

First Presbyterian Church
TOWER TIDINGS

June 2023



Presbyterian Women Joint Circle Salad Supper will be held on Tuesday, June 6th at 6 p.m. at Tam Abbott's Residence (1201 N. State St.).

Friday lunch on June 9th will be held at the Bement Health Care Center (601 N. Morgan St.) to visit Madolyn Walden. Meet at 11:30 a.m. Bring a drink and lunch.



Father's Day Breakfast E&F is planning a Father's Day Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, June 18, from 9:00-10:00 a.m. There is nothing for you to bring except yourself! E&F will be supplying all of the food and drinks. There will be a sign up sheet in the overflow room for the next few Sundays to gauge attendance. Come help us celebrate all of our Dad's!

Piatt County Ecumenical Food Pantry: With the end of the school year and summer arriving, area food banks experience an annual slowdown in donations that provide important help to local seniors and families with low incomes. The Piatt County Ecumenical Food Pantry is housed in and hosted by the Monticello United Methodist Church. (see their website at MonticelloUMC.com/food-pantry) As a longtime supporter and partner with PCE Food Pantry, our congregation regularly contributes to their mission. Please consider making an extra food contribution or monetary donation to the Food Pantry at this time to help people in need across Piatt County. Checks can be written to "Piatt County Ecumenical Food Pantry" and either delivered or mailed to the United Methodist Church at 2020 East Washington, Monticello, IL 61856. Online gifts are also accepted at their website (see above).

Summer Office Hours - Sarah will be in the office starting the week of June 5th - Tuesday through Thursday: 9 a.m. - Noon. This will be the office hours until Labor Day.

Kemmerer Village Orchard - FPC has donated \$1,000 this month to Kemmerer Village for the KV Orchard. A little more info regarding the orchard: After 109 years, Kemmerer Village continues to grow! The childcare organization has deepened its roots and planted an orchard. A groundbreaking ceremony for Dr. Doyle and Linda Slifer Orchard took place on the 60-acre campus near Assumption, Illinois April 21, 2023. With the help of The Green Works, Kemmerer Village is planting up to 100 fruit trees! The first phase is 32 fruit trees, 11 Fuji apples, 11 Honey Crisp, and 10 Peach trees. These trees have been sponsored in honor of loved ones and churches.

VBS - FPC's Vacation Bible School will be on Friday July 14th and Saturday July 15th from 2-5pm. The Theme will be *All Things Bright and Beautiful*.

Saturday we will go to the Methodist church where Jean Holmes will tell us more about the food pantry, directly after we will walk over to Clean Movement (at Clean Movement between 5 - 7 p.m. - pizza dinner).

Volunteering: We could use snack donations, volunteers to come help, people to take boxes and posters about food donation to businesses around town. **Food collection:** Kids will be collecting items for the food pantry for VBS this year, if they would like to donate items. There will

also be boxes and flyers for local businesses, to encourage community involvement. Have them be on the lookout for boxes and flyers that they can help distribute mid to late June.



City of Monticello Summer Singers: Open to singers of all ranges and skill levels, 18 and older. Rehearsing Thursdays, 6:30 - 8 p.m. Rehearsals begin Thursday, June 8th.

Mary Martha Circle - Mary Martha bible study will not be meeting June - August. We will resume meeting in September. Have a great Summer!

Presbytery Commissioner - Session is looking for members that would be interested in being Presbytery Commissioner. Responsibilities would include attending 6 meetings per year and reporting back to session on anything new happening within the Presbytery. If a few members volunteer the meetings could be split up. Contact Chelsea Hartman if interested or if you have any questions.

Photo from May's visit with Madolyn Walden





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Sarah out of the office	2 12 Noon Lunch @ FPC	3
4 10 am Worship Communion	5	6 6 pm PW Salad Supper @ Tam Abbott's	7 9 am Dove	8 8 pm TN Group	9 11:30 am Lunch @ Bement HC - visit Madolyn	10
11 10 am Worship	12	13	14	15 8 pm TN Group	16 12 Noon Lunch @ FPC	17
18 Father's Day 9 am Pancake Breakfast 10 am Worship Guest Pastor	19 Juneteenth	20	21	22 8 pm TN Group	23 12 Noon Lunch @ FPC	24
25 10 am Worship Guest Pastor	26	27	28 TT Due	29 8 pm TN Group	30 12 Noon Lunch @ FPC	