

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



FALL/WINTER  
2015-2016

## GREETINGS FROM REV. JEFF LEHN

*Dear Friends,*



No one can buy more time. Every one of us gets 24 hours a day – from the youngest to the oldest, the greatest to the least, the busiest to the laziest. And I’m told it only goes faster the older you get. Dr Seuss is right: “My goodness how the time has flown. How did it get so late so soon?”

Growing in the ways of Christian discipleship takes time. There is no way around it. And yet it’s a transformational investment that pays off one hundredfold. Not because your life will be easier, but because it will be deeper, more joyful, more generous, more compassionate – in a word, more Christlike.

It’s what we’re all about here at First Pres: transforming lives through Christ’s love. It starts with you and me. It spreads out to our neighbors, our friends and our community. The journey is lifelong. And we can only do it faithfully together.

This fall in worship we’ll be engaging in a six-week sermon series on the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7). St. Augustine called it the “perfect standard of the Christian life.” From it we get the Beatitudes, the Lord’s Prayer and the Golden Rule. Jesus was really on a roll that day. We’re calling the series, which will run from September 13 until October 18, “High Expectations: The Way of Discipleship.” It will be time well spent and full of transformation.

In this Get Connected booklet you’re going to find a large array of opportunities for transformation. How is God nudging you to spend your 24 hours a day a bit differently this fall? I encourage you to pray about it and then act. I’ll be doing the same.

*-Jeff*

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GREETINGS FROM REV. DR.  
YOUNGSOO AN (*English Version*)



Once upon a time, two hedgehogs in the woods fell in love. And one day, they wanted to dance together to show the affection for one another. But it was not successful because they kept on hurting each other with their sharp spines. The female hedgehog thinks to herself, “Why is he hurting me? Does he not know how much I love him?” The male hedgehog thinks to himself, “Why is SHE hurting me? I’m just trying to dance!!” Instead of trying to find the cause of the problem together, they started blaming each other and never got to dance together.

What could have led to a successful dance between those two hedgehogs? In order to dance together, they should have tried to understand and learn about each other. They have to know what it means to be hurting the other person before complaining about why the other person is hurting me. It is unwise to expect for the other person to understand you if you have not attempted to understand them.

This booklet, *Get Connected*, gives us much information on FPC on understanding each other in relationships. I hope that this booklet will help us to be better communicators and make us more respectful for one another so that God can use all of us as the bridge and connection for his kingdom from Jerusalem to Judea, Samaria and to all around the world.

–*Youngsoo*

## GREETINGS FROM REV. DR. YOUNGSOO AN *(Korean Version)*

고슴도치 드디어 춤추다.

서로 좋아하는 두마리의 고슴도치가 있었습니다. 너무 좋아해서 마침내 서로 춤을 추게 되었습니다. 그런데 춤을 추려고 할 때마다 상대방의 가시가 자신을 찔러서 춤을 출수가 없었습니다. 한마리의 고슴도치가 생각합니다. “아니 이 고슴도치는 왜 내 마음도 몰라주고 나를 이렇게 찌르는 것일까?” 다른쪽 고슴도치도 생각합니다 “이 고슴도치는 왜 나를 이렇게 찌르는 걸까?” 서로를 원망만 하다가 고슴도치의 파티는 끝나버렸습니다. ”

고슴도치가 성공적으로 춤을 추기 위해서는 서로를 알아야 합니다. 서로 배워야 합니다. 어떻게 해야 내 가시에 상대방이 찔리지 않는지를 말합니다. 그래야 자신의 가시에 상대방이 찔리지 않게 되는

것입니다. 그렇지 않고 “내 마음은 그렇지 않은데 너는 왜 나를 가시로 찌르는가?”라고 말하는 것은 아무런 소용이 없습니다.

이 책 “Get Connected”는 이런 점에서 우리에게 서로 배울 수 있는 중요한 기회를 제공해 줍니다. 우리 교회의 많은 정보가 담겨 있기 때문입니다. 이곳에 있는 많은 정보를 통하여 서로 배우고, 서로 연결되기를 기도합니다. 그 연결을 통하여 우리는 예루살렘과 유다와 사마리아와 땅끝까지 이르는 선교의 다리를 튼튼하게 만들 수 있을 것입니다. 우리의 연결을 통하여 더욱 단단하게 세워질 하나님 나라를 기대합니다.

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## SCRIPTURE AND SERMON SCHEDULE: FALL 2015

**September 6, 2015** — *Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
(Communion, Labor Day Weekend)  
Scripture: Mark 7:24-37, Sermon: Jeff Lehn

**September 13, 2015** — *Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
(Homecoming Sunday)  
Scripture: *Matthew 5:1-16*, Sermon: *Jeff Lehn*

**September 20, 2015** — *Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Scripture: *Matthew 5:17-48*, Sermon: *Jeff Lehn*

**September 27, 2015** — *Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Scripture: *Matthew 6:1-18*, Sermon: *John Noble*

**October 4, 2015** — *World Communion Sunday, Joint Service*  
Scripture: *Matthew 6:19-34*  
Sermon: *Jeff Lehn*, *Youngsoo An*, and *Laura Sherwood*

**October 11, 2015** — *Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*  
Scripture: *Matthew 7:1-12*, Sermon: *Jeff Lehn*

**October 18, 2015** — *Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost*  
Scripture: *Matthew 7:13-29*, Sermon: *Jeff Lehn*

**October 25, 2015** — *Commitment Sunday*  
Scripture: *Matthew 14:13-21*, Sermon: *Jeff Lehn*

## FELLOWSHIP @ FIRST

Fellowship @ First events are multi-generational social evenings designed as opportunities for fun and fellowship. An optional dinner is served from 5:30-6:00 p.m. After dinner, activities take place until about 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come and be a part of these casual, fun evenings!

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| <b>Wed., September 23</b> | Downtown Scavenger Hunt   |
| <b>Wed., October 14</b>   | <i>Kids Against Hunger</i> packing event                          |
| <b>Wed., October 28</b>   | Trunk or Treat  |
| <b>Wed., November 11</b>  | ' <i>Say Yes to No</i> ' presentation—<br>Great Kids Allen County |

## KLM SCHEDULE

### GENERAL MEETINGS

Saturday Bible Study: 8 a.m.: small dining room

토요 성경 공부: 오전 8시: 스몰 다이닝 룸

Y.S.M (Young Sa Mo-small group for Korean women):

*ask Rev. An if you are interested*

여성 영사모 모임: 매주 정해진 시간, 정해진 장소에서: 주보를 참조해 주세요.

Wednesday Worship Service: 7 p.m.: Chapel.

수요 예배: 저녁 7시: 예배당

1010( Youth small group): Sunday 10:10 a.m.: Pastor's office

1010(청소년 성경 공부): 매주 주일 오전 10시 10분: 목회자 사무실

Monthly Big Tent: last Sunday, 5:00 p.m.: Member's house.

사랑방 모임: 매주 마지막 주일 저녁 5:00: 신청하는 성도의 가정에서

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday worship service: 11 a.m.: Chapel

주일 예배: 매주 주일 오전 11시: 채플

Wednesday Worship Service : 7 p.m. : Chapel

수요일 예배: 매주 수요일 저녁7시: 채플



### KLM EVENT SCHEDULE

Full Moon Celebration : Sept. 27

추석 맞이 민속잔치: 9월 27일 주일 예배시

Korean Congregation Anniversary: Oct. 25

교회 창립 기념일: 10월 25일 주일 예배시

Korean War Veteran's Dinner: Nov. 22

한국전 참전 군인 초청 감사 디너: 11월 22일 주일 예배 후

Christmas Eve Celebration: Dec. 24

크리스마스 이브 축하 모임: 12월 24일 저녁 5:00





## ON-CALL SCHEDULE AND PRAYER REQUESTS

### ON CALL SCHEDULE

August 30, 2015 - Laura	November 1, 2015 - Rev. An
September 6, 2015 - Jeff	November 8, 2015 - Jeff
September 13, 2015 - Rev. An	November 15, 2015 - Rev. An
September 20, 2015 - Laura	November 22, 2015 - Laura
September 27, 2015 - Jeff	November 29, 2015 - Jeff
October 4, 2015 - Rev. An	December 6, 2015 - Rev. An
October 11, 2015 - Laura	December 13, 2015 - Laura
October 18, 2015 - Jeff	December 20, 2015 - Jeff
October 25, 2015 - Laura	December 27, 2015 - Rev. An

### PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a prayer request, please call *Joan Jackson, 486-4828*. If you would like to be included in the e-news prayers, please email [codle@firstpres-fw.org](mailto:codle@firstpres-fw.org).

### IGNITING A SPIRIT OF DISCOVERY

*Interim Associate, Pastor Laura Sherwood ("PL")*



This year that I am with you as Interim Associate is being held up as a time of “*Transitional Discovery*.” Interim and transition are parts of the same whole in that they indicate a period of time that is “between” or “unknown.” Before the church searches specifically for your next Installed Associate Pastor, we are looking at this “between” time as an opportunity for everyone: members, officers, staff—to consider, even dream of, what ‘*could be*.’

One major focus will be to allow your Head-of-Staff Pastor to imagine what he might like more time for, what could shift in his responsibilities to make room to pursue what gives him a special sense of energy and excitement in his call as your Pastor.

The hope is that this “between” time will ignite a *Spirit of Discovery* in every aspect of life in this Church that seeks to *Transform Lives through the Love of Jesus Christ*. I encourage everyone to start dreaming of what ‘could be’ for you, your committee(s), your spiritual life, your sense of call as Christ’s disciple. What might give you a special sense of energy and excitement in the Church this year and beyond?

My door is always open, my calendar is always flexible to meet, discuss, and embark on this journey of discovery together—in as many ways as we can imagine!



## THE ARTS MINISTRIES: THEATER, MUSIC, GALLERY

### THEATER

**Escanaba in da Moonlight**  
by *Jeff Daniels*  
September 10–26, 2015

**His Eye is on the Sparrow**  
by *Larry Parr*  
October 15–31, 2015

**The Santaland Diaries**  
by *David Sedaris*, adapted by  
*Joe Mantello*  
December 3–19, 2015

*Sunday, October 11, 2015 FPT*  
**Benefit featuring Reverend  
Youngsoo An: Live Onstage!**

FPC's Korean Language minister has a tenor voice that will melt your heart. This fundraiser is to replace our aging sound system. *Cost is \$50 for 1 ticket—\$90 for 2 tickets. Includes dinner, dessert, and a silent auction*

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### MUSIC

**A Far Cry—Chamber Orchestra**  
*Saturday, September 12, 7:30 p.m.*  
*Location: Church Sanctuary*

**Smooth Edge 2- Vocal Jazz**  
*Monday, December 7, 2015, 7:00pm*  
*Location: McKay Hall*

#### *Participation Options*

**Chancel Choir:** Begins September 10. Rehearsals at 7:00 p.m. on Thursdays—Music Room and 10:00 a.m. on Sundays—Sanctuary

**Handbell Choir:** Begins September 30. Rehearsals at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays—Room 201.

[firstpres-fw.org/the\\_arts/music](http://firstpres-fw.org/the_arts/music)

### GALLERY

September 11 - October 11, 2015, *Terri Vaun Lindvall—Paintings, Oil on Canvas, Elizabeth Wamsley—Ceramics, Public Reception- Friday, Sept. 11, 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., Congregational Reception: Sunday, Sept. 20, 12:15 - 1:30 p.m.*

October 16 - November 29, 2015, *Kathy Palmiter—"Small Comforts," Fiber Art, Nancy Miller- "Nature's Bounty Redefined," Gourd Sculpture, Stone Paper Weights, Public Reception- Friday, Oct. 16, 5:30 -7:00 p.m., Congregational Reception: Sunday, Oct. 18, 12:15 -1:30 p.m.*

December 4, 2015–January 10, 2016, *Sarah Thompson—"Porcelain in Bloom", Ceramics, Carol Mitchell Popp Bennett—Watercolor, acrylic paintings, "Corkie" the puppet, co-star of "Carol and Corkie"*  
*Public Reception: Friday, December 11, 4:30 - 6:15 p.m., Congregational Reception: Sunday, Dec. 13, 12:15 - 1:30 p.m.*

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## ADULT EDUCATION, SUNDAY MORNINGS, 10:00 A.M.

### Sundays, September 13—December 20, Room 306

#### *The Bible Speaks*, Andrea Amstutz

This class will again be using *The Present Word*. The Fall book is titled *The Christian Community Comes Alive* based on scriptures from Acts. The Winter book is *Sacred Gifts and Holy Gatherings* based on selected Old and New Testament texts.

### Sundays, Sept. 13—Oct. 4, Session Room

#### *Faith at TED* with Rev. Jeff Lehn

Over the past several years, TED conferences have become a global phenomenon. A forum for sharing groundbreaking ideas in short talks (15-20 minutes), they challenge listeners to imagine and strive for a better world. In this class, we're going to watch four TED talks that relate to our faith. Each week, we'll watch one and discuss it. Join us as we learn from Gregory Boyle, Brene Brown, James Forbes and Eric Whitacre.

### Sundays, Sept. 13 – Dec., 20 *Java with Jesus, Parlor*

*Java with Jesus* will be making a return this program year. This is an opportunity for the parents of children and youth to come together and share life. There is curriculum available as a springboard, but more often than not we will use the time for open conversation. This is a very informal gathering, come once or come every Sunday! And yes, there is java.

### Sunday Oct. 11, Room 302

#### *Domestic Violence and the Bible* by Seth Kohrman

Seth is a community educator for the YWCA of Northeast Indiana primarily around the topic of domestic violence in regards to how it functions, how to intervene, and how to prevent it. He will be presenting on the relationship between domestic violence and the Bible.

### Sundays, Oct. 18 - Nov. 8, Room 302

#### *Exploring Hinduism*, Kathy Beatty

Kathy Beatty will share her interest in major world religions by focusing on the one to which most Christians probably have the least exposure. The class will be interactive, so come with questions and a willingness to share any first-hand experiences you may have had. The main resource Kathy will use for the class is *Getting Oriented: What Every Christian Should Know about Eastern Religions, but Probably Doesn't* (published by Polebridge Press).

## ADULT EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

**Thursdays, Sept. 10 - Oct. 11, *The Marriage Course, McKay Hall***

Lead by Tara and Aaron Lehmann .

Join us for this seven session course set in a fantastic atmosphere that will enhance any marriage. Dinner will be served at a table for two while listening to practical talks that are informative and fun, either given live or played on DVD. There is never any group work and you will never be asked to share anything about your relationship with anyone other than your partner.

*Cost: is \$100 and includes the workbook, 7 date nights with your spouse, dinner and babysitting (if you have children).*

**Sunday, Sept. 27, *Professor Esperanca Camara, "Reflections on St. Francis, Pope Francis, and Creation: A Message for the 21st Century"***

*12:15 p.m. - Sustainable foods luncheon, McKay Hall*

*1:30 p.m. - Presentation:* In collaboration with the Earth Care Ministry and in anticipation of the annual October 4, *Celebration of Saint Francis' Feast Day*, Dr. Camara will explore St. Francis' tender love of nature. Known as Patron Saint of Ecology, he referred to the sun and moon as "brother and sister" and to earth as "mother." He blessed and preached to all life around him, calling us to recognize our interconnectedness with all of creation. Pope Francis chose his papal name because of the urgent need to follow Saint Francis' example in caring for the poor and for creation. Just this summer, he made the first extensive papal statement on the environment, bringing together the spiritual, the scientific, and the moral, as he urges society to rethink its use of and relationship to the natural world.

**Saturday, Oct. 3, *Blessing of the Animals, Courtyard, 10:00 a.m.***

On Saturday, October 3, we continue the celebration of St. Francis' Feast Day and invite members of the church and community to join hundreds of other churches in celebrating this special blessing. As we bring together our beloved pets, (our best four-footed, winged, or finned friends) we are reminded of the intrinsic link between humans and all of creation and embrace all creatures as members of the same family

**Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 14 & 15**

***Dr. Mark Achtemeier***, Pastor & Author of *The Bible's Yes to Same Sex Marriage*. He will be preaching at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

At FPC we have a vibrant children, youth and family program. We hope you can join us when your schedule allows. For parents with young children, these times are a chance to slow-down and catch-up, and to share the love of God. For parents of older youth, these are a chance to reconnect and set them on a great path for their future.

### SUNDAY MORNINGS

#### 10:00-10:45 A.M. EDUCATION HOUR

##### **Children, 0-Grade 5**

*Nursery is open for ages 0-3*

*Sept. 13 – Dec. 6: Children's Drama ages 4-Grade 5. This fall we will be rehearsing for the Christmas Program, Dec. 13; everyone gets a part!*

**Youth, Grades 6–12, meet on the 2nd floor in the Youth Lounge for Sunday School.**

#### 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

**0-3 years old** –*Check in the nursery located in the East hallway. There are two nurseries: 0-18 months and 19-35 months. Security measures are taken to protect the safety of your child.*

**3 Years–Grade 5, begin worship 3 Years–Grade 5, begin worship with their families in the sanctuary.**

**Worship (activity) bags** are available for ages 3-6 (red) and age 7-12 (black) to keep children occupied. Following the **Children's Message**, children are escorted to Sunday School. Ages 3-K, room 205; grades 1-3, room 207; grades 4-5 room 210.

**Youth, grades 6–12** are always encouraged to attend worship service with their parent/s or grandparents. We encourage youth to be in the midst of our faith community. On occasion Youth will sit together in service, read scripture or help in the nursery.

### FALL SCHEDULE

September 29	Parent's Night Out
October 11	Bible Sunday, October 4–Grade 3
Oct 25 - Nov 8	Children's Operation Christmas Child shoebox collection
Nov 22	Children's Ministry Bake Sale
December 1	Salvation Army red kettle bell ringing
December 13	Children's Christmas program
December 20	Parent's Day Out - 12-4

## REVOLUTION! YOUTH GROUP: GRADES 6–12

September 4-6	Youth Retreat Weekend
September 13	Help with Homecoming Celebration events, 12:00—2:00 p.m.
September 20	Johnny Appleseed Cookie Booth (sign-up)
September 27	Youth Group @ church, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
October 4	Youth Group @ church, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
October 11	Youth Group @ church - Dinner and Theatre Benefit, 5:00–8:00pm
October 18	Youth Group @ church, 5:00–7:00 p.m.
October 25	SkyZone and dinner, 4:30pm –8:00 p.m.
November 1	Youth Group @ church, 5:00–7:00 p.m.
November 8	Youth Group @ church, 5:00–7:00 p.m.
November 15	Attend service @ Trinity English Lutheran and lunch at Coney Island!, 10:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m.
November 22, 29	NO Youth Group
December 6	Youth Group @ church w/mentors, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
December 13	Christmas Party, TBD
December 20, 27	NO Youth Group

## CONFIRMATION CLASS 2015

All youth entering 8th and 9th grades are invited to participate in this year's Confirmation Class. We will look at the foundation of our faith, explore the history of our traditions, and learn what has inspired the faith of those around us. This will be a meaningful, fun and exciting class that meets Sundays 12:15-2:00, with lunch, September–December with Confirmation Sunday on December 13th. Please contact Pastor Laura Sherwood or Jennifer Shaw for more information.

## GET CONNECTED: COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

*Below are the various committees and boards that operate at FPC. If you would like to learn more about the committee or would like to get involved, please reach-out to the contact person or simply check off on your time and talent card.*

**The Adult Education Committee:** is responsible for all adult education activities. *(Rollyn Coverdale, 824-8760)*

**Building and Grounds (B&G):** oversees capital funding projects approved by Session and the Finance Committee and projects funded from the B&G operating budget. *(Jim Lobsiger, 637-0795)*

**Children's Committee:** works with Jennifer Shaw, Director of Children, Youth and Family Ministries, on decisions related to church for children ages 0–Grade 5. *(Luci Foltz, 483-7805, Jennifer Shaw, 426-7421 x127)*

**Communication Committee:** is charged with the task of providing quality and consistent messaging for the church, both within the congregation and externally, and with increasing our visibility to the extended community. *(John Ruble, 637-8332)*

**Earth Care Committee:** Earth Care inspires our members and colleagues to become careful stewards working to restore balance and sustainability to the Earth for the preservation of all life forms and for future generations. *(Patty Griest at 625-3543 or PSGriest@comcast.net.)*

**Congregational Life Committee:** cares for and builds relationships among members and visitors at First Presbyterian Church. *(Susanne Rowe, 449-6803)*

**Day School Executive Board:** is made up of members of First Presbyterian Church and supports the Day School Director in matters pertaining to the successful growth and running of the Day School Ministry. *(Cindi Odle, 317-523-5985)*

**Mission Team:** This ministry team seeks to carry out mission and service through hands, hearts, and funding. *(Sandy Shearer, 459-0078)*

**Finance Committee:** conducts the Stewardship Program each year, and is working with the Foundation Funding Team to work on a fundraiser for the Foundation. *(Steve Weissner, 459-2470)*

**Governance Committee:** conducts long and short range planning, leadership development and training, and elections of Nominating Team and Presbytery commissioners. *(Stephen Adair, 672-9155 and David Lundy, 486-3140)*

**KLM Steering Committee:** administers and conducts a full range of worship, education and mission opportunities for Korean language members. *(Kwangheui Williams, 416-0565 Bohyung "Ken" Lee, 616-0610)*

**Personnel/Administration:** helps the Head of Staff manage the human resources of the church's membership and staff. *(David Scott, 432-8810 and Susanne Rowe, 486-6700)*

**Religious Arts Committee:** oversees the art, music and theater programs for First Presbyterian Church. *(Sarah Savage, 482-5112)*

### *Committees and Boards, continued*

**Spiritual Formation Committee:** facilitates spiritual growth and interpersonal connections through small groups, Bible study, and support activities. (*Marcie Weissner, 459-2470*)

**Spring Ahead Health & Fitness Committee:** spearheads one campaign per year that helps to get the congregation motivated and on track for better health, in order to be better connected to our spiritual faith (*Greg Odle, 317-697-5031*)

**Welcome Baby Ministry:** provides new families with meals, support from other moms and small gifts from the church (*Jennifer Shaw, 426-7421 x127 or jenshaw15@firstpres-fw.org*)

**Worship Committee:** helps plan, oversee and coordinate all worship services, choirs, music, ushers, acolytes and Sanctuary guilds. (*Sally Swihart, 744-4645*)

**Youth Committee:** Youth Committee works together to help plan activities for the Youth, grades 6-12. These include Sunday School classes, fundraisers, retreats, and youth group. (*Tom Foltz, 485-1402 and Jennifer Shaw, 426-7421 x127*)

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## GET CONNECTED: HANDS-ON MISSION WORK

**Just Neighbors/IHN:** organizes volunteers to provide evening meals two weeks each year to the homeless families in residence at IHN. (*Susan Walley, 260-483-6801*)

**Everyone a Neighbor Day:** on the fourth Thursday of each month, END provides lunch, fellowship and clothing to anyone in the area who comes. (*Sharon Hedeem, 483-9666*)

**Hunger Relief:** oversees the food collection on the third Sunday of each month and the distribution to the three food banks we support. (*Janice Roddy, 493-2511*)

**Rescue Mission Meal:** solicits food donations and servers for an evening dinner at the Rescue Mission on the third Sunday of each month. (*Nanette Teixeira, 745-0339*)

**Angel Tree Committee:** organizes, presents “angels” for whom congregation members may buy Christmas gifts, then distributes the gifts through Wellspring, East Wayne Street Center and Amistad Cristiana. (*Janice Roddy, 493-2511 and Beth Marks, 434-1227*)

**Wellspring Interfaith Social Service Committee:** works with Wellspring, whose purpose is to support and enrich the lives of Fort Wayne’s Central City residents. (*Cindi Odle, 317-523-5985*)

**Rising Stars for FWCS:** provides tutors, and helps the schools in other ways as requested. (*Kathy Adair, 672-9155; Pat Kohart, 637-3439*)



## GET CONNECTED: SOCIAL, SELF-HELP AND SUPPORT GROUPS

**3-S for Ones** is a new group for active singles, widowers, widows or anyone alone who wants to enjoy Socialization, Support, and Spiritual Growth.

*(Shirley Sona at 747-6562, sasona13@gmail.com)*

**Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group** is an open group that meets the third Thursday of the month, 10:30 am–Noon, in Room 306.

*(Dick Florea, Co-Facilitator, 459-0078)*

**Christ Care Groups** is a small group ministry for couples who meet regularly as agreed by the members. The group chooses discussion topics and may choose to carry on specific ministries or service projects. *(Dave Lundy at 486-3140 , daveandpat38@comcast.net; Jean Linville at 486-4181, JenLnvl@comcast.net)*

**Connections** is a small group ministry designed to build community, deepen relationships, and grow spiritually. Groups meet once or twice a month from October through May. *(Jean Linville 486-4181, e-mail JenLnvl@comcast.net; Vicki Davis phone 745-3816, vsrdavis@hotmail.com)*

**Dinners for Eight** is a dinner group program that offers couples (any two people) a chance to get to know fellow Presbyterians by meeting in homes (or other locations), sharing a meal, fellowship, and recipes! *(Carole Slater 341-9700, Diane Gumbert 432-6390)*

**Faith Friends/Zip Code Dinners** are groups of church members from the same zip code who gather for fellowship and food once month in private homes or restaurants as each individual group decides. If you would like to be included in a certain zip code, please contact the *Church Office 426-7421*.

**Fellowship @ First** events are multi-generational social evenings designed as opportunities for fun and fellowship. *(See schedule on page 3)*. Everyone is welcome to come and be a part of these fun, casual evenings!

**First Friends** is a group of active church members who assist new members in becoming involved in the life of the church, with an emphasis on committee or small group involvement. *(Jean Linville 486-4181, JenLnvl@comcast.net)*

**First Hope:** First Presbyterian Church Suicide Grief Support Group is a place of peace for those who have known or experienced the loss of a friend or loved one to suicide. *(LeaAnn Powers 484-0141; Lou Brickman 485-2485–Facilitators)*

**MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)** Mothers and their preschoolers meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month 9:30–11:30 am during the school year. \$85.00 for program and materials. *(Lauren Knoop at (317) 730-3988, laurenknoop@gmail.com.)*

**Presbyterian Women (PW)** is open to all women of FPC for fellowship, growth, and service. Project Leaders needed! *(Lynn Rebman at 637-6071, lynn@rebmanconsulting.com.)*

*Social, Self-Help And Support Groups, continued*

**Table Talk I and Table Talk II** are book clubs which meet weekly on Wednesdays (morning and afternoon groups) to read and discuss a book agreed upon by the group. (*Jean Linville, 486-4181, JenLnvl@comcast.net*)

**Women's Bible Study** is a lively, thoughtful, open and accepting discussion group. The group meets weekly from October through May, at a time chosen by the group. (*Pastor Laura Sherwood, 426-7421, X106*).

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## FIRST PRES BOOK AND GIFT SHOP

The Book & Gift Shop has been a part of First Pres for over 40 years, selling books, cards, gifts and crafts (made in third world countries and by local members). The shop is run by volunteers who work one or two shifts a month. New volunteers are always welcome.



Proceeds from sales go to the Angel Tree project, the Children's Ministry of FPC, IHN and other charities. Books are typically priced at 20% below retail price, and any book not in stock can be ordered for you. The Book & Gift Shop is located at the end of the first floor classroom hallway, beyond the Nursery, and is open from 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays (Wednesdays only, June through August), and every Sunday before and after the late Worship Service. To volunteer, for more information or to order a book, please call 426-7421 x110.



## GET CONNECTED: SMOCK MINISTRIES

Smock Ministries provides opportunities for seniors aged 50 and over.

The Smock Ministries office is located on the third floor of the church, and exists because of the beneficence of Frank and Laura Smock. Events and services provided by Smock Ministries include *Presby-Day* on the third Thursday of each month, volunteer drivers to transport seniors, assistance with financial planning and insurance matters, day trips and longer tours, computer training for seniors, Medicare counseling, Caring Connection newsletter mailed out six times a year, and 3-B exercise classes. For more information or to become involved, please contact *Rev. Bill Haworth, Executive Director, 426-7421 x131, or Mary Lynn McIntyre, Administrative Secretary, 426-7421 x132, or smock@firstpres-fw.org.*

### PRESBY-DAY

**September 17**– *Amazon John Silly Safari*, nature and nature's God featuring reindeer, gibbon monkeys and vultures, McKay Hall

**October 15**–Tour of Peabody Retirement Community in North Manchester, free – call 426-7421 #132 with your reservation

**November 19**: Travels with the Bashes

**Sunday, December 6**–*The Santaland Diaries*, FPC Theater, 2 p.m. \$5.00 includes theater and dessert after the performance

### SMOCK TOURS, TRIPS AND SHOWS

**September 8-11**–Washington, D. C., \$763.00 (*double*)

**September 15-18**–Mackinac Island/Thunder Bay, \$722.00 (*double*)

**October 1**–Smoke on the Mountain, Amish Acres, Nappanee, Dinner and 2:00 p.m. show, \$47.00

**October 8**–Elkhart – (Carolyn's trip), Fall Flower/Floral Quilt Designs, Wellfield Botanic Gardens - \$25.00

**October 15**–Peabody Retirement Community, North Manchester, tour and lunch, *FREE*

**October 28, 29**–West Baden and French Lick, \$318.00 (*double*)

**December 6**–*The Santaland Diaries*, First Presbyterian Theater, 2:00 p.m. show with dessert, \$5.00

**December 12**–Yuletide with Sandi Patty, Indianapolis, \$143.00

### 3 B FITNESS CLASS, MCKAY HALL

Classes meet in McKay Hall from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Angie Briner, Rev. Haworth and Shirley Sona, instructors. Fall Session starts on *Wednesday, September 9, 2015* and ends on *Friday, November 20, 2015.*

## GET CONNECTED THE DAY SCHOOL



The First Presbyterian Day School Ministry is dedicated to providing the finest quality Christian care and early childhood education to children ages two through six. Through the implementation of The Creative Curriculum for Preschool, developed by Teaching Strategies, Inc., our staff has created a learning environment that promotes children's growth and development through interest areas, a predictable daily schedule and positive relationship building. The goal of the curriculum is to encourage children to become lifelong learners through observing, thinking, manipulating, investigating and wondering.

The staff of the Day School is pleased to announce that the Day School Ministry has achieved Level 3 in the Paths to QUALITY system. For more information please contact Marj Sapp, Day School Director, at 426-7421 x108 or [msapp@firstpres-fw.org](mailto:msapp@firstpres-fw.org).



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lunch, music, and *Get Connected* opportunities!



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### *Worship Services*

*9:00 a.m. - McMillen Chapel (English)*

*11:00 a.m. - Sanctuary (English)*

*11:00 a.m. - McMillen Chapel (Korean)*

*Sunday School - adults and children at 10:00am*



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