

# January Chimes

### First Presbyterian Church

January Greeters

Deacon of Month: Dan Alexander

7: Butch & Faythe Amberg

14: Dan & Shari Fuhr

21: Nate & Val Stephens

28: Lee Davis

January Communion Servers

Current Ruling Elder Dave Danielson, Shannon Sweetman,

Adrienne Danielson, Dan Alexander, Laura Kohler,

Matt Tiffany, Shari Fuhr

January Ushers
Head Usher: Matt Tiffany
Kimary Tiffany,
Barb Nelson,
Dave Danielson,
Leon King,
Donavan Sharpe

We'd like
to take this
opportunity to thank
our wonderful
congregation for all
their support this
year!

~FPC Stewardship Committee

# Thank You

#### NOTES

Dear Deacons and FPC Family,

Thank you so much for the gift box! It was such a nice pick me up during the end of my busy semester. I will have to use the Qdoba gift card when I'm back home because the closest Qdoba is in Colorado:) I am looking forward to celebrating Christmas at home. See you all soon!

Thanks again, Julia Prouty

Thank You: Thank you for your prayers and cards in the loss of my mother, Dorothy. ~ Steven Symes

Dear Members and Deacons,

Thank you for the gift box of goodies! It came just in time for my finals week at school and was just what I needed to lift my spirits up. I'm so grateful for such a supportive church family and I appreciate you thinking of me!

Lauren Karnitz

DATE January 5, 2024
SUBJECT Annual Report Deadline

DATE January 28, 2024
SUBJECT Annual Congregational Meeting

2024 PER-CAPITA

GENERAL ASSEMBLY: \$9.80

SYOD: \$5.50

PRESBYTERY: \$29.70

TOTAL: \$45.00/PER MEMBER





#### Here are 25 Christian resolutions that individuals may consider for the year 2024:

- Deepen Prayer Life: Set aside dedicated time for prayer and meditation to strengthen your relationship with God.
- Bible Reading Plan: Commit to reading the Bible regularly, whether it's a daily plan or a throughthe-year reading schedule.
- Attend Church Regularly: Make attending church services a priority to foster community and spiritual growth.
- Serve in Ministry: Volunteer your time and talents in a church ministry or community service to make a positive impact.
- Practice Forgiveness: Make a conscious effort to forgive others and let go of grudges.
- Live Generously: Cultivate a spirit of generosity by giving to those in need and supporting charitable causes.
- Strengthen Family Bonds: Prioritize quality time with family and nurture a loving and supportive environment.
- Cultivate Gratitude: Develop a habit of expressing gratitude daily for the blessings in your life.
- Share Your Faith: Look for opportunities to share your faith with others through both words and actions.
- Foster Unity: Work towards unity within your church and community, promoting a spirit of harmony and understanding.
- Practice Humility: Cultivate a humble heart, recognizing that all talents and abilities are gifts from God.
- Eliminate Negative Habits: Identify and work towards eliminating habits that hinder your spiritual growth.
- Embrace Joy: Choose joy in all circumstances, relying on the joy that comes from a relationship with Christ.
- Prioritize Sabbath Rest: Set aside time for rest and reflection, honoring the Sabbath and allowing for spiritual rejuvenation.
- Seek God's Will: Regularly seek God's guidance in decision-making and align your actions with God's will.
- Build Authentic Relationships: Foster genuine and authentic relationships with fellow believers, supporting each other in faith.
- Educate Yourself: Invest time in studying theology and deepening your understanding of Christian doctrines.
- Promote Justice: Advocate for justice and righteousness in your community, addressing social issues from a biblical perspective.
- Flee from Sin: Identify areas of temptation and commit to avoiding situations that may lead to sin.
- Encourage Others: Be intentional about encouraging and uplifting others in their faith journey.
- Practice Patience: Cultivate patience in your interactions with others, trusting in God's timing.
- Be a Peacemaker: Actively work towards resolving conflicts and promoting peace in your relationships.
- Cultivate Contentment: Find contentment in God's provision and resist the urge for excessive materialism.
- Invest in Spiritual Disciplines: Explore and practice various spiritual disciplines such as fasting, solitude, and worship.
- Reflect on God's Faithfulness: Regularly reflect on and celebrate the faithfulness of God in your life, acknowledging His grace and mercy.

Remember, these resolutions are meant to inspire personal growth and a deeper connection with your faith. It's important to approach them with sincerity and a willingness to rely on God's strength to fulfill them.

Have a blessed 2024! In Christ's love, Pastor Scott Prouty

#### Session Meeting: December 11, 2023

- Opened with prayer.
- Present: Pastor Scott Prouty, Elders Michael Joldersma, Sonya Alexander, Dave Danielson, Julie Rienstra, Nathan Stephens. Excused/Absent: Elders Stephanie Klavetter, Molly Miller, Nick Brozek, Tony Miller.
- Giving/Expenses short \$34,000 as of the end of November.
- Will be donating to the Imagination Library from the Endowment interest.
- Two high school seniors will be eligible for a Memorial Scholarship.
- The Advent wreath has been repaired; will have a new one for Christmas 2024.
- Voted for status changes on the roll book.
- Voted on schedule of Communion for 2024.
- Installation/Ordination will be January 21, 2024.
- Congregational meeting will be January 28, 2024.
- There will be a Christmas Eve dinner after the service, planned by Matthew 25.
- Closed with prayer

# Pastor's Visitation Schedule

**Review & Confirm** your visit with the church office.

#### **January**

#### **January 4 Pastor Scott Takes Communion to:**

Bob & Bunny Notling at 2:00 pm Sally Dording at 3:00 pm Todd & Kathy Peterson at 4:00 pm

#### **January 23 Pastor Scott Visits:**

Leon King at 2:00 pm

#### **January 25 Pastor Scott Takes Communion to:**

Rosemary Bennett at 9:30 am Jenifer Hindt at 11:00 am Sue Tiffany at 2:00 pm Ralph Revier at 3:00 pm Doreen Steenblock at 4:00 pm

#### **February**

#### **February 1 Pastor Scott Visits:**

Bob & Bunny Notling at 2:00 pm Sally Dording at 3:00 pm Todd & Kathy Peterson at 4:00 pm

#### **February 7 Pastor Scott Visits:**

Lois Davis at 3:30 pm

#### **February 22 Pastor Scott Visits:**

Leon King at 9:30 am Judy Curtis at 2:00 pm Dave & Adrienne Danielson at 3:00 pm

#### **January 29 Pastor Scott Visits:**

Rosemary Bennett at 9:30 am Jenifer Hindt at 11:00 am Sue Tiffany at 2:00 pm Doreen Steenblock at 3:00 pm Ralph Revier at 4:00 pm

# Happy Anniversary

25th: Scott & Laura Kohler 27th: Gene & Fae Beckllund

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1st: William Prouty
2nd: Aaron Rohlik
4th: Ethin Mammen
8th: Nolan Rudenick
9th: Scott Mann
10th: Jacob Bloedow
12th: Maddie Hicks
Addelyn Stough
14th: Deanie Fuhr
Bailey Kramer

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16th: Rosemary Bennett
17th: Grayson Gregg
20th: Blaise Stough
21st: Jonathan Oja
Beverly Alexander
23rd: Butch Amberg
Lindsey Kramer
Jackie Morris
24th: Lynn Juell
Winston Venable

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26th: Tyler Siegfried
27th: Bob Alexander
28th: Barb Brown
Sue Tiffany
29th: Ashley Whelihan

30th: Stacy Mathiowetz 31st: Bob Kaupang

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Pastor Scott out of the office - January 1-2	Church Offices Closed- New Years Day	2	3 Piecemakers OT, NT Bible Studies	4 Pastor: Zoom Meeting Pastor: Visits	5 Annual Report Deadline	6
7 S School/ Choir Worship-HC WK Food Bags-Brozek	8 Pastor Scott our of the office - January 8- 15	9	10 Youth Club	11 Deacon Meeting	12	13
14 S School/ Choir Worship- Guest Speaker	Church Offices Closed - Martin Lutheran King Day	16	17 Piecemakers  OT, NT Bible Studies  Pastor: Zoom Meeting  Youth Club  Confirmation- Danielson	18 Pastor: All Day GA Meeting	19 Pastor: All Day GA Meeting	20
21 S School/ Choir  Worship- Installation/ Ordination  WK Food Bags-Pastor Scott & Volunteers	22 Pastor: Rotary Board Meeting/ Regular Meeting Session Meeting	23 Pastor: Visit	24 OT, NT Bible Studies  Youth Club  Confirmation- Hicks	25 Pastor: Visits	26	27 Pastor: All Day Presbytery Train
28 S School/ Choir  Worship-HC  Congregational Meeting	29	30	31 OT, NT Bible Studies Youth Club Confirmation- Miller			