

# First Presbyterian News

October 2021

401 Lincolnway East, Mishawaka, In. 46544

## A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR DANIEL

Greeting to our First Presbyterian Church Mishawaka family and friends. It is my pleasure to announce that our daughter "Gabie" was born on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Jae and I have been waiting for this day for months, and our hearts were filled with joy and gratitude as we welcomed our little one.

Gabie was 6 pounds 14 ounces and 20 inches long at birth. When I hold Gabie and looked in her eyes for the first time, I felt a strong desire to care for and protect her. Every time I pick up Gabie for changing her diaper, burping, swaddling, carrying, playing and sleeping, I feel like I am holding the most precious treasure in the world.

One evening, as I looked into my daughter's eyes, one of the Scripture readings from Psalms came into my mind.

**"The LORD is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand. Then sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night."** *Psalm 121:5-6*

This psalm reminds us that we are always held in God's presence regardless of our awareness. Do we have full confidence and trust that God is our keeper who is always near and watching over us?

The message of this psalm is so comforting to know that no matter what struggles and challenges we may face in life, the LORD will watch over us and be our shade at our right hand. **Shade** is usually a positive image of protection in the OT Scripture. In the harsh climate of the ancient Near East, a shade gives protection from burning heat.

If you remember from the story of Exodus, the LORD kept his people Israel in the wilderness by a pillar of cloud by day, so that they could survive in the excessive heat of the sun. The LORD was their keeper.

As I was holding Gabie and watching over her sleep, I was thinking about God who holds me and watches over me day and night. No matter what kind of situations we may face or go through in life, God constantly holds our hand and keeps his eyes on us. Our God never sleeps or slumbers. He watches over our coming and going both now and forevermore.

So, why not keep our eyes on God – our ultimate source of help?

**"I lift up my eyes to the hills – from where will my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth."** *Psalm 121:1-2*

Thanks be to God!

Blessings,

Pastor Daniel

**Worship and Music****Judy Sulak, Chair**

Greetings from worship and music,

We are so blessed to have Daniel Cho and his wife Jae and their new baby in our Church life. We are also blessed to have Desheng Huang playing the organ and violin during worship services. We as a people of God have so many blessings in our lives they are too many to count. I'm thankful for all who have volunteered to be worship leaders and ushers in 2021 and pray I can count on you to fill those positions again in 2022. You all have done an exceptional job.

Worship leaders.

Ushers

10.3 Darlene Seufert.

Ethan DeMaegd

World communion

10.10 Judy Sulak.

Carol Polk, Greg Phillips

10.17 Mary Watt.

Michael Green

10.24 Alan Camren.

Dan Bruner, Neil Seufert

10.31 John Rice.

Bill Bellairs, Judy Sulak

You are all a blessing to worship and music as well as to the church.

We wish you all many blessings and joy

***MISCELLANEOUS THANK YOUS***

The mission committee thanks you for your support of the mask sale. We have collected \$90 to be given to the Albright food pantry. Masks are still available. I even have some with snowmen for the winter months. It appears that there is no end in sight for wearing masks at present. See Mary Ann Dentino if you are in need of a mask.

**From Mary Ann Dentino****Presbyterian Women and Smile Amazon**

The Presbyterian Women in the Presbyterian Church USA, Inc received a donation of \$236.39 for the third quarter of 2021. This is all in thanks to customers shopping at smile.amazon.com. Since starting this pay it forward program AmazonSmile's impact has donated \$3,870.62 to PW, and \$285,795,312.80 to all charities in the United States. If you have not already clicked on a charity on Smile please do so soon.

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Pastor hours: Tuesday through Thursday, 9 to noon

Office Secretary hours: Tuesday through Friday, 9 to noon

Financial Secretary hours: Monday &amp; Thursday 9 to noon

Custodian hours: Monday through Friday, 6 am to 11 am

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P.O. Box 744 Mishawaka, Indiana 46546**MAC Mishawaka Alliance of Care****MAC Food Pantry****Janet Freeman**

There is nothing new to report from the Food Pantry, which no doubt means they are providing the same great services. as always.

**Church Officers and Committees****Session:** Greg Phillips, Chris Wukovits, John Martz, Mary Ann Dentino, Judy Sulak**Board of Deacons:**

Carole Polk Moderator, Bill Bellairs, Tom Camren, Pam Martz, Jenn Frey, Jim Stanz

**Facilities and Operations**

John Martz, Chair

**Book Club:** Judy Green**Clerk of Session:** Teresa Primmer**Christian Education:** Chris Wukovits, Chair**Finance:** Ron May, Chair**Mission and Evangelism:**

Mary Ann Dentino, Chair

**Newsletter:** Nancy Adams**Personnel:** Greg Phillips, Chair**Prayer Chain:** Lynett Heritz**Presbyterian Women:**

Carole Polk and Judy Green

**Special Gifts:** Sue Rice, Chair**Stewardship:** Ron May, Chair**Treasurer:** John Rice**Worship and Music:**

Judy Sulak, Chair

**CE NEWS****Christine Wukovits, Chair**

Prepare for Advent by joining us for a special book study to make our Christmas celebration more meaningful. We will be diving into the book by Matt Rawle called The Heart That Grew Three Sizes. I'm sure many of you have read How the Grinch Stole Christmas to your children or grandchildren. It has been made into two movies as well. We can learn a lot from the Grinch. It will be a fun and exciting way to look at Christmas through the eyes of the Grinch. We are hoping to serve a light supper prior to the book study this year, but that will depend on the virus situation. I will keep you posted. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board beginning October 10th. Please sign up so we have enough books for everyone. Hope to see you there so we can find our faith in the story of the Grinch.

**2021 TODDLER ROOM SCHEDULE**

JANUARY DARLENE

FEBRUARY JUDY S.

MARCH PAM M.

APRIL ANGELA

MAY LYNETT

JUNE JUDY G./CAROLE

JULY DYAN

AUGUST LYNETT

SEPTEMBER BRITTANY

OCTOBER TERESA

NOVEMBER MARY ANN

DECEMBER JUDY G./  
CAROLE

## Presbyterian Women at First Presbyterian Church, Mishawaka



### UPPER ROOM SALE

The final regular upper room sale for this year will be Saturday, October 16th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Next up will be the vendor/bake sale of November 13th. Judy Green will be contacting people about cookies, updating yard signs and preparing flyers.

Bake Sale is around the corner! Upcoming dates to note:

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> Bake Sale work day 10- Noon. Noodle making

Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> Bag the noodles

Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> Bake Sale work night 6:00-8:00 cheeseball soup mixes.

Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> Set-up for Bake Sale in Fellowship Hall 8:00 a.m.

Nov 13<sup>th</sup> **Bake Sale** - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Fellowship Hall

### NEW FRIENDS

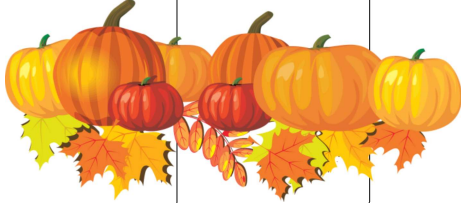
There have been several new people attending services here recently. Please make it a point to say hi, welcome them and now that fellowship is once again being offered after worship, invite them to socialize with you. Also encourage the women to look into the circles and events.

### MYSTERY BLAST FROM THE PAST

One day last week a gentleman from Mishawaka High School dropped off a packet containing several copies of sheet music "Sing Ye All, now Rejoice!". The envelope indicated the date used as 12-21-75. The copies all have the name and address stamped on the front. If you remember these and would like one, let the office know!

## OCTOBER 2021

Worship 10 am

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Dick Dentino Memorial service – 11:00 a.m.
3 Communion	4	5	6	7	8 Quilts of Valor 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.	9 Quilts of Valor 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Upper Room workday – 10:00 a.m. – noon
10 Deacons' meeting – 11:15 a.m.	11	12	13	14	15	16 Upper Room sale – 9:00 a.m. –
17 Book club- Between Friends by Debbie Macomber" 3:00 p.m at Darlene's	18 Elizabeth Circle – 7:00 p.m.	19	20	21	22 Ruth Circle – 7:00 p.m.	23
24/31  31 – Halloween	25	26 	27	28	29	30