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Pastor's Letter



Dear Friends,

One of the great joys in recent weeks has been seeing new faces step up to lead in worship: offering prayers, sharing reflections, and guiding our time together with care and insight. It's a beautiful reminder that God speaks through many voices, and that the Spirit is always calling new people to share their gifts.

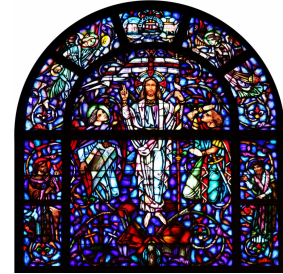
Thank you to all who have participated in *Ponderings on Passages*. Whether you led or simply listened along, your presence has mattered because worship truly is relational. These conversations continue to be thoughtful, engaging, and full of grace, and I hope you'll keep tuning in as we grow in faith together. This Sunday, we'll be pondering on the Parable of the Rich Fool. It'll be interesting to see what our worship leaders have been marinating on this week, and how God is using this lesson to teach us today.

And don't forget, this Sunday is a Communion Sunday! We'll celebrate the sacrament together, and there's always room at the table for you.

Grateful to be on the journey with you,

Carrie

Sunday Worship



English

- 11:00 AM Sanctuary, *Ponderings on the Passages*, Rev. Carrie Winebrenner with Joan Pattison and Randy Bolinger
- Watch livestream via [Website](#) and [YouTube](#)
- Public Access Channel 1 and Channel 25, Sun 4:30 PM & Mon 10:30 AM
- Public Access via [Digital Archive](#)

Korean

- 11:00 AM Chapel, Rev. Dr. Youngsoo An preaching
- Watch livestream via [Website](#), and [YouTube](#)

Bulletin

- The complete weekly bulletin may be found [here](#).
E-News submissions should be sent to [Jenny Conrad](#).
Bulletin submissions should be sent to [August Burger](#).

News & Events

Click the buttons below to read past editions of the e-news and to see a calendar listing of upcoming events!

[Weekly Announcements](#)

[Event Calendar](#)

Church in the Park 2025

Save the Date: Join us as we kick off our program year on August 17, with Church in the Park! Worship will once again be at [Conklin Pavilion at Shoaff Park](#). The



pavilion is covered and completely accessible with parking and sidewalks leading to the pavilion. We'll enjoy lunch after church, and then there's plenty to do at Shoaff Park, including Frisbee golf, a splash pad, and golfing! You won't want to miss this fun day!



Volunteer Ushers Needed

Sunday Worship: We're looking for friendly faces to serve as ushers during worship services! Ushers help welcome guests, distribute bulletins, and assist with seating and are a vital part of creating a warm and inviting experience for all.

If you're available and willing to help, please contact Scott McMeen at 260-417-4715 or srmcmeen@gmail.com. Thank you for serving!

Centennial Fund

FPC Foundation Centennial Fund: The Foundation was established on May 10, 1925, and this year marks its 100th anniversary! Its mission is to support religious, educational, and charitable efforts that benefit both current and future members of this Church, their families, and their communities. In pursuit of these goals, the Foundation is dedicated to advancing the cause of Christianity in Fort Wayne and the surrounding area.



Every member of First Presbyterian Church is also a member of the First Presbyterian Church Foundation. So if First Presbyterian is your church, you can truly consider this Foundation your own.

The Foundation Board is excited to launch a new Centennial Fund as we look ahead to the next 100 years. Established in honor of the First Presbyterian Foundation, Inc.'s 100th birthday, this special fund invites individuals to commemorate the milestone with a gift of \$100. You may give online by clicking the button below, or by cash/check at the church office.

Join us in celebrating our past and investing in our future!

Centennial Fund

Adult Fellowship



Wired Word: Looking for a place to connect current events with your faith? Wired Word dives into trending topics, while exploring how Scripture speaks to the issues shaping our world today. Each week is a fresh, stand-alone topic, so you can jump in anytime! Come join the conversation on Sundays at 10:00 am!

North Dinner Group: Be sure to join the North Dinner Group on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:30 pm, location is Don Hall's Factory. Please RSVP to Sondra Mergenthal at 260-437-9892 or by email at lisoninc@aol.com. We look forward to seeing you!

South Dinner Group: Please join the South Dinner Group for dinner at Hall's Tavern at Coventry (5747 Coventry Lane) on Monday, August 11, 2025, at 5:30 pm. We look forward to fellowship with you!

Prayer List

- Rev. Dr. Annie Epling & Family
- Family of Najla Jarjour
- Jim & Sondra Mergenthal
- Dana & Les Gurney
- Virginia Coats
- Bill Fish
- Bob & Kathy Beatty

If you are in need of prayer or an encouraging word, [let us know!](#)

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