

Matt's Habitat House Dedication

Matt's Habitat House dedication was held Saturday, June 21. Judy Grover painted the mural. Russ Pearson and youth at First Presbyterian donated the wall mirror. Thanks to several FPC volunteer workers and food providers.



Carolyn McPherson, interim organist, earns recognition in Kingsport City Schools' Hall of Fame

Dr. Carolyn McPherson has graciously served as our interim organist since March 2025. We recently learned she will be inducted into the Kingsport City Schools' Hall of Fame in July 2025. Established in 2015, the Hall of Fame honors and recognizes employees who have made significant contributions to KCS and its students. The honor serves as the key-stone employee award celebrating the district's history of excellence.



Congratulations Carolyn! We appreciate your musical leadership to the congregation of First Presbyterian Church, and we are delighted to hear of this special honor for your service to Kingsport City Schools!

Outings for the Summer and Fall

For those who would enjoy a group outing, I am considering the following:



1) **Bright's Zoo, Wednesday, July 2.** It is a 38-minute ride from Kingsport, and is open through August, Monday - Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. The price is \$19.95 plus tax or we can get a group rate depending on the size of our group. All walkways are concrete so you can easily use a cane or walker. They have a train ride through the area which costs \$5.00 per person. Meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. Invite a friend!

(2) There are several people at the **Storytelling Center** that I think we would enjoy, including:

- Andy Offutt Irwin - August 26-30
- Donald Davis - September 29 - October 2.

(3) **Barter Theatre**

- *Murder for 2* - Music, mayhem and murder - September 5-November 2
- *The Innkeeper's Wife* - November 22-December 28.

(4) **The Kitchen at Grace Meadows**

The meal is served family style and costs \$21.95. It would be an early dinner as they are open Wednesday-Friday, 4:00-8:00 p.m. I have been told the food is very good.

Please let me know if you are interested in any of these events as soon as possible so I can make plans. If you have other suggestions, please let me know. (The bus can carry 15.)

Barbara Foust

Fall Young Adult Bible Study

Do you consider yourself a "young adult"? Then you are invited to join in a Fall Bible Study! We will gather at homes, restaurants, and at church to think about deep questions of our faith using the Bible and the book "Velvet Elvis" by Rob Bell to guide our discussions. Books will be provided for participants. More details to come, but if you have questions or you are just excited to join let Russ know.