale.

***The church will no longer reimburse for sales tax paid.***



## THANK YOU!

Service committee would like to **THANK** everyone for all the hard work put in on the RIFA garden! It was a wondrous day of coming together for God & feeding his people.

Now we need to continue to weed & water the garden (& in the fall we will harvest). Please consider signing up (see Fellowship Hall) for just one day in the summer to help with the weeding & feeding. A group goes on Wed. mornings- contact Barbara Fowler for those details or grab a partner to go another time (contact Stephannie Williams for those details at 225-0838).

Next committee meeting: August 6 @ 6 PM!







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for people to encounter the life changing  
presence of Christ through:  
preaching, the study of scripture,  
engagement in worship, faithful stewardship  
and service to others  
in the church and community.

*If you have an article for the newsletter, please  
send it to Nelda Rhodes, Church Secretary at:  
[fpcnelda@eplus.net](mailto:fpcnelda@eplus.net). Articles will be used as  
space permits and may be edited for length.  
**Deadline for submissions are the 18th of each  
month.***

In him you also  
are being built together  
into a dwelling place for  
God by the Spirit.



EPHESIANS 2:22, ESV

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