First Press Weekly Update

April 27, 2025



PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK – Betsy Boyd; Arielle Sprinkle, Langley Brents and Gillian Brents; Joyce Brown; and Paul, Debra and Megan Smith and Troy Aigular-Smith.



The Five Cents-A-Meal offering will be received today. Donations may be dropped in the basket by the door as you leave the Chapel service, and in the basket on the altar steps during the "Hymn of Sending" for the Sanctuary service. The Washington Elementary "Patriot Edge" will receive 50% of today's Five-Cents-A-Meal collection.

Youth Group This Afternoon

4pm-5pm ~ All youth meet downstairs in the Old Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday Night Supper

April 30 ~ 5:30 p.m. ~ Fellowship Center

Mexican fajitas bar, Mexican rice, black beans and dessert (Worship Committee Serving)

The cost for dinner is \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children under 10, with a family maximum of \$25.00. Reservations must be received by noon on Tuesday. To make reservations, fill out the pew pad on Sunday mornings, call the church office at (423) - 245-0104 or register online: First Presbyterian Church-Kingsport (www.firstpreskingsport.org). (When booking your reservations, please note that a family = parent(s) and dependent children 18 years of age and under.)

Get Your Tickets for Storytelling on May 1

We have an opportunity to see storyteller and humorist Bill Lepp at the International Storytelling Center in Jonesborough on **Thursday, May 1** at 2:00 p.m. Reservations need to be made quickly (please contact Barbara Foust at 423-306-6514). Cost is \$20 and is due when you make your reservations. We will be taking the church bus. <u>Please be on the bus by 12:45</u>.

Lemonade on the Lawn This Summer

Thanks to Claudia Mihovk for coordinating these opportunities for members. The first one will be held after both church services **May 11 and June 15** after the 10:00 a.m. church service. This will be a wonderful time to socialize and catch up with friends.

Summer Worship

A <u>combined summer worship</u> service at 10:00 a.m. will begin **Sunday**, **May 18** and conclude **Sunday**, **July 27**. Our regular schedule will resume Sunday, August 3.

Birthdays This Week

April 29: Brandy King, Braden Pendleton

April 30: Albert Tatchi May 1: Ben Harris

May 4: Chuck Mooney, Clayton Walker

New in the History Room

A new exhibit in the History Room follows the history of First Pres' association with Habitat for Humanity. As you know we finished our most recent build – Matt's Build. Our history goes back to 1985 when our youth went on a mission trip. Two women involved in the beginning of Habitat in Kingsport were connected to our church. We have been involved in 22 builds since 1989. Habitat counts full builds – we have done 20 full builds and 2 rehabs. Come by the History Room to learn more about our history with this great organization

FPC Prayer Chain

For those of you who are unaware, FPC has a prayer chain comprised of members who will pray for any prayer requests you have. You can also ask that they pray for an "unspoken request." You can be sure that your requests will be kept confidential. Madelyn Baggett leads this loving ministry. Please contact her at 423.288.3972 if you have a prayer request, or if you'd like to join with other Prayer Chain members that include: Helen Baylor, Laura Drayne, Donna Marchion, Claudia Mihovk, Emily Pridemore and Cheryl Rice. Thanks to these ladies for their service to our members.





Clothes Closet

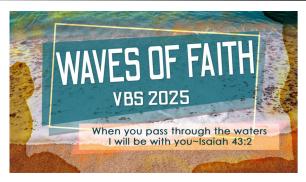
On Monday morning, weekly clothing donations are sorted and arranged by size. On Tuesday morning, the clothes closet is open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to noon, where volunteers assist with the distribution of clothing. To volunteer, please contact Don Thompson.

Grab & Go Breakfast Ministry

From the FPC Fellowship Center kitchen to the breezeway, from 40 to 70 bags of food are distributed each Saturday and Sunday to our neighbors who need something to eat and drink and benefit from someone expressing to them kind words and actions. If you would like to help distribute these food items from set-up beginning at 6:45 a.m. and assist with breakdown and light clean up to 8:15ish, please contact Sarah Good by text at 423-967-3148 or call Becca Wright at 963 -9617.

Waverly Road Food Pantry

For April please bring a **can of fruit** for the Waverly Road Pantry. Baskets are located near the Chapel door and in front of the stained glass near the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings or you may leave them in the big white bin in the coat closet across from the restrooms at any time. Your donations mean so much to those who don't have enough to eat. Thank you!



VBS 2025: Waves of Faith June 16th-19th

June 16th-19th 9am-12pm

Opening and closing programs will be in the <u>Fellowship Center</u> Registration link will be sent out in May.

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