

THE BEACON

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN



AUGUST 2025

In Our Prayers

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Armed Services

Deployed & Stateside

DEAR FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

This summer has flown by! Can you believe the kids are already heading back to school and that fall is just around the corner? Before we step into a new season, let's take a moment to celebrate all the ways God has been at work among us this summer:

- •The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Grant has (mostly) been dispersed
- •Our front and westside flower beds received a beautiful refresh
- •Kids experienced the joy of Ferncliff Church Camp in Arkansas
- Our youth gathered in partnership with Trinity Episcopal
- •Summer Sunday Fundays with Trinity Episcopal were a huge success
- •PW has been hard at work preparing for Circle of Friends
- •And so much more!

As we savor these last sweet days of summer, may we recognize them as gifts from God. Truly, God has richly blessed our congregation, and it's exciting to witness the movement of the Holy Spirit in our life together.

Looking ahead, we're thrilled to announce that 5:32 PM Youth Group will officially kick off on Wednesday, September 3, 2025. Please be in continual prayer for our children and youth as they begin a new school year and program season. May God guide their steps, calm their hearts, and surround them with encouragement and protection.

In the words of Philippians 1:6 (NRSV), "I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ." May we hold fast to this promise as we step into all that's ahead.

With joy and gratitude, Rev. Katrina Richardson

WORSHIP LEADERS

Elder of the Month: Kim Bennett
Communion Leader:

Sunday, August 10

Liturgist Dennis Laughlin

Ushers Jan Harris

Billy Richardson

Sound/Video Ed Bugby

Mike Morris

Sunday, August 17

Liturgist Liberty Brown

Ushers Dennis Laughlin

Robin Ross

Sound/Video Ed Bugby

Mike Morris

Sunday, August 24

Liturgist Penny Gooch

Ushers Billy Richardson

Amy Ethridge

Sound/Video Shu Fields

Sunday, August 31

Liturgist Jan Bugby

Ushers Dennis Laughlin

Nicole Anderson

Sound/Video Mike Morris

Ed Bugby

2025 PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S MISSION QUILT RAFFLE

It's often said, "The hands of the women do the work of the church." Kim Bennett's loving hands definitely worked to complete, not one, but two, quilts for this year's Presbyterian Mission quilt raffle. Be sure to notice the artistry of the quilting!

The Presbyterian Women's group has created and raffled a quilt for the past 6 years. Those proceeds allow us to provide a helping hand to people and organizations in our community and beyond.

This year's quilt patterns are entitled "Wild Blossoms" and "Feather Rhapsody". You can purchase raffle tickets for either or both quilts!

Our local mission projects this year includes:

Brunch on Noble FUPC Youth Group

Feed My Sheep Hope House

Project 111 Wings of Hope

Tickets are \$10 each, 3 for \$20 or 16 for \$100

Cash, check or Venmo!

Checks written to PW— Write Quilt on memo

Venmo- Donna Parker — @Donna-Parker-103

The drawing will be September 27th. (You do not have to be present to win.)

Whether or not it's your lucky day and you win one of the quilts for yourself or as a gift for someone else, know your donation is helping us wrap others in warmth, love, and respect.





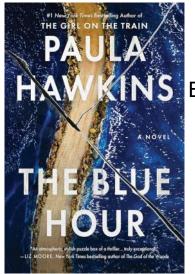


CIRCLE OF FRIENDS!

Whoop! Tickets for the 22nd Circle of Friends Benefit brunch are available and it is almost here! Mark your calendar for Sat., September 27. Doors open at 9:00 a.m. and the event begins at 9:30 a.m. This year's theme is "Counting Our Blessings" and benefits Project111.

Call, text, or email Lonnie Bobo or Donna Parker to reserve your place. Tickets are \$20 each and cash or checks written to PW or Venmo to Donna Parker. If you want to reserve an entire table, we have seating for 7, 8, 10 and 12. Hope to see you there!

AUGUST BOOK TALK!



Discussing:

"The Blue Hour" By: Paula Hawkins

Meeting:

12:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 27th In the Parlor

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SETTING A WELCOME TABLE SINCE 1889.

MISSION STATEMENT

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GUTHRIE IS A CARING FAMILY OF CHRISTIANS STRIVING TO BRING INDIVIDUALS CLOSER TO GOD THROUGH WORSHIP, EDUCATION, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP, SERVICE, PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP

RECURRING EVENTS

Mondays

1:00-4:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)

Tuesdays

1:00-6:00 p.m. Lisa's Music Studio (S)

Strings of Distinction (SR)

Wednesdays

10:15 a.m. **Holy Grounds (P)**

PW Wednesdays (D/FH/P) 11:00 a.m. 1:00-5:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)

5:32 p.m. 'Changed' Youth Group (FH)

Thursdays

11:00-5:00 p.m. Lisa's Music Studio (S)

1:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)

4:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (MR)

Fridays Lisa's Music Studio (S)

Saturdays Lisa's Music Studio (S)

10:00 a.m. **Brunch on Noble (FH)**

Sundays

9:30 a.m. Handbells (D) 9:45 a.m. Sunday School (D)

Worship Service & 10:45 a.m.

Communion on 1st Sunday

FH = FELLOWSHIP HALL D = DOWNSTAIRS

L = LIBRARYMR= Music Room

P = ParlorS = SANCTUARY

SR = SUNSHINE ROOM U = UPSTAIRS SPECIAL EVENTS / CHANGES

Tuesday, August 5

PEO Meeting (FH)

Saturday, August 9

Katrina at Tri-Presbytery Meeting

Sunday, August 10

10:45 a.m. Summer Sermon Series #1

Fruit of the Spirit (Love & Joy)

Wednesday, August 11- August 17

Katrina out of Office (Pastor's Retreat)

Sunday, August 17

10:45 a.m. Summer Sermon Series #2

Fruit of the Spirit (Peace, Patience & Kindness)

Tuesday, August 19

6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (D)

Sunday, August 24

Back to School Picnic & Ice-cream Social

Wednesday, August 27

11:30 a.m. Book Talk (P)

Monday, September 1, Labor Day

Office Closed in observance of holiday

Church Office Hours: 8:30-4:30 Monday –Thursday