

Message from the Pastor

This month I want to use this space to share some suggestions about how you might help contribute to the overall health of the planet. My sermon this past week was about environmental stewardship, and the sermon really moved a lot of you to begin talking and sharing ideas. That's Great!! I'm excited too! I have already ordered some bamboo fiber cups to replace the Styrofoam cups we use in Sunday School! We have an awesome responsibility to care for the creation with which God has entrusted us, so if you can...

1. Plant a tree or donate a tree.
2. Join a local park, river or highway clean-up.
3. Use non-toxic cleaning products.
4. Replace inefficient incandescent light bulbs with efficient LEDs.
5. Carpool, ride your bike, use public transportation or drive an electric or hybrid car.
6. Stop using disposable plastics, especially single-use plastics like bottles, bags and straws.
7. Use cloth towels instead of paper towels.
8. Change your paper bills to online billing. You'll be saving trees and the fuel it takes to deliver your bills by truck.
9. Use reusable bottles for water, and reusable mugs for coffee.
10. Bring reusable bags when you shop.
11. Pack your lunch in a reusable bag.
12. Take a shorter shower and use a water-saving shower head.
13. Run your dishwasher only when it's full to save water and energy.
14. Turn off lights when you leave a room.



15. Take the stairs instead of the elevator to save energy ... (and get exercise!).
16. Purchase energy efficient appliances.
17. Take steps to make your home more energy efficient.



Scripture of the Month — Psalm 19:1 NRSV

*The heavens are telling the glory of God;
and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.*

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Special dates of interest:

- June 2: Rev. Ben Mathes
- June 2: Congregational Meeting
- Wednesdays in June @ 9 AM: RIFA Garden
- June 5,12, 19: Mission Team mtgs.
- June 9: Pentecost & Communion
- June 9: Pentecost Service @ Rhodes College in Memphis
- June 9: Session Meeting @ 5 PM
- June 9-15: Montreat Youth Conf.
- June 10-13: VBS @ 9 AM
- June 14: RIFA Garden @ 9 AM
- June 16: Father's Day/Trinity Sunday
- June 28: RIFA Garden @ 9 AM



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James Harris
Carol Sue Keathley
Justin Smith

Class of 2020

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David Greene
Russell Jones
Stacey McAdams
Kevin Pauley
Stephannie Williams

Class of 2021

Greg Abbott
Barry Broughton
Russell Cook
Debbie Hurt
Mary Jane McWherter
Patty Smith

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.

NaCoMe 2019—July 19—21



FPC FAMILY CAMP

61st ANNIVERSARY

July 19th – 20th – 21st

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!

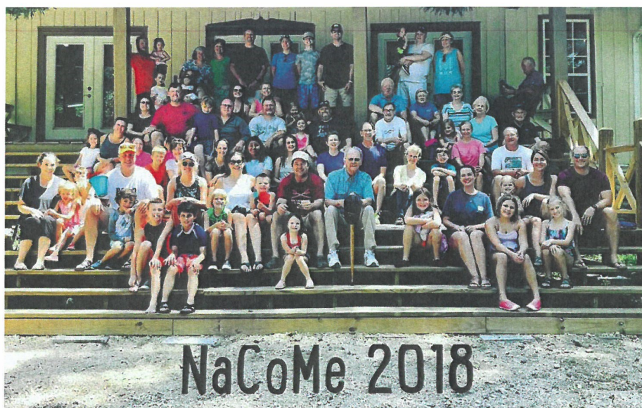
This year marks our 61st Anniversary of Family Camp at NaCoMe. *Make memories and join the FPC tradition...*

July 19th – 20th – 21st This year's theme is a "Identity: There's More Than What You See." Our guest speaker will be Rodney Kirkwood, Minister at Fullview Baptist Church in Bartlett, TN.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION NOW!

There are 3 ways to Register:

1. Go to the FPC Mobile App on your smart device and click on the NaCoMe Event.
2. Visit the FPC Website @ www.fpcjacksontn.org and click on the NaCoMe Registration link.
3. Call the church office at 731-422-1591.



Lectionary Readings for June 2019

June 2 ~ Acts 16:16-34; Psalm 97; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26

June 9 ~ Acts 2:1-21; Genesis 11:1-9; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17, 25-27

June 16 ~ Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Psalm 8; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

June 23 ~ 1 Kings 19:1-15a; Psalm 42 and 43; Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

June 30 ~ 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20; Galatians 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62

Wednesdays at First ~ taking a break!

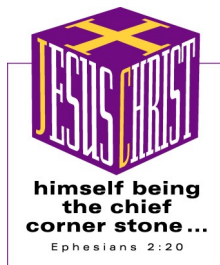


Taking a break for the summer!

Our normal schedule is Dinner at 5:00 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. 14th!)

Summer Sunset Suppers will return also, so plan to join us on July 24, July 31 and August 7.

Cornerstone Group News!



The Cornerstone Group is hosting **three Summer Sunset suppers on July 24, 31 and August 7.** Our first program on July 24 will be Cynthia Thomson instructing us about falls and how to prevent them. The program on July 31 will be Johnny White from Destiny church and the raised garden. He will tell us about healthy cleaning products that will not harm us or pollute the environment. The final program on August 7 will be Dr. Mark Harris sharing his experiences in the mission field in Peru and Egypt.



The menus will be posted on line and in the church newsletter at a later date. Please make reservations in the church office for the interesting programs. We hope that you will be able to join us for one or all of these suppers. We will run signup sheets in the bulletins when the menus have been decided.

In the fall we plan to go to the new Tennessee State museum as well as Shiloh national park. Watch upcoming bulletins and newsletters for details.

The Cornerstone group welcomes everyone of every age and interest. If you have any ideas or suggestions, please contact the church office at 731-422-1591 or Nora Alexander, 731-424-2380



Summer Sunday School

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ Something for all ages! Calling ALL Adults!
There are two adult options for Summer Sunday School.

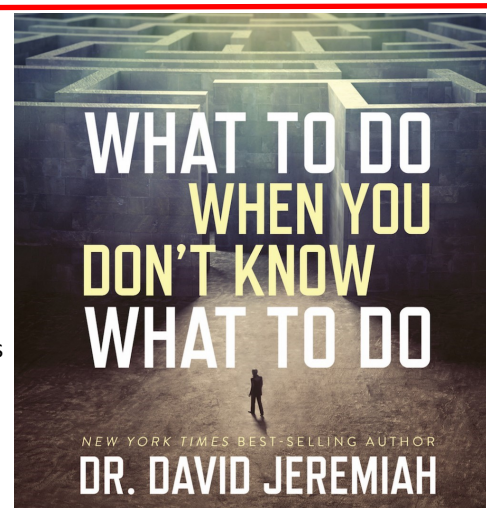
Join us for a new Sunday School class for the summer beginning **Sunday, June 9th.** It will be led by David Greene, and will meet in the Library.

"What To Do When You Don't Know What to Do" by Dr. David Jeremiah
Renowned Bible teacher Dr. David Jeremiah walks you through the Book of James to glean God's wisdom on issues such as finances, faith, and decision making. What does it look like to consider God in all of your plans, depend on God rather than wealth, and put prayer above your personal efforts? Learn how to receive God's supernatural strength to meet the challenges you face. As James learned, the road of spiritual wisdom always leads to joy.

SWAIM BIBLE CLASS ~ Study of Hebrews

The Swaim Bible Class has begun a study of the book of Hebrews, led by Dr. Mark Harris. This class meets in the Swaim Classroom and will meet all summer. It's not too late to join us! Everyone is welcome!

YOUTH AND CHILDREN will meet for Summer Sunday School too!





PW of First Presbyterian

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

NO CT MEETING until August!
NO Circle meetings until September.

TO ALL LADIES!! To all ladies of the church who would like to participate in a Circle/Bible Study, please contact Vivian Pauley at 506-5545 or Kathy House 423-1065. *All are welcome!*

PW Birthday Offering: If you were unable to attend the PW Bring A Dish, you still have the opportunity to contribute to the PW Birthday Offering. This offering began in 1922 and has enabled a long succession of mission projects both overseas and in the United States. If you would like to contribute, you may send your check to *Presbyterian Women*, c/o Susan Boutwell, 14 Windover Rd., Jackson, TN 38305. Please indicate "Birthday Offering" on the memo line.

Service Opportunities:

Helping Hands: Will meet in June

Threads of Love: Will NOT meet in June

RIFA Soup Kitchen —(Desserts)

June 1—Mary

July 1—Abigail

August 1—Baara

Collect Eyeglasses for Mark Harris to take overseas.

MEN'S TUESDAY COFFEE GROUP

**9:00 AM
Sun Parlor,
Memorial Hall**



Our Men's Coffee Group is GROWING! 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!

NO NEWSLETTER IN JULY

**Deadline for August edition
July 18, 2019**



June 9 - Pilgrimage to Pentecost @ 3 PM

The Presbytery's annual Pentecost event, Pilgrimage to Pentecost, is **Sunday, June 9, 3:00 p.m.** at Rhodes College Bryan Life Center. The day will feature...

- * Glorious Worship with Communion
- * The Rev. Dr. Byron Wade, pastor of Davie St. Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, N.C. and former General Assembly vice-moderator
- * Massed Choir of Youth and Adults
- * Service Project for Mid-South Food Bank
- * Offering to RIFA

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

June 2: Ben Mathes at FPC!
June 9: Pentecost Sunday & Pentecost Service in Memphis
June 10-13: Vacation Bible School
July 17-27: Peru Mission Trip
July 19-21: NaCoMe Church Family Camp
July 24, 31 & Aug 7: Summer Sunset Suppers
August 11: Rally Day
August 14: Wednesday Night Dinners Resume



SPECIAL OFFERINGS
PENTECOST

PENTECOST SUNDAY
June 9, 2019

On **Pentecost Sunday, June 9**, you will have the opportunity to give to the Pentecost Offering. Your upcoming bulletins will contain inserts about the Pentecost Offering and some of the ways it is used. An offering envelope will be provided in the bulletin on June 9. If you are unable to be at worship, you may make a check out to FPC, and write "Pentecost Offering" on the memo line anytime between now and June 9.

60% of the offering received is forwarded to the Presbyterian Mission Agency to support the Young Adult Volunteers program, Ministries with Youth Program, and education and advocacy for children at risk through the "Educate a Child: Transform the World" national initiative. **40%** of the offering received by this church is retained for our use in local ministries and mission work with youth and is determined by recommendations and vote by the Session. *This year the Session voted to direct our 40% to Peru Mission Children.*

Please pray about this offering opportunity and give as the Lord leads.

Mark Your Calendars!
PC(USA) Big Tent Event
August 1-3, 2019

Romans 12:2

**Theme: Called to a Movement
beyond Institution**



Membership Corner ~ Welcome New Members!

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



CONFIRMANDS 2019



On May 12, 2019 we recognized the youth who have been attending Confirmation Class for several months, and who were examined by the Session on Sunday evening, May 5, and Sunday morning, May 12. We received into the membership of First Presbyterian Church on May 12, 2019 the following:

Stella Crenshaw—Profession of Faith
Callum Donnell—Profession of Faith
Catey Beth Donnell—Profession of Faith
James Howell—Profession of Faith
Annika Jerge—Profession of Faith
Lara McCaslin—Profession of Faith and Baptism

Also pictured:

Ava Beller—Reaffirmation of Faith, retained her membership with Englewood Baptist Church

**Examine me, O LORD, and try me; Test my mind and my heart.
For Your lovingkindness is before my eyes,
And I have walked in Your truth.**

Psalms 26:2-3



Save the date!

Be included in the new
First Presbyterian Church directory!

Photography dates:
July 24 & 25, 2019
August 8 - 10, 2019



Lifetouch.



Janice Webster

*Joined by Reaffirmation of Faith
April 28, 2019*

487 Raines Springs Road
Jackson, TN 38301



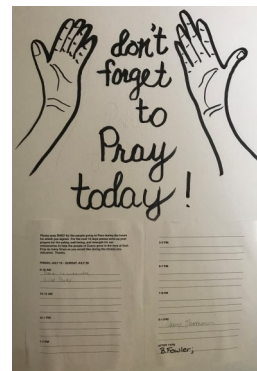
Mission Trip to Peru ~ July 17–27, 2019

Preparations are underway for the summer Mission Trip to Peru! Those who will be traveling and working on location in Peru are: Grace Abbott, Greg and Patti Abbott, Amber Barbour, James Harris, Mark Harris, Allison Ivey, Tanner Ivey, Robert and Susan Reeves, and John and Susannah White.

However, this mission is not only the mission of the traveling members, but the entire congregation. Our team needs your prayer support, and would like the entire trip covered by a Prayer Team. Have you signed up to pray for these folks and the work they will be doing while in Peru? A prayer chart is available in the Dining Hall on the easel. Please sign up for a time slot, or two!

Dates for team meetings have been set: Three Wednesday nights at 7:15 PM in the church library. Mark your calendars to attend on **June 5, June 12 and June 19**. These meetings are designed to prepare the missionaries spiritually, physically, and mentally for the mission ahead.

Our team will be traveling July 17-27 to Quillabamba in the high Amazon jungle. They will be working with women from five Presbyteries of the La Convencion Synod of the Iglesia Evangelica Peruana. They will be teaching basic first aid and basic CPR; sharing info about common diseases in the area and natural cures with our sister Urpi; and teaching gardening techniques. With Peru's economic rise, men are away more for work. Women are taking on these rolls in their absence. These women will be taught in Bible as well, but this will be done by Sister Jesusa Lima Chavez. Our team will encounter 75-80 women who will spread this knowledge back to their surrounding villages, which are quite remote. Knowing first aid and the other knowledge we teach them can mean life or death for someone in the Amazon. Our church donated \$2500 through the Service Committee to purchase first aid kits and gardening kits for all of the participating women.



Church Spring Work Day a Success!



Blessed with good weather and good volunteers, our Church Spring Work Day on Saturday, April 6 was a success!

We had about 20 people who attended, and we accomplished several projects that were scheduled.

Thank you to all who showed up and worked to keep our grounds looking so beautiful!



Playschool News



It may seem like all is quiet at Playschool in the summer. There is far less noise and bustle, but the action continues.

We have openings for this fall and are looking for families who might be interested in joining our Playschool family. If you have a friend, neighbor, playmate, family member or acquaintance who has a preschool age child we would love for you to have them get in touch with Jennifer. Anyone can email her at fpplayschool@yahoo.com to find out more.

To be eligible for Playschool this year a child must be 2 years old by August 15, 2019 and no older than 5 before June 15, 2019. We have openings on all days. We have been a part of this community for over 40 years and want to share the wonderful world of Playschool with new friends.



Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary!



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

06/01	Richard Swaim	06/15	Ruffin Craig	06/28	Jared Martin
06/02	Katherine Shaw		Deborah Hurt		Chuck Thompson
06/03	Eden Abbott	06/16	Jaimie Ide	06/29	Jeb Campbell
	Sue Carruth	06/17	Allie Cowles		Carol Green
	Russell Jones	06/18	Caleb Jones	06/30	Harbert Alexander
	Lynda Vince		Margaret Ann Lucas		
06/04	Marina Morgan	06/19	Bill Duke		
06/05	Noah Johnson	06/21	Sally Harlan	06/05	Helen and Bob Redding
06/06	Jerry Lucas		Stephannie Williams	06/06	Ceil and Ty Cowles
06/07	Stan Carnell	06/22	Steve Spurlin	06/09	Vivian and Kevin Pauley
06/08	Chesley Dennison	06/23	Stephanie Isaacs	06/10	Kendra and Justin Smith
06/09	Jim Petterson		Abby McNeal	06/17	Molly and Wesley Richardson
06/10	Karen Broughton		Kakky Tanner	06/18	Linsey and Jody Pickens
06/11	Suzy Collins	06/26	Lexie Poole	06/19	Nelda and Rick McCune
06/14	Marilynn Ames	06/27	Thomas McCaslin	06/21	Ashley and Andrew Powell
	Catherine Carls		Ken Stumpenhurst	06/22	Jenny and Ruffin Craig
				06/27	Lisa and Steve Spurlin
				06/28	Carrie and Russell Jones

Happy Anniversary!

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 2 ~ Jan, Julie and John David Jones; Ernie & Linda Wilson; Kevin, Vivian and Katie Pauley

June 9 ~ Will, Miranda, Lana, and Addie Harbin; Libby Smith; Louise, Rose & King Kolakowski

June 16 ~ Janice Webster; Richard and Elizabeth Swaim; Lyn Parliment and Charles Parliment

June 23 ~ Chesley, Jenny and Sophie Dennison; David and Lynda Vince; Eloise Phillips

June 30 ~ Tim, Jan, Hannah, Alex, and Laura Crossett; Evelyn Taylor;
Matt, Meredith, Lilly Kate, Abby and Sophie Varino

THE SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION is extended to **Tom Brimm and family upon the death of his mother, Mildred Brimm, on May 25, 2019; and to Wallace Potter and family upon the death of his sister, Joanna Faye Aytes Harville on May 22, 2019.**

ASSISTED & EXTENDED CARE

Jackson Meadows

Bill Dellastatious, #233

Brookdale Jackson Oaks

Helen Johnson, #D65

John Singleton, #F95

Betty Stewart, #M8

Dolly Mathis, #M32

Judi Wilson, #E85

Regency Retirement Village

Martha Stockard, #129A

Adamsville Healthcare and Rehab

Charles Huffman, #515 (hospice)

Elmcroft

Bob Elam, #215

Northbrooke

Rosemary Kipp Monegue, #204

Paula Mathews, #15B

Bells Nursing and Rehab

Sue Carruth, #209

Morningside of Jackson

Dorothy Prince (Carol Whitnall's mother)

PRAYER CONCERNS

Sally Harlan

Brenda Welling

Charles Huffman (hospice care)

Will Bodiford

Carolyn and Henry Hefley

Sam Adams (Alexander family)

Debbie Lee (Lori Howell family)

Paula Mathews & sister Wanda

Kay Engle Medlin (Judy Herron family)

Tory Boston

Anne Garrard

Porter Bunch

Judy Harber

Joey Campbell

Christen Reynolds & Jimmie Womble

Marilynn Ames

Patricia White

Bill King

Russ Truell

Pepper Bray

Marshall Fox

Jim Cahill

Erik Hoffman

Evelyn Taylor

Dwight Smith (Robbie Rodgers brother)

Myra Deal (Greg Abbott's cousin)

Lark & Mike Taylor

Linda Houston

Jerry Barnes

David & Eleanor Hooper

John and Susan Anderson

Barbara Day

Kathy Whitener

Billy Brimm and family

Hunter and Kelsi Gray

Izzie Green & family

Lisa Samarrippas (thyroid cancer)

Betsy Babb

Felicia Cobb—John Ross' sister

Clairey Purinton

John and Susannah White

Tom & Susan Blackmon

Phillip Pickens (cancer)

John Meriwether

Chase Mobley

Richard and Liz Swaim

James Hargrove (Lori Howell's uncle)

Cancer patients on our hearts

Mission Partners in Asia

Mission Partners in Peru

Disaster victims: fire, flood, hurricanes



We are united in the Spirit when we pray for our brothers & sisters in Christ in our Presbytery and around the world. This month please pray for:

Trinity Presbyterian Church, Martin, TN
First Presbyterian Church, McKenzie, TN
Commissioners and Delegates to 223rd GA
Balmoral Presbyterian Church, Memphis, TN
Bethel Presbyterian Church, Memphis, TN
Ministers, Candidates, Inquirers, Commissioned
Ruling Elders, and Deacons; Peace & Freedom



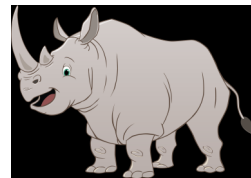
VBS 2019 ~ Life is Wild 🐾 God is Good!!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL @ FPC
JUNE 10-13, 2019
9:00 AM - NOON
\$5 PER CHILD
REGISTER ONLINE OR IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

This epic African adventure engages the whole herd. At Roar, kids will explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
PLEASE CONTACT LAURA BYRD OR LIBBY SMITH
FOR MORE INFORMATION.



New friends ~ Explore God's goodness
Fun games ~ Snacks
Celebrate a ferocious faith ~ Incredible music

4 year olds—rising 5th graders

PLEASE FILL OUT A REGISTRATION FORM
FOR EACH CHILD ATTENDING!

We need registration forms ASAP
so that we have enough t-shirts,
supplies, snacks & volunteers

Registration forms are available in your bulletin,
with extras in the Fellowship Hall

OR

You may register children online @

<https://roar-vacation-bible-school-2019-first-presbyterian-church.pushpayevents.com/>

You may register to be a VBS Volunteer @

<https://roar-vacation-bible-school-2019-volunteer-first-presbyterian.pushpayevents.com/>



Poem by Libby Smith
presented in honor of
Mrs. Lisa Spurlin,
during Time with the Children
in worship on
Sunday, May 19, 2019.
(see photo on page 13)

Thank you, Lisa Spurlin,
for everything you do,
to help us learn about God's love in
Rotation Sunday School.

For 10 years now you've organized
and planned the things we've done.
You've made Bible lessons exciting
and also very fun.

From Kindergarten to 5th grade,
we've traveled in God's Word,
through cooking, drama, art and more
so much we've seen and heard.

It takes a lot of volunteers
to keep this program going.
We appreciate the time they give
and help us as we're growing.

How blessed we are to have you,
and very thankful too,
because you care so much for us
and Rotation Sunday School.





Congratulations College Graduates!



JACKIE ISAACS

Jackie Isaacs graduated from Bellarmine University in Louisville on Saturday, May 11, 2019. She achieved a Bachelor of Arts Degree, with Honors, in Communications with a minor in Psychology. During her last semester, in addition to classes, Jackie was working part time interning at a Louisville Marketing firm. They have since hired her into a full time position. We are very proud of Jackie, and while she will be visiting Jackson some this summer, she will continue living in Louisville.



ALLIE COWLES

Allie Cowles graduated Summa Cum Laude from Mississippi State University on May 3, 2019, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Food Science, Nutrition and Health Promotion. She was accepted into the Emory Dietetic Internship Program at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta, after which she will become a Registered Dietitian.



MADELYN MCKISSACK

Madelyn McKissack graduated Magna Cum Laude from the University of Memphis on May 4, 2019, with a Bachelor's Degree in Organizational Leadership with Honors Thesis. She minored in English, Counseling and Child Education. Madelyn will start working toward her Master's Degree in August in School Counseling.



SAMANTHA MORGAN

Samantha Morgan graduated Summa Cum Laude from The University of Tennessee at Martin with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a major in Accounting on May 4, 2019. She will be working at Cowart, Reece, Sargent CPA's in Jackson and studying for the CPA Exam.



"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. "

Jeremiah 29:11 NIV



The Children's Corner



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

Children Are A Gift From God! ROTATION SUNDAY SCHOOL



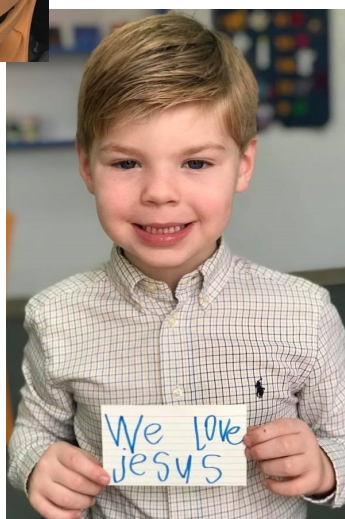
Ms. Laura Ms. Ellen Ms. Libby



CONGRATULATIONS LISA SPURLIN!



Lisa Spurlin has been asked and accepted to be a founding member of Ambassadors for Rotation.org. Ambassadors will promote the Rotation model in their community and serve as an advisor to the Rotation Board of Directors. This is a 2-year commitment. We thank you Lisa for all you do here at FPC, and especially for our Rotation Sunday School program.



Honoring Mrs. Lisa! (see page 11 for poem)

**** YOUTH CONNECTION WILL BE TAKING A BREAK FOR THE SUMMER.

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT MOLLY @ fpcmolly@eplus.net ****



Molly Richardson
Interim Youth Director



Presentation of Check

We have had a busy year and everyone is ready for the summer sun, but that won't stop us from having fun! Please keep us in your prayers as we travel to **Montreat June 9-14** and **NaCoMe July 19-21**.

Have you always wanted to volunteer with our youth program? Now is your chance!! We are looking for Sunday School teachers for the fall on a rotation schedule. Please contact Molly at fpcmolly@eplus.net.

Our youth group had the chance to personally deliver a **check for \$2,324.45** to **RIFA** from the money raised during February's **Souper Bowl of Caring**. While there, they also served the men, women and children at the Soup Kitchen. Putting God's Word into action!

Congratulations to all our new Confirmands! We are so proud of the commitment and hard work you have shown over the last 6 months.



Important dates
to remember:

June 9-15

Montreat Youth Conference

July 19-21

NaCoMe Family Camp



FINANCIAL UPDATE – April 2019

	<u>Actual Year-to-date</u>	<u>Budget Year-to-date</u>	<u>Actual Last Yr to date</u>
2019 Pledges	\$ 280,041	\$ 208,814	\$ 275,844
Total Contributions	\$ 299,025	\$ 241,448	\$ 308,180
Total Income	\$ 321,162	\$ 301,716	\$ 325,570
Total Expenses	\$ 279,931	\$ 301,716	\$ 252,284
Net Income	\$ 41,231	\$ 0	\$ 73,286

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

For questions or more details on the financial report, contact Carol Sue Keathley (Finance Chair), at 431-1262, Russell Cook (Treasurer) at 694-1991, or Machele Daniel-Hall (Financial Secretary) at 422-1591.

Session Highlights

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Jackson, Tennessee, met on Sunday, May 5, 2019, at 5:00 PM and conducted its normal business.

The Session voted to:

- * approve Stella Crenshaw, Callum Donnell, and James Howell for membership at First Presbyterian Church of Jackson, TN, by Profession of Faith; and approve Lara McCaslin by Profession of Faith and baptism;
- * approve the minutes from Stated meeting of April 14, 2019; a Called meeting of April 7, 2019; a Called meeting of April 14, 2019; and a Called meeting of April 28, 2019;
- * approve the external audit from Cowart, Reese and Sargent CPA;
- * approve the April 2019 Financial report;
- * schedule a Congregational Meeting on June 2, 2019, for the purpose of electing a Nominating Committee of the Congregation to select a slate of nominees for Elders Class of 2022;
- * allow Marlie Richardson to use the Gym for a cheerleading class on August 1st and 2nd from 9 am until 12 pm;
- * call a Session meeting at 9 am on May 12, 2019 to examine Ava Beller, Annika Jerge, and Catey Beth Donnell, and to approve the baptism of Lara McCaslin on May 12, 2019;
- * approve Elder James Harris to preach on Sunday, May 26, Memorial Day weekend.

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

**NEXT SESSION MEETING
June 9 @ 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 Machele 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.



HEARING ASSIST DEVICES AVAILABLE!

Do you have a need to hear the worship service better in the Sanctuary?

Hearing assist devices are available for your use. Please let Nelda Rhodes in the church office know of your need by email fpcnelda@eplus.net or call 422-1591.

We will mark a unit with your name, identified for your use, and place it in the basket on the usher table at the rear of the sanctuary.

Kevin Pauley or Ken Stumpenhorst can provide instruction for use, if needed.



JUNE 2, 2019

The Session has called a Congregational meeting for Sunday, June 2 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: Patty Smith (Chair), Greg Abbott, Chris Alexander, Lesa Barton, Vivian Pauley, Ted Showalter, Stephannie Williams



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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. Articles will be used as
space permits and may be edited for length.
**Deadline for submissions are the 18th of each
month.***

Service at RIFA Garden

The RIFA Garden needs continued help with watering, weeding & gathering the produce.
Please join us in the garden this summer **every Wednesday morning at 9 AM**,
and on the following **Fridays at 9 AM**:

June 14, June 28 and July 12, July 26.

All are welcome to help!

Please bring the kids for some fun, outdoor service.

