

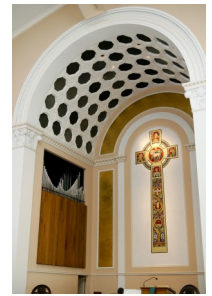


First Presbyterian Church

Sharing with and Caring for Each Other

This Week

August 27 thru September 3, 2023



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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday thru Friday,
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

August 29 Nikki Piiparinen

August 30 Jeffrey Barnard

We pray for those undergoing health difficulties:

Barbara, Jennifer, Elise, John, Alice, Dorothy, Pat, Bob, Sue, Barbara, Sherrie, Amy, Jamie, William, Fred M., Josh L., Shirley

We pray for those who mourn:

The family of Tom Eager

We pray for those who are unable to join us in-person:

Linda, Shane, Ed, Millie, Gerda, Annie

We pray for our mission partners:

Tyler, Rochelle, and Mphatso, Grace, Sam, and Ruth, MELT, The Women of Grace, NNY Presbytery, Synod of The Northeast, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

We pray for our local and national leaders:

Watertown's Mayor and City Council, The U.S. President and Congress, The New York Governor & State Legislature.

We pray for those serving our nation:

The Wright Family, those in conflict in Ukraine

Connecting to Our Community and the World

First Presbyterian is blessed to provide space for several community-based ministries and programs. All are open to members of the church and community and meet on the following days:

Al-Anon, 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Fellowship Hall

Alcoholics Anonymous - First Watertown Group, 8:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

The Spare Closet, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Tuesdays &

Thursdays and the 1st Saturday of each month, Basement.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRES.

Today, August 27th, 10:00 a.m. - Worship, with Rev. Long, preaching
- Fellowship after Worship in Fellowship Hall.
- Open Table, 5:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Menu: pulled pork sandwich, coleslaw, pickle, acini de pepe salad

Tuesday, August 29th – Staff Meeting, 12 noon

Today, August 27th, 10:00 a.m. - Worship, with Rev. Long, preaching
- Fellowship after Worship in Fellowship Hall.

**Deadline for articles for Sept.-Oct. newsletter is:
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30TH!**

Please email your articles to Sue at wfpsec@gmail.com

**CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST FOR LABOR DAY WEEKEND.**

The Christian education program at First Pres has a couple of volunteer opportunities to offer. We would like to add some more Sunday school teachers to our roster. Currently teachers serve on Sunday about 6 weeks apart. We could increase that gap to every other month if we had another volunteer or two. That's only 5 Sundays a year! We do not have class on Communion Sundays.

We would also like some aides for our Sunday School classroom. During our VBS program, we had additional helpers in our sessions besides the teacher/leader. This has proven very successful and we would like to duplicate this success on Sundays. Our goal would be to have enough volunteers so each would only serve every other month. For more information or to let us know you are willing to give this a try, please contact Kim Collins, Michele Elmer or Bunny Gorman.

As a reminder, our **Sunday school begins on September 10.**