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## Office Hours

The office is open from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Volunteers will staff our front desk from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday.

## All-Church Prayer

*Lord, like the light breaking through our windows,  
break through our resistance to change,  
show us the new things you want to do through First Presbyterian Church,  
and empower us to embrace new opportunities. Amen.*



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**  
CHURCH OF TOPEKA  
Loving God, loving neighbors, and living with purpose

*All are  
welcome!*

# THIS WEEK AT FPC

### Sunday, January 18

**Usher Team 4**

**Nursery Open**

8:30 a.m. Worship Service, Chapel  
9:30 a.m. Donuts & Discussion, Library  
9:30 a.m. Good News Disciples  
10:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary/Online  
3:00 p.m. NA Group in Willard Hall  
4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer

### Monday, January 19

**Office Closed - MLK Day**

4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer

### Tuesday, January 20

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer  
5:15 p.m. Budget Work Group

### Wednesday, January 21

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Conf. Rm.  
9:30 a.m. Neighborhood Ministries  
Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer  
7:30 p.m. 12 Step in Willard Hall

### Thursday, January 22

4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer  
6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal  
8:00 p.m. NA Group in Willard Hall

### Friday, January 23

**Pastors' Day Off**

11:00 a.m. FoodShare  
4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer

### Saturday, January 24

9:00 a.m. Faith and Flour  
1:00 p.m. Faith and Flour  
4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer

### Sunday, January 25

**Usher Team 5**

**Nursery Open**

8:30 a.m. Worship Service, Chapel  
9:30 a.m. Donuts & Discussion, Library  
9:30 a.m. Good News Disciples  
10:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary/Online  
11:30 a.m. All-Church Soup Lunch  
3:00 p.m. NA Group in Willard Hall  
4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer

## Welcome to FPC!

Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome here! Please fill out a Connection Card (in pew backs) and place it in the offering plate or hand it to a pastor. We also have a small visitor bag for you. If you're not given one by an usher, please select a blue gift bag at any of the entrances into the sanctuary. We're so glad you are here!

## In Our Prayers

**Joys:** Session strategic planning retreat, welcoming Becky Foster as the temporary Transitional Coordinator for Sunday children's activities, welcoming new neighbors Schmidlein & Associates, new youth in Youth Group

**Concerns:** Susan Mayer, Mark Alexander, Melba Banion, Jason Carmichael (son of Bob and Pam Carmichael), Kay Wischropp

## Upcoming Office Closures

The church office will be closed on Monday, January 19, 2026, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

## All-Church Soup Lunch - Next Sunday, January 25

The Fellowship Team will be hosting an all-church soup lunch January 25 at 11:30 a.m. in Willard Hall. Please plan to join us for delicious chili, and homemade baked potato and chicken noodle soups. A variety of cakes will be served for dessert. Hope to see you there!

## Souper Bowl of Caring - Sunday, February 8

Help us collect canned goods to give to Doorstep. Whether it is one can, a couple of cans, or even a whole pallet, you CAN make a difference for those in need! Can't donate canned goods but want to contribute? We are accepting monetary donations; all proceeds going to Doorstep.

## Super Bowl Subs

Even if the Chiefs are not in the Super Bowl, it's still fun to watch the big game (or the commercials). No matter why you tune in to the big game you can't do it without food! Our youth are once again expecting sub orders! Fill out the order and don't forget to write your name on the order form!

## Faith and Flour - Saturday, January 25

There are only a few spots left for Faith and Flour. We will be baking dill, onion, rye, and wheat bread! The bread is perfect for sandwiches, buttered, or with a bowl of soup. Please sign up by Monday, January 19!

## Star Words

Didn't get a Star Word? We have extras available at the front desk. Don't forget to reflect on your word and how you can live into your word throughout this year.

## Wanted: New Elders and Deacons

The Representative Nominating Committee will soon begin its work of discerning and calling new officers for the class of 2029. If you or someone you know would make a good elder or deacon please let us know! Officers will be elected at our annual meeting of the congregation on February 22.

## Dinners for Eight

Do you enjoy dining with friends? Do you want to get to know more of your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ better? If so, sign up for our FPC Dinners for Eight. This is a fellowship opportunity for groups of eight to gather for dinner in a home (with all sharing in providing the food) or dining out as a group in a restaurant (where each pays for their own meal).

One person or couple will be designated as the group's convener.

It is their responsibility to organize the first gathering. Everyone is invited to be a part of this fun fellowship opportunity. If you are new to FPC, or if you have been around for years, this is a wonderful opportunity to begin new friendships.

For questions, please call or email Norma Pettijohn (785-272-3955 home or 785-845-9349, npett4@aol.com) or Patty Foster (785-231-4204, djpmfoster@cox.net).