



First Presbyterian  
Church on the Square  
**NOVEMBER 2023 GRAPEVINE**

November 1st, 2023

Dear FPC Members & Friends,

I'd like to highlight just a few of many ways that your Session continues to help our Church Family get ready for the next season of ministry with a new installed Pastor. If you would like more information about any of these highlights, or other Session items, please contact me or Clerk of Session Cindy Witt.

·The Session is asking all Members to update their contact information on FPC's Online Church Directory. Our "Instant Church Directory" software is password protected and very easy to use on your mobile phone, tablet, or computer. It will be very helpful for the next Pastor to have access by mobile phone or computer to the pictures and contact information of FPC Members. (You get to choose what picture you use, and it's easy to upload!) Please note: In order to honor the privacy of all FPC Members, during the month of November we will collect written permission (through bulletin inserts and a USPS mailing) to include your pictures and contact information in FPC's online Church Directory. If you do not wish to be included in the online directory, please contact Margaret in the Church Office at (256) 232-0122 or [fpcathens@fpcathens.org](mailto:fpcathens@fpcathens.org) (Also, please contact Margaret if you need help using or updating your online directory information)

· Three Elder Continuing Education Meetings will take place on November 1, 8, and 15 from 5pm-6:15pm by Zoom. All Members of Session and Elders-Elect are invited to participate. The meetings will focus on the responsibilities and opportunities Elders have as they lead FPC's exciting new chapter of ministry as the "Church On The Square."

·After careful discussion, the Session has approved the use of security cameras inside the entrances of some FPC buildings. The cameras are inexpensive but adequate to meet FPC security needs. Session took this action because of increasing concerns to maintain the safety of our Members, Staff, and FPC Friends.

·In 2024, FPC will continue the annual tradition of hosting worship services and meals during each day of Holy Week. All Committees will be invited to help plan and host these Holy Week activities as part of FPC's ongoing outreach to the Athens community.

·The Session and Christian Education Committee are planning to introduce a new Mid-Week Program for our growing number of Elementary School Children. A beginning, kick-off event for children and their parents is being planned for December 2023. We will update you when the details are finalized.

Susan and I are looking forward to sharing a joyful Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas Season with you All!

With Love & Prayers,  
Pastor Karl

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

- All submissions for Grapevine and the monthly calendar should be sent by email (fpcathens@fpcathens.org) or by phone (256-232-0122) by the 20th of the month.
- Directories are now available in the church office!
- Office hours are Monday - Thursday from 9am - 1pm.



**PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMEN**

**Mark you Calendar  
November 7 @ 1:00pm  
In Rogers Center  
Happy PM Circle  
All Women are invited.**

**Hostesses: Karan Baker**

**Program presented by  
Randi Harbin**

**Devotional by Charlotte Lyle**

**Thank Offering**

**Our Congregation will celebrate All Saints Sunday on  
November 5, 2023. We will remember and give thanks  
for loved ones who have joined the Church Triumphant  
during the last year.**

**John Lynn**

**Martha Easter**

**Pat Bacon**

**Winston Spencer**

**Deane Steele Jr.**

**Al Steinhauer**

**Morgan Johnson, father of Michelle Wilson**

**Jim Kennedy, brother of Charlotte Lyle**

**Robert Foshee, uncle of Emily Clem**

**Mark Copeland, brother in law of Carol Copeland**

**Jackie Gentry, sister of Doug Harbin**

**Marlys Kohlhase, mother of Deb Kohlhase**

**Thelma Schudel, cousin of Joyce Counter**

# FALL BLESSINGS POTLUCK PACKING FOR FULL TUMMY'S





# FALL FESTIVAL



# PRAYER REQUESTS

## CHURCH FAMILY

Doris Welch (Home)  
Dean Steele  
Susie Fogg (Home)  
Sharon Massey  
Rene Brown (Traditions)  
Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health)  
Debbi O'Neill (Healing)

Bonnie Chambers (Home)  
Suzanne Weeks (Healing)  
Stephen Toney (Home)  
Ruth Martin (Healing)  
Jac Catlett  
Doug Booth (Health)  
Diane Lynn (Health)

## THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Brandon Noel - Army  
Adam Naves - Marines  
Michael Ress - USAF -AZ  
Jay Tulley- Middle East  
Kevin O'Neill-Army Res.-Poland  
Sean Miller - Army  
Damien Williams - Army  
Joshua Hargrove - Deployed  
Justin Ruf- Army Air Guard

## FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Bob Defour (Doyle & Suzanne Weeks son-in-law)  
Brent Harris (Friend of Chris Hilgeman)  
Sue Guyer (Health & Healing, Bonny Noel's sister)  
Gerry & Denzil Smith (Healing) cousin of Jan Ruth)  
Alex Noel (Nephew of John & Bonny Noel)  
John Townsend (Health, Doug Harbin's Brother in Law)  
Bill Grisham (Health, Pam Gregg's dad)  
Hazel Ruf (Mason Ruf's mother, home)  
Gary Kilgo (Health, Kay Baugher & Carol Quillen's family member)  
Macie Garrett (Healing, Christy Arnett's Niece)  
Karen Ferguson (Potter's Hand)  
Sherry Thompson (Healing, sister of Christy Arnett)  
Keith Clem (Healing, cousin of Chris Paysinger)  
Johnathon Garrett, (Healing, great nephew of Christy Arnett)  
Amy and John May (Healing, wife of Jan Ruth's grandson)  
Jim May (Healing, son of Jane Ruth)  
Amy Cotten (Potter's Hand)  
John Cotten (Healing, Potter's Hand)  
Telula Thornton (Healing and Comfort, mother of Karan Baker)  
Maggie Ruth Naves (Healing, great granddaughter of Hazel White)  
Finley McAllister (Healing, sibling of Jennifer Quillen's student)  
Kate Proffitt (mother) Karson Proffitt (baby) (health and healing,  
great grandchild of Karla Barnes and great niece of Gayle Cottles)  
The Tilley Family (loss of home and loved one)  
Elaine Harris (Healing, friend of Chris Hilgeman)  
Matthew Carpenter (Prayers, friend of London, Kay and Robert  
Baugher)

# November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 COMMUNION ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 FELLOWSHIP 10AM WORSHIP	6	7 PW Circle Rogers Center 1:00 PM	8 9:00-1:00 PM The Potters Hand Pottery Studio	9	10 OFFICE CLOSED	11
12 9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 FELLOWSHIP 10AM WORSHIP	13	14 Mission Shower Day Stated Session Meeting 6:00 pm Revival	15 9:00-1:00 PM The Potters Hand Pottery Studio	16	17 OFFICE CLOSED	18
19 9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 FELLOWSHIP 10AM WORSHIP	20	21	22	23	24 OFFICE CLOSED	25
26 CHRIST THE KING 9AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 FELLOWSHIP	27	28	29 9:00-1:00 PM The Potters Hand Pottery Studio	30		



1st Kay Barnes

2nd Tom Ress

6th Diann Lynn

11th Fran Gossett

15th Tim McNeil

19th Janet Poole