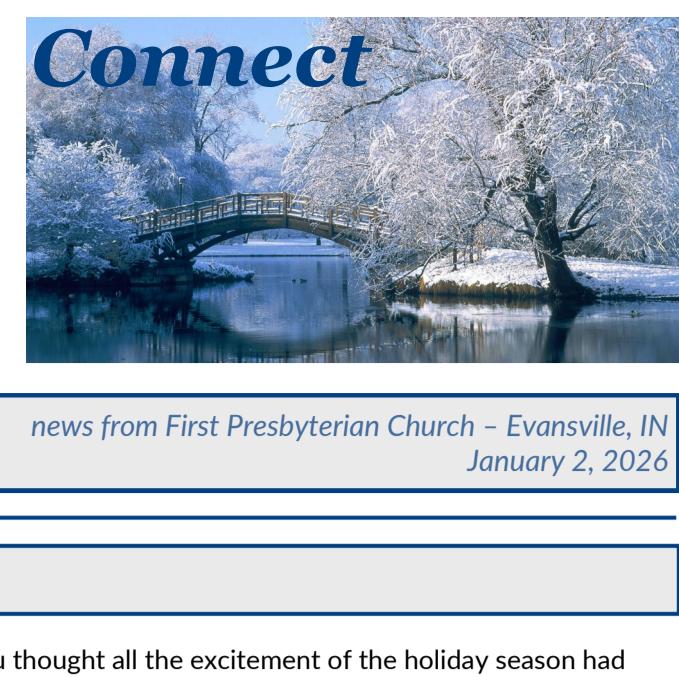


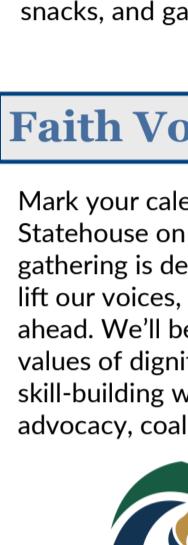


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January 2, 2026

This Sunday

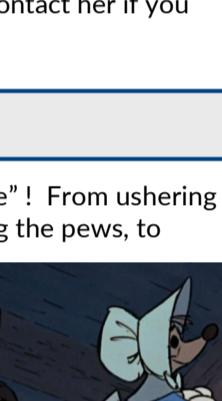


Just when you thought all the excitement of the holiday season had come and gone...they arrive...the Maji! During this season of Epiphany, we'll consider gifts that keep on giving. This week, we hear of the arrival of the maji from the east, who bring *Unexpected Gifts* to the child.

Join us in person or online! Live Stream links and the bulletin are available on the First Pres [website](#).

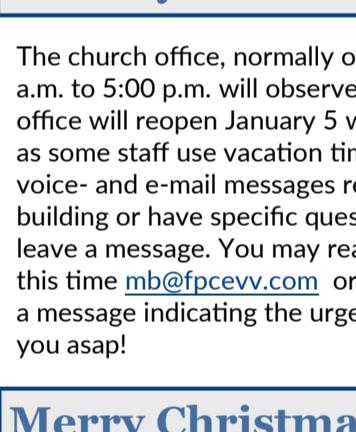
First Light @ Player Two

First Light, our group for Junior and Senior High aged youth, will gather on Sunday, January 4 from 5:30 to 7:00 at High Score Player Two (2814 Mt. Vernon Avenue, Evansville) for an evening of fun, snacks, and games! (Parents: drop off and pick up at Player Two)



Faith Voices for Justice

Mark your calendar for *Faith in the Face of Fear*, a rally and workshop day at the Indiana Statehouse on January 8. In a moment when many are feeling anxious or isolated, this gathering is designed to bring people together across traditions - and beyond them - to lift our voices, learn practical tools, and strengthen the courage we need for the work ahead. We'll begin with a public rally at the Statehouse to ground our day in shared values of dignity, justice, and hope. Following the rally, participants can join a series of skill-building workshops led by community partners, offering practical strategies for advocacy, coalition-building, and care for our neighbors.



Whether you're part of a congregation, a campus, a community group, or simply someone who wants to help, you are welcome. Bring friends, colleagues, and questions. Come to connect, be inspired, and leave with concrete next steps and new partners. Details, schedule, and accessibility information are available at infaithvoicesforjustice.org.

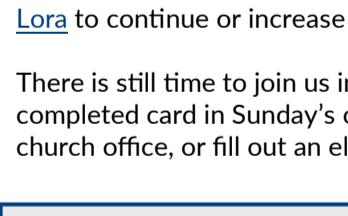
"I Can Do That!"

As we move into a new year, we give thanks for all our "church mice"! From ushering and greeting, to making coffee on Sunday mornings, to straightening the pews, to alphabetizing the nametags and more, these folks have done and continue to do so many small but important tasks around First Pres. And new "church mice" are always welcomed **and needed!** If you are looking for a way to give your time on a routine or occasional basis, contact the [church office](#) with the note "I Can Do That!" (firstpres@fpcevv.com; 812-423-6297) Your offer of time is deeply appreciated!



One Church Forum

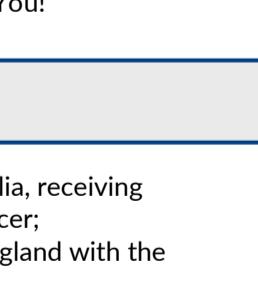
As part of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day events at the University of Evansville, local faith leaders are coming together for a "One Church Forum" on Sunday, January 18, 4:00 p.m. in Shanklin Theater on the UE Campus.



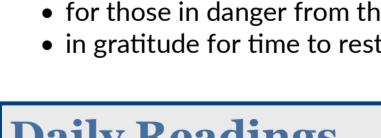
The afternoon is designed as a space for leaders to come together in pursuit of greater unity across the Church in our city. The desire is to gather staff and volunteer leaders, small group and ministry leaders, intercessors, justice and outreach leaders, and emerging leaders, those who love our city, serve faithfully, and carry responsibility within different expressions of the Church. Together, the goal is to seek God side by side, listen well, and contend for what God desires to do among us.

Holiday Office Hours

The church office, normally open Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. will observe holiday hours into January. The office will reopen January 5 with somewhat unpredictable hours as some staff use vacation time. Designated staff will monitor voice- and e-mail messages remotely. If you need access to the building or have specific questions, please contact us by email or leave a message. You may reach out to Pastor MB directly during this time mb@fpcevv.com or 812-872-4882 (voice or text) - leave a message indicating the urgency of your need. She'll get back to you asap!



Merry Christmas and Thank You!



Thank you to everyone who gave to the Christmas Eve offering at Wednesday's worship service. The entire offering is going to the Tri-State Food Bank, which is improving the quality of life for our community's insecure families and children by providing adequate food and nutrition through our network of local charities and organizations feeding the hungry. Our Christmas Eve collection of over \$2,000 will be doubled by a matching gift at the Food Bank. Thank you for your generosity!

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