

OFFICE
HOLIDAY
Schedule

The office will be closed:

December 23 through December 28
December 31 through January 4th, 2022
Wishing all a Safe Holiday Season
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

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MASKS

The Session, by recommendation of the COVID response team of the First Presbyterian Church of Michigan City has made the decision that **MASKS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES WHILE YOU ARE IN THE BUILDING, EVEN IF YOU ARE FULLY VACCINATED.**
FOR THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL PLEASE WEAR A MASK
AND CONTINUE TO OBSERVE DISTANCING

We would like for all to feel safe and comfortable when they worship with us. Thank You

ALL CALENDARS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

Please notice the holiday schedule for the office on the calendars. Due to the holidays, the bulletin will be finished and printed on Wednesdays. Therefore, if you need to have an article in the church chat or any part of the bulletin, it must be furnished to Diane Yettaw before 10am on Wednesdays. The dates will go back to normal after the holidays.

Thank you. Have a blessed holiday season.

HERE WE GO AGAIN.....

Just as many of us were becoming comfortable with hosting family get-togethers, returning to work or rejoining the gym, a new variant of the coronavirus is creating fresh uncertainty. Not knowing what's in store with Omicron can take us back to other turbulent times during the pandemic, when confusion was a regular part of life.

Wear your mask, get your vaccine, and stay home if you're not feeling well. Let science not Facebook dictate your decisions.

Dina Gasaway, RN
Clinical Supervisor
Beacon Health System
Beacon Medical Group-LaPorte



December 01 Ree Labaj
December 02 Andrew Grove
December 06 Jerry Jackson
December 09 Dylana Crowder
December 11 Marge Winfield
December 12 Anne Lute
December 13 Bernard Scott
December 14 Michele Bartels
December 14 Jason McDaniel
December 17 Micah Spiece

December 18 Norma Whybrew
December 20 Peggy McAnally
December 20 Pamela Krueger
December 23 Andy Casper
December 24 Jason Blank
December 25 Jesus Christ
December 26 Alexis Day
December 28 Laurie Wilson
January 01 Patty Mershon Schaefer

WEEKLY GIVING ENVELOPES

Unfortunately, the company that prints our envelopes is once again running behind in production. I was told that even though our order was submitted the beginning of October, they are still behind. She stated they are working 12 hours shifts, 7 days a week to get caught up. The earliest the envelopes will ship will be after the first week in January, 2022. They apologized for any inconvenience this may cause you. I will get them out as soon as they arrive. Diane C Yettaw, Administrative Assistant.

CHURCH CHAT

2021 PER CAPITA

Per Capita for 2021 is \$42.03 per person. Remember this should NOT be included in your check for regular offering because it goes into a dedicated fund. **You payment MUST be received in the office no later than December 29th to be included in your 2021 statement.** Thank you

GIVING STATEMENT

If we have your email on file, you should have received a giving statement as of December 2, 2021. This is to allow you to see where you are on your pledge. A final giving statement for 2021 will be emailed in January 2022. If we do not have your email on file, a printed copy will be available at the church. Any questions, please contact the Diane Yettaw, Administrative Assistant in the church office

150 Year Celebration Trivia

The Christmas Star, or the Star of Bethlehem, behind our cross appears in the nativity story of the Gospel of Matthew where "wise men from the East" are inspired by the star to travel to Jerusalem. There, they meet King Herod of Judea, and ask him: Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him.



CELEBRATE!

Thank you to everyone who has participated in the **150 members, 150 dollars, 150 years** challenge! Your contribution has already helped us to avoid a larger shortfall! For those of you who haven't already participated, you still have time! Please continue to contribute to this challenge through mid-December. Our shortfall is \$20,000.00 as of the end of September. With your participation, this could be smaller! We could even end the year with no shortfall! Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity.



Our second unit, Hope ended on December 19th. We are taking a few weeks break, and will start our third unit on January 9th --Welcome All. This unit will go through the end of January. For those Adults who placed an order, your January Reflection Guide should be received in the near future. Once received, an email will be sent to you regarding pickup and payment (if you haven't already paid). **Please use this link to reserve future guides at \$8.00 copy <https://forms.gle/HnAUDV7gcvgxYEhU6> or scan this bar code:**



ANNUAL REPORT

Attention committee chairs

It is that time of the year and your reports are needed for the annual report. Your report needs to be turned into Diane Yettaw on or before January 9th, 2022 to allow time for the report to be updated, printed, and distributed to the members for review before the annual meeting on January 30th.

Thank You



Christmas Joy Offering:
Supporting Past, Present, and Future Leaders

The Christmas Joy Offering has been a cherished Presbyterian tradition since the 1930s. The Offering distributes gifts equally to the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions and to Presbyterian-related schools and colleges equipping communities of color. The Assistance Program provides critical financial support to church workers and their families. Presbyterian-related schools and colleges provide education and leadership development while nurturing racial and ethnic heritage. This has been a Presbyterian commitment for nearly 140 years.

ENVELOPES ARE ON THE USHER'S TABLE

MEMORIALS/DONATIONS



The **EMERGENCY SOUP KITCHEN** fund received a donation Debbie Berg

The **SOUP KITCHEN** fund received a donation from First United Methodist Church

The **MEMORIAL FUND** received a donation in memory of Jan Van Ausdal from Steve & Lori Kerns and from Susan Lee.

The **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY FUND** received a donation from Diane Hack in recognition of her 60 years on December 10, 2021 as a member of First Presbyterian Church, Michigan City.

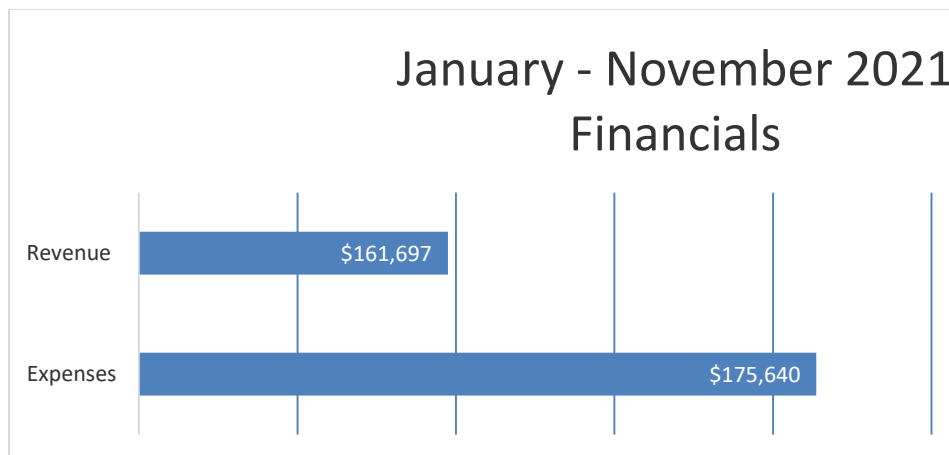
Thank you for your kindness!

WORSHIP & MUSIC NEEDS YOUR HELP

After service on January 2, 2022 please stick around to help tear down and put away the Christmas decorations. PLEASE PLEASE considering helping with this task.

Thank you
Worship & Music

FINANCIALS





*Wishes for a blessed
Holiday Season*

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Prayer Chain



For prayer requests
Contact Brian Spiece at
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[Link to schedule appointment with Pastor Ericka:](#)

<https://calendly.com/pastorericka/60min?month=2020-09>

YouTube - First Presbyterian Church Michigan City

Facebook - First Presbyterian Church Michigan City

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