

First Presbyterian Church the LANTERN

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Youth Summer Dates and Activities!

High School and Middle School Students are welcome to join us!

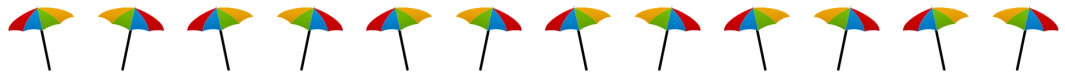
July 25: Ultimate Banana and Water Gun Fight. First Presbyterian Church (bring your water guns and clothes you can get wet in!) 4:30 to 6 pm.

August 1: Shaving Cream War and Water Balloons. First Presbyterian Church. (wear clothes you can get wet in!)

August 15: Sponge Tag and Outdoor Pizza and Soda Goodbye to Summer Party. First Presbyterian Church. 4:30 to 6 pm.

Tentative Smore's Campfire maybe at some point!

Vacation Bible School – VBS will be July 27-31 from 9:00-10:30 a.m. They will be going to Beach Ottumwa on Saturday, July 31 leaving the church at 12:00 p.m.



Matthew 25:35-40

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

The Pantry of Adair County – PAC is in the process of expanding their building at their current site and will have numerous expenses related to this expansion. Sheila Swafford, PAC's director, came to our June outdoor worship service and talked about their expansion and the need for more space. Being one of the founding churches for the Pantry for Adair County, session voted to match what is donated from the congregation up to \$2,500. To date the congregation has given \$200.

Sheila thanked us for our continued support in feeding the hungry in Adair County. You may make your donation by mailing a check, dropping your gift in the offering plate or giving online. Please note PAC on your gift so it can be added to our total. Make your donation soon so we can get our gift to PAC when they need it.



Presbyterian Women will not be meeting in July. However, we will start our new year August 25. Contact Margaret Ferrell for time and place.

This year's study will be What My Grandmothers Taught Me: Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus. Matthew invites us into family stories that helped shape Jesus. These women have backstories that are the kind of story you could hear listening to your grandmothers reminisce about her early life. Matthew chose to mention Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Bathsheba and Mary.

What can these women teach us? Matthew named these women for a reason. Their stories lead us into the Gospels, the Good News about Jesus Christ. Exploring the stories together, we will have a richer idea about what the good news is. All are welcome, so please feel free to join us. We'd love to have you and we only meet once a month!



While we are still offering online services via Facebook, we are also open for in-person worship and will hold fellowship time following worship as well. We do have limited seating and strongly request you wear your mask and practice social distancing while in the building to help us protect those who are most vulnerable as cases in Adair County continue to rise.

Session is continuing to research, monitor and address concerns from the congregation.

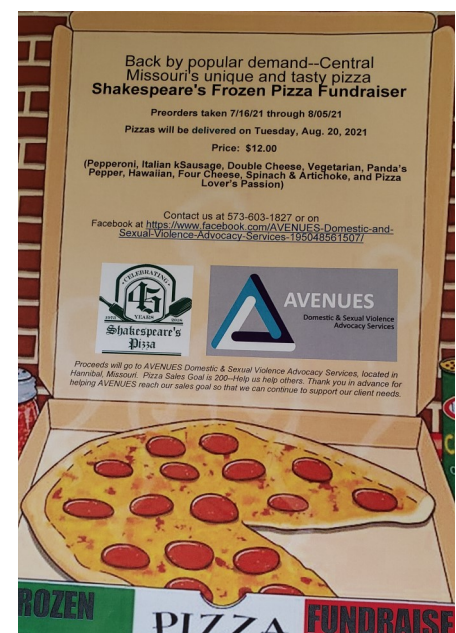
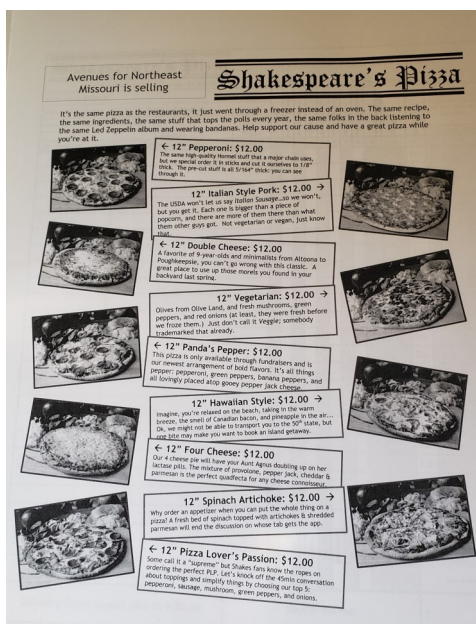
Members are doing their best to guide our congregation through this unknown, difficult time. **While they welcome your input, please offer your opinion in an attitude of Christian love. Be kind.**

Hello! AVENUES, or Abuse Victims Education Network Unified to Ensure Safety, now has an office in Kirksville. The agency's mission is to provide support, security, and awareness for victims of domestic and sexual violence through their journey to achieve a stable future.

AVENUES is bringing Central Missouri's unique and tasty pizza to Northeast Missouri through their 2021 Shakespeare's Frozen Pizza Fundraiser. For every pizza sold at \$12, AVENUES will receive \$5. Funds received will support the entire AVENUES service area.

You may contact Bobbie Robie, Sexual Violence Victim Advocate for Adair, Schuyler & Scotland Counties at bobbier@avenueshelp.org or Belenda Baker, NEMO Outreach Domestic Violence Victim Advocate - Adair, Schuyler & Scotland Counties at BelendaB@avenueshelp.org for additional information or to place your order. **Orders must be submitted by 8/5/21 and pizzas will be delivered on 8/20/21.** The AVENUES overall agency goal is 400 pizzas so let's see if we can help them reach it!

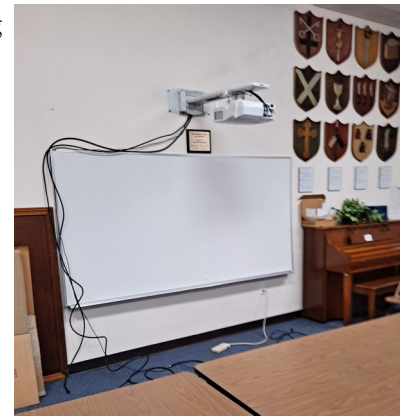
Please feel free to post this information in your offices and share with family and friends. Lynn VanDolah





The Dorothy Mae McWhirt Sees memorial was dedicated during our July 4 Sunday morning worship service. This generous memorial gift given to the church by her family has made possible the wall AV Screen/Projector System recently installed in Fellowship Hall. This wonderful system will serve our congregation in various viewing needs for many years.

Dorothy joined this church in 1948 and served as Elder, Deacon, Sunday School teacher, Women's Association member and on many committees. Both she and her husband Ralph H. Sees (both over 50 year members), were dedicated not only in our church but also in the community. They raised their three children, Donna, Carol and David in the church. Several years ago they moved to Colorado and were residing there at the time of each passing. (10/19/1923 - 6/11/2019) It is with greatest joy we celebrate Dorothy's entrance into the church triumphant and gratefully accept this gift as a sacred trust to the GLORY OF GOD!



— Linda Hudnall, Memorial Committee

July Birthdays

John Giovannini—7/3
Hunter Giovannini—7/3
Julie Lochbaum—7/4
Andrew Giovannini—7/9
Stanley Bohon—7/10
Joy Bulen—7/12
Jean Crawford—7/14
Brent Nolker—7/15
Dorothy Link—7/16
Scott Thatcher—7/17
Greg Marshall—7/19
Mike Ahrens—7/20
Mark Novinger—7/22
David Murphy—7/23
Ginger Nolker—7/29

July Anniversaries

Alex & Kate Sandefur—7/2
Tim & Elaine AuBuchon—7/5
Joel & Wanda Cagle—7/14

August Birthdays

Paul Yoder—8/1
Lisa Ahrens—8/3
Samantha Gran—8/6
John Bryant—8/9
Mary Elam—8/20
Thomas Thatcher—8/20
Joel Cagle—8/22
Curran Prendergast—8/23
Bryan Collier—8/27
Miles Krebs—8/28

August Anniversaries

Dale & Barbara Stone—8/6
Mark & Lynn VanDolah—8/10
Dustin & Courtney Hamilton—8/13
Charles & Mary Giovannini—8/17
Charles & Christine Gran—8/23

Session discussed ways to reconnect with each other in a more physical way. When prayers are posted here or by email, take a few minutes to write a card to the person making the prayer request. It can be a note or, just a “thinking of you” card. It will do both the sender and the recipient good. Remember Beth as well. New York is a long way from home!

Her address is: Elisabeth Shirk
60 Presidential Plaza, Apt. 409
Syracuse, NY 13202

The PNC is off and running! Our MIF (Ministry Information Form) has been submitted to the Presbytery office. Once the form has been approved the PNC will be busy reviewing possible candidates.



Upcoming worship opportunities

In order to make our worship service more comfortable for our guest speakers and more meaningful for our congregation, we need additional volunteers for liturgists and music. Please contact Elaine AuBuchon for instructions to be a liturgist or provide music.

Date	Speaker	Liturgist	Greeter
July 18	Jennifer Finley	Rebecca Shirk	Lynn Van Dolah
July 25 Outside	Chad Mohler	Brenda Martin	
August 1			
August 8	Dale Stone		Barbara Stone
August 15	Wally Landrum		

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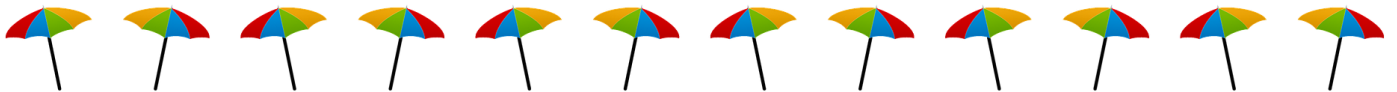
Address Line 2

www.facebook.com/firstpresbykirkville

Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Sunday School 11:00 am

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



We haven't had a group training for quite some time. With the increase of volunteers from various churches and organizations it's time!

Interested in learning how we do what we do? New to the Clothes Closet or just needing a refresher course? Do you know someone who might be interested in volunteering, but hasn't connected yet?

Bring a friend and see if this ministry might be a good fit for your talents.

Saturday, July 24 at 1:00 pm

See you at the Clothes Closet!

We are in need of the following items:

Girls summer clothes, size T

Shoes of all sizes, especially tennis/athletic shoes

Men's shorts, size small