



August 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Morning Devotions	3	4 <i>Memorial Service for Donnie and Eleanor Kensinger 2:00pm, (Visitation- 1:00) Karen DeHaan</i>	5	6
7 Communion Congregational Meeting <i>Bevan Eckman</i>	8	9 Morning Devotions Stewardship Meeting 6:30pm via Zoom	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 Morning Devotions Session-6:30pm	17	18	19	20
21	22 <i>Kathy Zimmerman</i>	23 Morning Devotions	24	25	26	27
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SESSION STREAM

The next Session meeting was scheduled for August 16th at 6:30pm. Ending our meeting on a fun note, the church picnic was scheduled for August 28th at the Dodson cabin on Wolf Creek! Hope to see all of you there!! Until then, stay safe and at peace!

Becky Allen---Clerk of Session

Upcoming Events

Our annual church picnic will be held Sunday afternoon, August 28th, at the Dodson Cabin. More information will be coming soon. Be sure to mark your calendars for some wonderful fellowship, delicious food, and an all-around good time!

Important Announcement

There will be a congregational meeting on August 7th immediately following the Sunday morning worship service. The purpose of this meeting is to elect the Nominating Committee for the church. The Nominating Committee is responsible for asking people to serve as Elders and very soon will be selecting a committee to search for and nominate a new pastor for First Presbyterian. Nominations will be taken from the floor in addition to the people with whom the Session has already spoken. If you would like to serve, please volunteer with a Session member or if you have anyone in mind whom you feel would be an asset to this committee, please confirm with that person their willingness to serve before you nominate them on August 7th. A ZOOM link will be available for the meeting for those who cannot attend in person. Thank you all so much for your prayers and support as we strive to grow our church and each other in Christ.

Peace,

Rebecca Allen, Clerk of Session

The Session met on Tuesday, July 19th at 6:00pm. Our newly elected Elders were invited to this meeting to “get their feet wet” and to allow them to be familiar with some of the items that are currently being addressed for our church. Training for the new Elders is in the works and we hope to have them installed for active service soon!

Becky Allen is preparing the Session book for the annual review by Presbytery which will be happening in August and September.

The food service permit from the Mercer County Health Department has been renewed so we may be allowed to have dinner in the fellowship hall when the need arises.

Permission to use the church for a memorial service for Donnie and Eleanor Kensinger was obtained along with approval for WD Hasty to come and perform that service on August 4th at 2:00pm.

The date was set for a patriotic concert to be held in the church sanctuary on September 11th. Harold Brown will be choosing music and inviting special guests, both singers and instrumentalists, to join our choir in presenting selections to celebrate all that is wonderful about America!

Renovations to the third floor are not quite completed but the contractor is looking for someone to do the tile work for the shower. Our third floor has already been utilized by a visiting mission group in June and the improvements to date helped make their stay more convenient. Fred Dodson reported that the repair work to the outside of the church building is nearly done and that the contractors doing the painting and tuck pointing are going above and beyond what was expected of them to maintain the safety and beauty of our church!

Cathy Dodson reports that our Blessing Box is being used and stocked regularly.

Eric Foster and Charley Dodson are still working on a list of equipment to be purchased to enhance our broadcast capabilities.

Our most pressing issue at this time is electing a Nominating Committee who, in turn, will select a committee to begin the search for a new pastor. We scheduled a congregational meeting for August 7th immediately following the Sunday worship service to elect the Nominating Committee and a bulletin insert was prepared to notify members of this meeting and to urge them to think of someone to nominate for this committee or to volunteer if they themselves feel led to serve.

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