

First Press Weekly Update

May 11, 2025



Prayer List

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY - The Congregation extends Christian Sympathy to the family of **Lewis “Lew” J. Huettel** upon his death on May 6, 2025, in Kingsport, TN.

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK – Jacqueline Buckles; Ellen Sims; Linda Buckles and Mike and Donna Shelton.

Last Wednesday Night Supper of the Season

May 14 ~ 5:30 p.m. ~ Fellowship Center

Braeden’s BBQ: sandwiches, baked beans, coleslaw and dessert
(Administration 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 \(www.firstpreskingsport.org\)](http://www.firstpreskingsport.org). (When booking your reservations, please note that a family = parent(s) and dependent children 18 years of age and under.)

Lemonade on the Lawn

The first one will be held after the 8:30 a.m. service on **May 11** in the hallway outside of the chapel and after the 11:00 a.m. service outside under the portico. Home-baked cookies will be served with the lemonade. The second one will be held on **June 15** after the 10:00 a.m. service outside under the portico. This will be a wonderful time to socialize and catch up with friends.

Summer Worship Coming Soon

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

Combined Worship & Potluck Lunch

A potluck lunch will be held after the 10:00 a.m. service on **May 18** in the Fellowship Center. Remember to bring anything of your choosing, except meat, to the Fellowship Center kitchen as early as 9:30 a.m. You’ll need to indicate your intentions of attending the lunch by the Tuesday prior to the date so the CF&N Committee will provide enough chicken fingers. You may call or e-mail Vickie at the church office with your reservation. We’re looking forward to having a large crowd for this time of great home-cooked food as well as time for fellowship with each other! “Amen, Let’s Eat!”

Birthdays This Week

May 13: Larry Maston

May 14: Christine Baugh, Randell Drayne

May 15: Sally Crawford, Frances Ussery

May 17: Jennifer Walker

May 18: Leslie Pope, John Bovender, Grayson Mott, Valerie Joh

VBS 2025: Waves of Faith

June 16-19

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Opening and closing programs will be in the Fellowship Center
Registration link will be sent out soon.



Accounting for Investment Advisor Checks to FPC

Please ask your investment advisor to specify on the attachment to your check who the church member is and where the money goes. For example, to pledge, to Endowment, to boiler repair, etc. This will be helpful to bookkeeping and help ensure your check gets credited to the appropriate account.



Breakfast Bags

A new sign up sheet for summer (May-August) Breakfast Bag volunteers is available! If you would like to receive the spreadsheet to sign up, please reach out to Sarah Good (sar4680@gmail.com). Also, our toiletry kits have been much appreciated--during the warmer months, please consider making a donation of travel-size/small toiletry items such as shampoo, conditioner, body wash, toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant, lotion, etc. New or gently used washcloths are also needed. We will assemble the bags for distribution. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ to our neighbors!

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.

Salvation Army

First Presbyterian has a long history of serving a Sunday meal each month at the Salvation Army. We currently serve a meal on the second Sunday. Volunteers are needed from 11:30 am-1:15 pm. Please contact Catherine Tucker if you'd like to help. 423-782-7782 or tuckersbigblue@gmail.com

Waverly Road Food Pantry

For May please bring a **can of vegetables** 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!

Second Harvest Work Day in June

First Presbyterian Church volunteers will be working at Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast Tennessee on **Wednesday, May 21**. Please join us if you can! Call or text Bob Stoots at (423-782-6280) to sign up and indicate your time preference: morning (9:00-11:00 a.m.), afternoon (1:00-3:00 p.m.) or both!

Furniture Needed at Matt's Habitat House

Once Matt's Habitat House is completed, furniture will be needed, especially a bed and mattress for Kyra and Kaylee. Contact Gary Tucker and he will coordinate with the future homeowner. 423-378-5419. Thank you!

Thanks to FPC Habitat Volunteers and Food Providers

God provides! Thanks to Jim Amstutz also a "Habitat Regular," Aleasha Stanley, Gary Hallen, Claudia Mihovk, Larry Maston, Richard Meyer, Allen and Becca Wright, Mark and Grace Ward, and Catherine Tucker. Thanks for food to keep us going from Dan and Dee Dee Dietrich, Carolyn Doerfert, Jane Scott and Mary Ruth.

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