



First
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This Sunday

This Sunday, we explore what it means to live a life worthy of the gospel of Jesus Christ, especially when it is hard to look past ourselves and our troubles. Our readings come from Matthew's parable of the Workers in the Vineyard and Paul's letter to the Philippians. Join us in person or online for Wide Awake Worship in Fellowship Hall at 8:30 a.m. and for Sanctuary Worship at 10:30 a.m. Live Stream links and the bulletin are available on the First Pres [website](#).



Get Out The Vote - Saturday



The League of Women Voters of Southwestern Indiana, in partnership with the NAACP, is holding A Get Out The Vote (GOTV) postcard writing party on Saturday, September 19 in First Presbyterian's Fellowship Hall from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Come and write a postcard inviting others to vote in this election. This is a non-partisan event and is intended to reach those who have historically not cast a ballot. Postcards, pens, and postage will be provided. There will be suggested scripts to write, or you can use your own message. Come for the entire time or just drop in for the amount of time that works for you.

First Light - Sunday Night!

First Light Youth Group welcomes all teens in 6th-12th grades this Sunday evening. Meeting from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. on the first and third Sunday evenings of the month, First Light is a place where everyone is welcomed and celebrated.. Click [HERE](#) to let us know you're interested in participating or just come along on Sunday!



Lunch and Learn

The Mission Committee invites you to lunch with them! Bring your lunch (beverages provided) on Monday, September 21 at 11:30 a.m. for an informative presentation by Elizabeth Arnold, Director of Outpatient Services at Southwestern Behavioral Healthcare, as she shares how Southwestern is making a difference in the lives of individuals and families throughout our community. Learn about the mental health services that Southwestern provides, the impact of the Friends of Mental Health program in supporting quality care, and what it means to have a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) in the area. This is a wonderful opportunity to gain insight into available resources and reduce stigma surrounding mental health.



Blessing of the Animals

We will celebrate the annual Blessing of the Animals service on Sunday, September 27 at both morning services! This year, we are also offering an opportunity to have your animal companion photographed with Santa! Those wishing a photo are asked to bring a pet food item to be donated to the food pantry at Patchwork Central.



World Communion Offering

What does the Lord require of you?

...to love kindness Micah 6:8

World Communion Offering has been a catalyst for love for over 75 years. Every gift makes a difference in the life of the most vulnerable of God's people. We are the Church, together.



Please give generously on October 4 - when we all do a little, it adds up to a lot!

We Make the Road



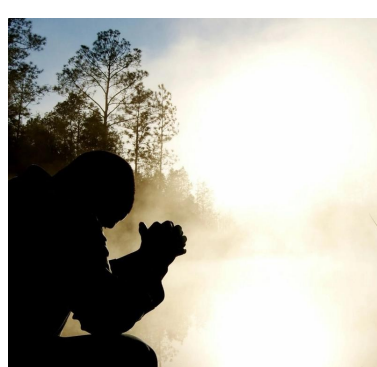
A new year of *We Make the Road* discussion groups has begun! Groups will meet on Sunday mornings, Tuesday evenings, and Wednesday lunch and evening. Whether you are returning or joining the group for the very first time, you are invited to experience the spark of life that comes when we engage with our faith, wrestle with our doubts, and share our human stories. Please [click here](#) to sign up for the 2026-27 journey.

Singing Resistance

Singing Resistance - Evansville meets at First Pres September 13, 20, and 27 at 7:00 p.m. This is a non-partisan, primarily non-religious gathering of folks who are troubled by the direction of our state and national government who feel led to gather in community to sing and to be ready to sing out in the community when circumstances arise where peaceful, sung protest might be effective. All are welcome. Our next community concert (here at First Pres) will be the Sunday afternoon following the election: *We the People - No Matter What!*



Prayer Requests



- for Brian, as they search for the right doctor to treat his disc/neck problems;
- for the participants of the new PW Bible study;
- for Zola, as she continues her health battle;
- for traveling mercies;
- for a grandmother, preparing for surgery and rehab following a shoulder injury;
- for Chelsea and her two boys, as they navigate a difficult time;
- for relief from neck and back pain;
- for those who are grieving;
- in gratitude for a bountiful garden.

More News(letter)!

Have you ever misplaced your printed *First Reports*? Us, too! Did you know that it's also available on the [church website](#)? Click the link below for a copy of the current issue that you can read online or print out and put on your refrigerator.

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<https://fpcevv.com/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/jul-26.pdf>

Daily Readings



Taking time for a daily devotional can be a meaningful addition to a faith journey. The link below will take you to the PC(USA)'s website, which offers multiple readings for every day. The readings that you will see immediately when you click the link will be for the current day, but you can pick readings for a specific day, print out readings, and sign up for a daily email of lectionary readings.

<https://pcusa.org/daily/devotion>

Items to be considered for inclusion in Connect should be submitted to the church office by the Wednesday prior to publication. Please contact the church office at 812-423-6297 or firstpres@fpcevv.com with comments, questions, or to unsubscribe.