



# FPC News

## June 2026

### **Sunday Worship**

10:15 am in person and  
online

**Phone 479.273.5450**

(answered Monday -  
Friday 8am - 4pm)

### **Email**

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### **Website**

[www.fpcbentonville.org](http://www.fpcbentonville.org)  
(church calendar found  
under My FPC)

### **Office Hours**

Monday - Friday  
8:00am - 4:00pm

Each week, the FPC Food  
Pantry sets up Fridays at  
9am, and is open  
Saturdays from 9-11am



## ***Here's What's Happening***

### **June 3**

FPC Night at the Naturals Baseball Game, 7:05 pm

### **June 6**

Youth Volunteering at Food Pantry, 8:30 am

### **June 7**

Adult Faith Formation, 9:00 am

Summer Children's Choir, 9:30 am

Worship with the Lord's Supper, 10:15 am

Splash Pad and Pizza Picnic, 11:30 - 1:00 pm

Youth at Sacred Shakes, 2:00 pm

### **June 12-13**

Presbytery of Arkansas Meeting, Conway

### **June 13-20**

High School Youth at Montreat

### **June 14**

Adult Faith Formation, 9:00 am

Children's Summer Choir, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:15 am

Book Signing event, 11:30 am, Library

### **June 21**

Adult Faith Formation, 9:00 am

Worship, 10:15 am

Deacon Meeting, 11:30 am

### **June 22**

Stated Session Meeting, 6:00 pm

PCUSA General Assembly begins

### **June 25**

J.O.Y. Group (Just Older Youth), 11am

### **June 28 - New Member Sunday**

Adult Faith Formation, 9:00 am

Children's Summer Choir, 9:30 am

Worship with Welcoming of New Members, 10:15 am

### **July 3**

Church office and My Friends and Me closed for  
Independence Day observance

# FPC Night at the Ballpark

**\$1 HOT DOG NIGHT**  
**FPC NIGHT AT THE  
BALLPARK**

**GATES OPEN AT 6:00 PM & GAME STARTS 7:05 PM**

**WEDNESDAY JUNE 3, 2026**

*Location: Arvest Ballpark, Springdale*

**NWA NATURALS**

**VS**

**MIDLAND ROCKHOUNDS**

**TICKETS ARE \$10 EACH**

**PLEASE CALL THE FPC BENTONVILLE  
CHURCH OFFICE WITH THE NUMBER  
OF TICKETS YOU WANT**

**#479-273-5450**

**YOU MAY PAY BY CHECK OR ONLINE AT  
[FPCBENTONVILLE.ORG/GIVING](https://fpcbentonville.org/giving)  
(SELECT "BALL GAME" FROM THE DROPDOWN)**

**TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP AT A  
TABLE BY THE ENTRANCE BEFORE THE GAME  
PARKING \$6+TAX (PAYABLE AT THE PARK)**

**ORDERING DEADLINE IS JUNE 1, 2026**

**JOIN US TO SING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM  
BEFORE THE OPENING PITCH ON THE FIELD  
ARRIVE BY 6:00 PM IF SINGING**

# Our Food Pantry and Garage Just Got a Makeover!

We are thrilled to share that our food pantry garage remodel is officially complete! Thanks to the addition of **new insulation and full climate control**, we can now safely store temperature-sensitive items year-round. This upgrade dramatically expands our capacity, keeps our volunteers comfortable, and ensures that the food we distribute remains fresh and safe.

Accessibility also got a major upgrade. We will be **widening the door to the Fellowship Hall** and installing a **brand-new ramp** to make moving food crates—and welcoming our guests—much easier and safer.

We extend a special thank you to the **NW Arkansas Food Bank** for their generous grant and **Katie McKenzie** for generously letting us use the youth room during construction. We also appreciate everyone who donated time, funds, and labor to make this vital renovation possible!

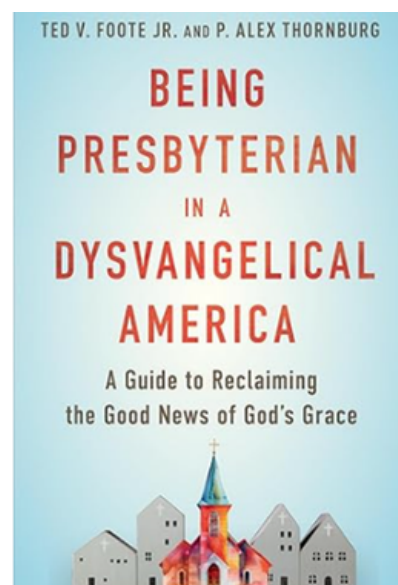


# Adult Faith Formation

**Adult Sunday School 9:00 am in the church Library**

**All are welcome**

Beginning June 7, the Adult Sunday School class will begin a new discussion series on the new book *Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America* by Ted Foote and Alex Thornburg. As Christianity is increasingly distorted in public arenas, this book encourages us to get re-grounded and honor our true faith. From the book description: "It is impossible to ignore the many loud voices who claim to speak for God with the absolute certainty and divisive rhetoric that has become the playbook for Christian nationalism. To help readers counter this overwhelming narrative, Foote and Thornburg provide an accessible, faithful alternative rooted in the core Presbyterian convictions of grace, community, humility, and ongoing reform. This is the message to speak loudly in our time: not one of fear and exclusion, but a living, evolving faith that proclaims the wide welcome of God's grace."



Participant books are available in the church office, or you may obtain your own. Pastor Georgia will kick off our first session on June 7. All are welcome!

## Men's Fellowship Group

Gather with us on Thursday, June 11, at 9:30 am in the church library. Enjoy lively stories, discussions, and prayers. Doughnuts and coffee will be provided. All are welcome.



## Summer Children's Choir

FPC Bentonville

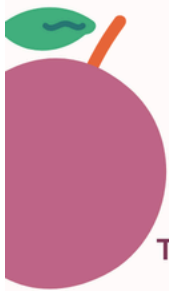
# Summer Children's Choir

Children of all ages are invited to join us for our Summer Children's Choir.

We will rehearse in the chapel on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup> before church from 9:30-10:00AM and then sing in worship on June 28<sup>th</sup>.

For more information contact Katie McKenzie (kflood@fpcbentonville.org) or Mary Weaver.

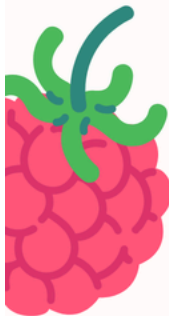
# Children's Church



## CHILDREN'S CHURCH



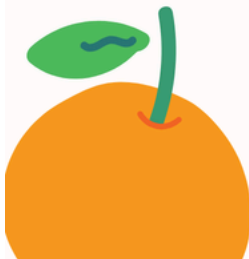
THIS SUMMER WE WILL BE LEARNING ABOUT THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IN GALATIANS 5: 22-23. EACH WEEK WE WILL FOCUS ON A DIFFERENT FRUIT.



JUNE 7TH- NO CC  
JUNE 14TH- LOVE  
JUNE 21ST- JOY  
JUNE 28TH- PEACE



CHILDREN'S CHURCH TAKES PLACE ON MOST SUNDAY MORNINGS DIRECTLY AFTER THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN AGE 3-2ND GRADE. THIS TIME INCLUDES AN ACTIVITY, STORYTIME, AND SNACK. CHILDREN'S CHURCH DOES NOT MEET ON COMMUNION SUNDAYS, SO THAT CHILDREN CAN FULLY PARTICIPATE IN OUR COMMUNION SERVICE.



## Splash Pad and Picnic Days



# Splash pad and picnic days

June 7<sup>th</sup> and July 26<sup>th</sup>  
11:30-1PM

Families are invited to  
join us for a picnic lunch  
(provided) at the Crystal  
Bridges splash pad directly  
after church.

# Summer Youth Group



## YOUTH SUMMER CALENDAR



JUNE 6TH	FOOD PANTRY	8:30-11AM
JUNE 7TH	SACRED SHAKES	2:00-3:00PM
JUNE 13-20TH	HIGH SCHOOL MONTREAT	
JUNE 28TH	SACRED SHAKES	2:00-3:00PM
JULY 5-10TH	FERNCLIFF CAMP	
JULY 12TH	POOL PARTY	5:15-7PM
JULY 15-19TH	MONTREAT MIDDLE	
JULY 26TH	SACRED SHAKES	2:00-3:00PM

## **Book Signing with our own Gail Rogers Sunday, June 14 after worship**

Gail Rogers, a longtime and dedicated FPC member has written and illustrated with photography, **Walking the Trails of Crystal Bridges...and Into a Christ-filled Life**. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> printing.

Gail starts her collection with "writing these meditations has truly been a Spirit-led, life-changing journey... my hope is that these words will be a blessing to those who read it."

The Library Committee invites everyone to come by the library after worship on June 14. The books will be given away, and Gail will be happy to sign your book. It will be a walk to remember.

### **WALKING THE TRAILS OF CRYSTAL BRIDGES.....**



### **.....AND INTO A CHRIST- FILLED LIFE**



# **General Assembly of the PCUSA June 22 - July 2, 2026 Milwaukee, WI**

## What is the General Assembly?

As a council, the General Assembly is made up of commissioners from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s presbyteries, with teaching elders (ministers of the Word and Sacrament) and ruling elders represented in equal numbers. Young adult advisory delegates, theological student advisory delegates, and partner advisory delegates representing global mission organizations, partner churches, and interreligious groups also constitute the assembly. These individuals gather for committees and plenary sessions to discern the direction of the church and make decisions that are implemented throughout the life of the PC(U.S.A.).

As a discernment event, the General Assembly occurs every two years. It includes worship services, committee meetings, plenary sessions, meals, educational opportunities, and other planned and impromptu gatherings.

As a worshipping body, the General Assembly is a time when people from across the PC(U.S.A.) and beyond gather to celebrate God's work in the world. You can learn more, and keep up with the activities and decisions of the 227<sup>th</sup> General Assembly by going to [PC-biz.org](http://PC-biz.org) or [pcusa.org/ga](http://pcusa.org/ga) . Please remember the assembly in your prayers.

## **J.O.Y. GROUP**

**Next gathering: Thursday, June 25 at 11:00am,  
in the church library**

J.O.Y Group, or Just Older Youth (roughly retirement age and older), is a lunch gathering on the 4th Thursday of each month. Of course, people of any age are always welcome. You are invited to bring a dish to share, enjoy great fellowship, and experience some type of program. Questions, contact Jeanne Boehmler at 479-366-5904.



# Stewardship & Finance Update

## Operating Budget Snapshot through April

Giving & Other Revenue: **\$321,957**

Expenses: **\$300,372**

Through April, revenue is tracking ahead of budget, and expenses are also favorable to budget, largely due to generous giving received early in the year and the timing of the open Pastor and Music Director positions. We are grateful for the generosity that has supported the church so far this year.

As part of the 2026 budget process, Session made a strategic decision to approve a budget where expenses were expected to exceed income for the year, with the caveat that we would do an additional budget review in six months and make necessary adjustments as needed.

Because the church entered the year with operating reserves, we were able to continue investing in ministry and staffing during an important season of transition. As efforts continue toward finding a new Head Pastor and fill the Music Director role, expenses will increase in the second half of the year. While current projections are better than the original budget, we still expect expenses to exceed income by year-end unless giving continues to grow.

This is why stewardship matters year-round. Faithful giving supports worship, staff, pastoral care, children and youth ministry, mission, music, building operations, insurance, the Food Pantry, My Friends & Me, and the day-to-day work that allows ministry to happen. While the Food Pantry and My Friends & Me have their own funding streams, both are ministries of the church and are supported by the church's broader operating structure and overhead.

We're also grateful for the generosity shown through designated giving so far this year. A few highlights include:

- **\$20,610 contributed to the Food Pantry**, supporting ongoing efforts to serve those in need in our community
- **\$2,845 given to the Emergency Response Fund**, providing assistance in times of crisis
- **\$15,016 contributed for 150 new chairs**, replacing older chairs with safer, more comfortable seating for events and gatherings throughout the church
- **\$4,200 given to the Landscaping Committee** for continued upgrades to our flowerbeds and grounds

We are also grateful for the completion of several major capital improvements over the past year. These projects represent nearly **\$500K of investment in the care and preservation of our building**, funded separately from the operating budget through the church's line of credit. No additional capital outlays against the line of credit are planned at this time. A few of these projects include painting and siding repair of the building's exterior, the enhanced security entryway vestibule, organ maintenance, parking lot resurfacing, and HVAC replacement. These improvements help ensure our building remains a welcoming and functional space for worship, ministry, fellowship, and community use. As we look ahead, Stewardship & Finance will continue working with Session to plan for the repayment of the line of credit while also supporting the church's ongoing operating needs.

### **Ways to Give**

We are deeply grateful for everyone who already gives regularly, or supports the church in other ways. If you would like to make an additional gift, begin giving, or adjust your recurring giving, contributions may be made by cash or check during worship or mailed to the church office. You may also give online by visiting [fpcbentonville.org/giving](https://fpcbentonville.org/giving).

With Gratitude,

Finance & Stewardship Committee

Steve Rogers, David Atwood, Trevor Dane, Cie Cochran, Hunter Breshears,  
Bob Boehmler, Lance de la Rosa

# Save the Date - Kids Wild Life Camp

## WILD LIFE CAMP

July 29th and 30th

A faith, fun, and service focused day  
camp for rising K-6th graders

### Wednesday Schedule

9:00AM-Check-In  
9:30AM- Morning Worship  
10:00AM- Splash Pad Trip  
11:30AM- Lunch  
12:00PM- Chill Time  
12:30PM- Service Project  
1:30PM- Tie Dye  
2:30PM-Afternoon Worship  
3:00PM: Pick-Up

### Thursday Schedule

9:00AM- Check-In  
9:30AM- Morning Worship  
10:00AM-Scavenger Hunt  
11:30AM- Lunch  
12:00PM- Chill Time  
12:30PM- Service Project  
1:30PM- Pottery Painting  
2:30PM- Afternoon Worship  
3:00PM- Pick-Up

Register Here By  
July 15th :



## Congratulations Graduates!



We celebrate with the following who recently graduated:

**Zach Monroe**, Master of Music in Music Performance from Baylor University

**Maddox Nosari**, Bachelor of Science in Accounting from College of the Ozarks

## Congratulations to the FPC Scholarship Recipients!

Our congregation has supported our high school graduates in their next educational endeavors through awards from endowed scholarship funds for over 40 years.

The John Walker Vinson Jr. Scholarship,  
the Carl Otis Jett Scholarship,  
the James and Frances Boyd Scholarship,  
and the Edna Putnam Scholarship were awarded to:

Addison Jones - attending the University of Arkansas

Anna Schneringer - attending Wellesley College

Dalley Allen - attending Northwest Arkansas Community College

Sidney Adams - attending the University of Arkansas



# Pentecost Sunday Worship, May 24

What a wonderful Pentecost Sunday we shared together as a church family! From meaningful worship to joyful fellowship, it was a blessing to celebrate the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives and in our church.



# Hello Summer Party! Sunday, May 24

Our "Hello Summer" Party was a fun-filled afternoon of fellowship and laughter for all ages! From the inflatable water slide and water games to hot dogs and snow cones, it was a wonderful time together as a church family.



We thank you and appreciate the collaborative effort that goes into publishing our monthly newsletter. We could not do it without your contribution. If you have an article, announcement, or image you would like included in our next monthly newsletter, please send your submission to Amanda Hayes via email to: [administrative.assistant@fpcbentonville.org](mailto:administrative.assistant@fpcbentonville.org) by June 22, 2026.

Again, we appreciate the support of all members of our congregation in every ministry.

Thank you,  
FPC Staff

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Director of Children and Youth Ministry: Katie McKenzie  
Financial Manager: Hannah Cheeseman  
Facility Maintenance Manager: Mike McGinley  
Administrative Assistant: Amanda Hayes  
Interim AV Tech and Communications Support: Alex Brice  
Nursery Coordinator: Zinnuh Cooper  
Custodian: Anthony Farrar  
Clerk of Session: Virginia Breshears

To reach any of our staff by email, contact [info@fpcbentonville.org](mailto:info@fpcbentonville.org)

### **OUR MISSION**

Trusting, Growing, Caring and Serving Together In the Name of Jesus Christ

The mission of First Presbyterian Church is to help people come to:

- 1) **Trust** in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord of their lives;
- 2) **Grow** and mature in their understanding and experience of that faith;
- 3) **Care** for one another, allowing Christ's love to live in them as we journey through the "mountains" and "valleys" of life; and
- 4) **Serve** the needs of "the least of these", our brothers and sisters, in the name of Jesus Christ.