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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.*



*All are  
welcome!*

# THIS WEEK AT FPC

## Sunday, May 17

**Usher Team 5**

**Nursery Open**

**Treven on Vacation**

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. A for Alabaster class - conf. rm.
- 9:30 a.m. Good News Disciples
- 9:30 a.m. Donuts and Discussion
- 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, May 18

- 1:00 p.m. Topeka Festival Singers  
Interviews - Library
- 4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer
- 5:30 p.m. Joint Deacons and Session  
Meeting

## Tuesday, May 19

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting
- 4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer

## Wednesday, May 20

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Conf. Rm.
- 9:30 a.m. Neighborhood Ministry  
Meeting
- 11:00 a.m. Strategic Planning Team  
- Knox Room
- 4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer
- 7:30 p.m. 12 Step in Willard Hall

## Thursday, May 21

- 4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer
- 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

## Friday, May 22

**Pastor's Day Off**

**Treven on Vacation**

- 11:00 a.m. FoodShare
- 12:30 p.m. Office Closing
- 4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer

## Saturday, May 23

**Treven on Vacation**

- 4:00 p.m. Pause for FPC Prayer

## Sunday, May 24

**Usher Team 1**

**Treven on Vacation**

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. A for Alabaster class - conf. rm.
- 9:30 a.m. Donuts and Discussion
- 10:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary/Online
- 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:** Joyful year of Good News Disciples, celebrating our devoted nursery workers Samantha and Maresella

**Concerns:** Kathy Van Abel, Beth Watson, Steve LaMont (brother in-law of Lee Cook), Rosemary Menninger, Camille Schoettlin, Jason Carmichael (son of Bob and Pam Carmichael), Kay Wischropp, Bob Bark (online community), members of the 190th Air Refueling Wing and their families, the staff of Heartland Center

## A is for Alabaster

Our newest Sunday morning class, *A is for Alabaster*, is up and running! We still have a few books available at the front desk for purchase for \$12. With so much travel happening in the summer, feel free to jump in anytime. Here's our schedule for the next four weeks:

**May 17:** E is for Esther, F is for Fish, G is for Goliath, H is for Habakkuk

**May 24:** I is for Israel, J is for Joseph, K is for King Solomon

**May 31:** L is for Lament, M is for Memory, N is for Naomi

**June 7:** O is for Olive Leaf, P is for Puah, Q is for Queen of Sheba

## Rummage Sale - Volunteers Needed

FPC will be having a rummage sale on June 2 through June 4. The purpose of this sale is to get rid of the equipment and items left behind by TDC when they closed. We are in need of volunteers to help with the sale! Please be on the lookout for volunteer sign-up sheets when they become available!

## Reminder: NAMETAGS

Please remember to wear your nametag on Sunday mornings and for other all-church events. This is a big help for our newer members and visitors. If you have misplaced your nametag or do not have one yet, please request one by contacting Treven Broxterman in the church office: [tbroxterman@fpctopeka.org](mailto:tbroxterman@fpctopeka.org). You do NOT need to be a member to have a nametag.

## Wear Red for Pentecost

Sunday, May 24, is Pentecost. Please wear **RED** to worship as we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church.

## Family Movie Night - June 6

The Children and Families Ministry Team is hosting a family movie night in Willard Hall on June 6 from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. We will be watching the animated movie *David*. We will also have pizza, popcorn, and drinks. Don't miss the fun! Please sign up to attend using the sign-up sheet in Disciples Hall .

## Children's Ministry Update

We have had a wonderful year with Good News Disciples! A big thank you to Ron Cook and Roger Basinger for their leadership of this class following Herman's retirement. Our last Sunday before our summer break is today, May 17. This is also the last day our nursery will be staffed. Our nursery will be available throughout the summer, but not staffed. Parents are welcome to take their small children to the nursery whenever they might need a break (please put toys away when you are done). We will also have some special tables and coloring activities set up for little ones in the sanctuary.

## Departing Pastors

Excerpt from the guidelines of our presbytery's Commission on Ministry:  
*When a pastor resigns from a pastorate, retires from service, or becomes Pastor Emerita/us, that minister shall no longer perform pastoral functions such as weddings, baptisms, funerals, hospital visitation, or counseling. Active or inactive church members shall not request a former pastor to perform pastoral duties. If requested, the pastor shall tactfully decline. On occasion, the pastor or moderator may, with the approval of session/council, invite the former pastor to perform such duties.*

## Heartland Center Traveling Day Camp - July 20-24

Trinity Presbyterian Church (4746 SW 21st St, Topeka, KS) is hosting a day camp from Monday, July 20, to Friday, July 24, for kids that have completed kindergarten through completed sixth grade. The cost of the camp is \$75. Spots are limited so sign up today! Please call Trinity Presbyterian at 785-272-2620, or email [office@trinitypresbyterian.net](mailto:office@trinitypresbyterian.net).