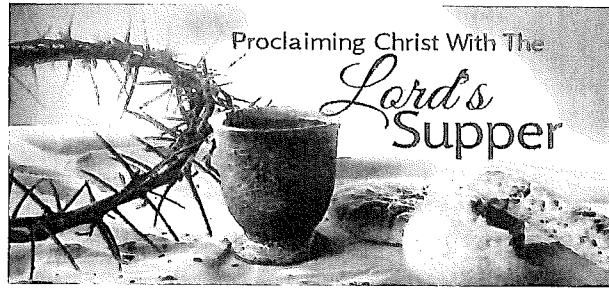
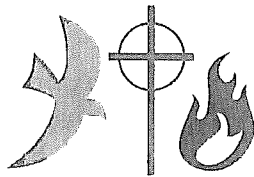


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July/Aug  
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The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated on Sunday,  
 July 7 and August 4



**WORSHIP COMMITTEE**

During the Summer season at First Presbyterian Church, Glendale there are several items to make note of in your planning. Currently, Sunday worship services are being held in the Church House. Soon, if not already happening, our historic pipe organ will be receiving attention that has been long overdue. There will be a thorough cleaning of the separate console and pipe elements of the organ. Repair needs that are discovered will be addressed at this time. Also in need of repair are plaster ceiling and walls adjacent to the organ pipes----all located directly above the Kite Room. This repair time has been long in coming. Thus, many things throughout the Sanctuary will be protected with drop cloths for an indefinite period. When we do return to the Sanctuary this fall we'll enjoy all the benefits of a refurbished pipe organ.

We have tentatively set some dates for outdoor worship. They are: 7/7, 8/11 and 8/25. Of course, these dates will be subject to our ever-changing weather. Should we have a change of venue for worship this information will be shared via email in as timely a manner as possible. Please invite a neighbor or friend to join you at outdoor worship Sunday—bring a lawn chair and a water bottle. Have a wonderful summer!

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# *From the Minister's Desk*

In last month's devotional, I proposed that for most of us, summer is an opportunity to slow down and take a deep breath from activities and goings on of family, church, and community that are typical of those months between Labor Day and Memorial Day. That this congregation which does so much for so many allows for a bit of sabbath is a tremendous gift.

If this season is an occasion to reclaim some time for ourselves, for rest and renewal, what might we do with ourselves? I would advance again the suggestion that our aim could be simply cultivating gratitude for the present moment, the good things, and the blessings and bright spots of life in this world.

Robert Walsh in *Noisy Stones* writes: *"I heard the Second Brandenburg Concerto played in honor of Bach's 300th birthday, and I was swept away. I remembered a story about people who send messages into outer space. Someone suggested sending a piece by Bach. The reply was, 'But that would be bragging.' Some say we get what we deserve in life, but I don't believe it. We certainly don't deserve Bach. What have I done to deserve the Second Brandenburg Concerto? I have not been kind enough; I have not done enough justice; I have not loved my neighbor, or myself, sufficiently; I have not praised God enough to have earned a gift like this. Life is a gift we have not earned and for which we cannot pay. There is no necessity that there be a universe, no inevitability*

*about a world moving toward life and then self-consciousness. There might have been . . . nothing at all. Since we have not earned Bach - or crocuses or lovers - the best we can do is express our gratitude for the undeserved gifts, and do our share of the work of creation."*

The notion of grace is at the heart of the Protestant way of being Christian. Everything we are, all we have, and especially the free gift of God's saving love, the love that comes to us in the person and work of Jesus, is pure grace; unexpected, unmerited, unearned.

As we move through this summer season, whether in response to Bach or the beach, to crocuses or coffee cake, I trust you will find occasion for thanks and wonder at God's gifts of life and love.



Items for the **September** edition of the newsletter are accepted in the church office through **Monday, August 22.**

Early submissions are joyfully accepted!

*Submitted information will be edited for clarity, accuracy, and length.*





If you need a ride to church or a doctor's appointment, give a call to one of our Deacons. If you know of someone in our congregation who needs our support, let us know. Contact Susan sams@fuse.net or 513-324-5932.



# FINANCE REPORT

May 2024

	<i>Month ending</i>	<i>Year to Date</i>	<i>Budget Year To Date</i>
Income	\$4,451.00	\$139,577.11	\$159,179.44
Expense	\$18,183.10	\$177,790.57	\$192,168.81
Net Income	-\$13,732.10	-\$38,213.46	-\$32,989.37



*Meet the Staff*

**the Rev. Jeffrey**

**Carolyn**  
Administrative Assistant

**Amy**  
Director of Music and Organist

**Kate**  
Choir Director and Vocalist

**Phoebe**  
Videographer

**Clara**  
Vocalist

**Logan**  
Section Leader

## In our thoughts & prayers

Charlie  
William  
Levi  
Donald  
David  
Susan  
Bill

Kathy's mother and family

Kristine  
Marybeth

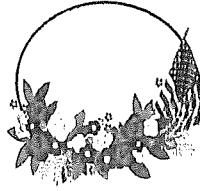
Mary and Cru mission team

Gene  
Wally



# Women's Book Club

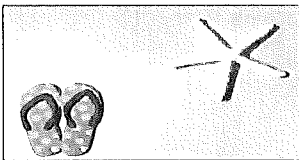
All women are invited to gather in the church library with your favorite morning beverage at 10:00AM. The books for the next few months are ...



Wednesday, July 10

*Have a Little Faith*  
by Mitch Albom

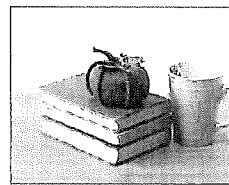
A book about life's purposes; about losing belief and finding it again; about the divine spark inside us all. It is one man's journey, but it is everyone's story.



Wednesday, August 14

*Warrior of the Light*  
by Paulo Coelho

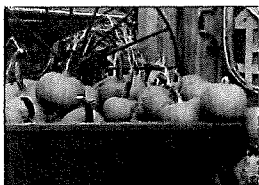
In his own unique way, Paulo Coelho helps bring out the Warrior of the Light within each of us. He also shows readers how to embark upon the way of the Warrior: the one who appreciates the miracle of being alive, the one who accepts failure, and the one whose quest leads him to become the person he wants to be.



Wednesday, September 11

*The Nature of Fragile Things*  
by Susan Meissner

The fate of three women intertwined on the even of the devastating earthquake in San Francisco (April 18, 1906), thrusting them into a perilous journey that will test their resiliency, resolve, and their belief that love can overcome fear.



Wednesday, October 9

*The Girl with the Gallery*  
by Lindsay Pollock

In 1926, an era when American artists didn't count and women were expected to stay home, Edith Gregor Halpert bursts onto the fledgling New York gallery scene, defying all cultural and societal rules. Lindsay Pollock brings Halpert and her era vividly back to life, tracing the story of how this remarkable woman, who started out a penniless Jewish immigrant, made it her mission to fight for American art and artists.

# Mission in *Motion*...



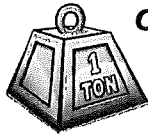
Saturday, June 15 was a good day for the First Presbyterian Church of Glendale our Fill the Square with Food event was very successful.

We collected 1,998 pounds—of food, personal care items, and cleaning products for the Valley Interfaith Community Resource Center. We also received \$880.00 in cash and checks.

Our sincere thanks to all of you who helped make this day successful!

Once again, Dave put his special skills to work organizing Fill the Glendale Village Square with Food. He certainly knows how to get it done successfully. Thank you Dave!

*Addendum: 7/2 Dave and Brad delivered another 35lbs. to Valley. Our total for June is 2033 lbs. Slightly over One Ton. Not bad for our little Church in The Valley.*



## Upcoming Events

July 17 Dinner at Montgomery Inn  
August 21 Fellowship Picnic, Lyceum  
September 21 Golf outing

## Visit to Valley

Committee Members will be visiting Valley Interfaith to see their renovations and learn more about the services available there as well as meet John Keuffer, CEO.

## Contributions Approved

One Great Hour of Sharing	\$200.00
Church World Service The Blanket Fund	\$150.00
Christmas Joy Offering	\$150.00
Presbytery Council for Chaplains and Military Personnel	\$175.00

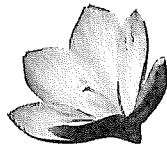
## Valley Volunteers

The Valley Council is in great need of Volunteers. If you are interested and have time to share, please give them a call for more information. 513-270-5894

# Birthdays and Anniversaries

## July

Norman ..... 1  
 Barbara and Craig ..... 3  
 Charlotte and James ..... 4



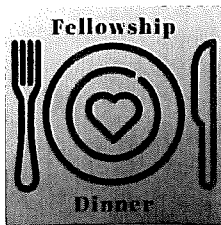
## August

Jeffrey ..... 4  
 Carol ..... 12  
 Diane ..... 12  
 Bob ..... 12  
*Linda and Tom* ..... 12  
*Mary and Craig* ..... 17  
 Carol ..... 19  
 Karen ..... 19  
 Bob ..... 19  
 Mike ..... 19  
*Carol and Bill* ..... 20  
*Jackie and Dick* ..... 26



*All men* are invited to gather for lunch at Gold Star on Springfield Pike in Springdale, Wednesday, July 10 *and* again on Wednesday, August 14

Fellowship begins when you arrive; lunch begins at 12:30PM.



Fellowship Dinner on Wednesday, July 17 @ 6:00PM

*You* are invited to gather at Montgomery Inn (Montgomery) for good food, fellowship and fun. See the sign up sheet on the Church House bulletin board.

# UPCOMING *Events*

More details to come

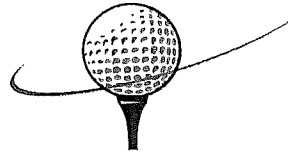


## **Church Picnic**

Wednesday, August 21; 6:00PM-8:00PM

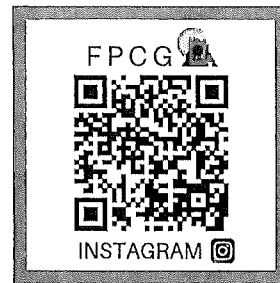
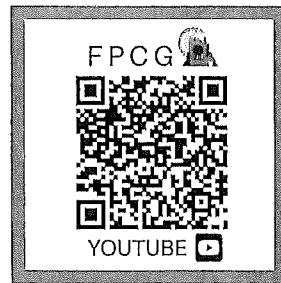
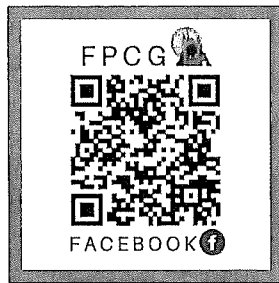
We will cater a delicious summer meal.

## **Fall Classic Golf Outing** Saturday, September 21



## **Kirking of the Tartans** Sunday, September 29





The Church website has links to the congregation's social media accounts. You can find us on Facebook, YouTube and Instagram at [www.firstpresbyterianglendale.org](http://www.firstpresbyterianglendale.org) or by clicking on the QR codes above with your smartphone camera.

It is free to join and subscribe to social media. If you need help please contact the church office for assistance.

Shared with you in Christian love

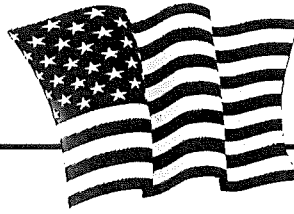
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**Church Office hours**

Monday 9:00AM-3:00PM      Tuesday 9:00AM-1:00PM  
Wednesday 9:00AM-1:00PM      Thursday 9:00AM-3:00PM  
**JULY 4—CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**



# July



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	<p>1 2pm—Squirrely Stitchers</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 Church Office Closed</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>
<p>7 10am—Worship Outdoors-WP</p>	<p>8 3pm—Mission Mtg</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 10am—Women’s Book Club  12:30pm—Men’s Lunch</p>	<p>11 10am—Yoga</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>
<p>14 10am—Worship Church House</p>	<p>15 2pm—Squirrely Stitchers  Annual reports due</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 6pm—Fellowship Dinner @ Montgomery Inn <b>9440 Montgomery Rd, Cincinnati, OH 45242</b></p>	<p>18 10am—Yoga</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>
<p>21 10am—Worship Outdoors-WP</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>
<p>28 10am—Worship Church House</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>			

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# August



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4 10am—Worship Outdoors-WP	5 2pm—Squirrely Stickers	6	7	8	9	10
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18 10am—Worship Outdoors-WP	19 10am—Deacon Mtg 2pm—Squirrely Stickers  Newsletter items due	20	21 6pm—Fellowship Picnic @ Lyceum	22	23	24
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