

JANUARY 2022

# First Presbyterian Church



Greetings from the Clerk of Session,

I want to update you on some things happening in the church.

We have elected new officers for the church.

Joining the session will be Linda Rose in her first term and Nora Sandquist in her second term. We will have an open spot on the session.

Pam Cottingham has finished her term on the session and will start as a deacon.

Amy Whitaker is serving another term on the board of deacons.

Ray Evans and Ray Fox were approved to serve a third term as a trustee.

The congregation elected five members on the pastor nominating committee (PNC). Maudanne Pursley (chair), Dixie Finley, Ming Leu, Nora Sandquist, and Steve Skelton.

The PNC is working with Greg Emery to create documents describing our church and what we seek in a new pastor.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to serve our church!

I had the opportunity to preach recently, and I received several messages from folks who cannot worship with us in person due to health or age concerns.

It was nice for me to hear from them and feel the warmth of their kind words.

It was also a reminder that we have come so far to live stream our worship service during the pandemic.

We even had Rev Bob Morrison preach from his kitchen table.

None of this would be possible without the work of Jonathan Kimball, Steve Skelton, Steve Zap, and Javier Valentn-Svico.

The session voted to close our Boy Scout and Cub Scout organizations. Membership in the organization has declined nationally and locally. Our long-term scoutmaster stepped down when his youngest son aged out of the organization.

My son Jack and many others benefited from their time in the organization. As the only mom on several campouts, I had memorable experiences I would have never had otherwise with the Boy Scouts.

Susan Murray

# Administrative Committee

## Per Capita 2022

At the presbytery level, your per capita has provided staff support for presbytery meetings, all of which were online this year. It provides for the recording of minutes of those meetings, and other records. Per capita covers staff support for each clerk of session, including minutes review.

The synod provides a monthly video sermon which can be used for pulpit supply.

At the General Assembly level, our per capita funds the Presbyterian Historical Society, the biennial General Assembly meeting, ordination exams and standards for candidates, the system for churches to find a pastor, and many other ministries.

Per capita is based on the reported membership of your church, and John Calvin Presbytery sends a portion to the Synod of Mid-America and to the General Assembly.

### 2022 PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT

First Presbyterian Church of Rolla, Missouri

**\$38.50** per member

The 2022 Per Capita for ecclesiastical expenses is based upon the membership of your church as reported to General Assembly on December 31, 2020.

Membership December 31, 2020..... 120

General Assembly	\$ 8.98 per member	\$ 1,077.60
Synod of Mid-America	\$2.90 per member	\$ 348.00
John Calvin Presbytery	\$ 26.62 per member	\$ 3,194.40

TOTAL PER CAPITA FOR 2022 \$ 4,620.00

## MISSION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY----FEBRUARY 13TH.

As in past years, we recognize a food mission in our community with the donations on Super Bowl Sunday.

This year we are giving to the Back Pack Program and will have collection containers available on that Sunday.

If you are worshiping remotely and wish to contribute, put Souper Bowl in the information line on your check.

# *Preschool News*

WE ENJOYED THE SNOW LAST WEEK - WE DID TAKE A COUPLE OF DAYS OFF, BUT FRIDAY WE WERE OPEN AND WE EVEN PLAYED OUTSIDE IN THE SNOW.



WE HAVE WELCOMED A COUPLE OF NEW STAFF SINCE NORA GAVE THE CHURCH UPDATE. MISS LIZ IS THE OTHER HALF OF MISS BRITTANY'S DAY AND MISS JANET IS OUR MORNING FLOATER AND SUBSTITUTE. THESE TWO HAVE HIT THE FLOOR RUNNING AND ARE GREAT ADDITIONS.

I MET WITH THE ARCHITECT AND THE PLANS FOR THE INFANT ROOM ARE MOVING RIGHT ALONG. WE THANK YOU FOR THE SUPPORT IN THE ADDITION OF THIS, AS THIS IS A HUGE NEED IN ROLLA.

**DIRECTOR**  
*TRACY JAMES*

# PRAYER REQUEST

*Judy Fox* - cerebral tumor (benign) surgery.

*Adam Roloff* - Dixie Finley's Grandson; continuing healthcare after procedure to address cerebral nerve entanglement.

*Connie Dewitt* - Continuing care after brain surgery.

*Gail Podgurski* - Daughter of Former Pastor Miles White undergoing observation for health issues.

*Carla Simmons* - Recuperating after Heart Event.

*Lee, Ruby Malone* - Residing at Silverstone (Ruby with some memory problems - Lee with Falling issues)

*Donna Kriesler* - (Per Pat Look) Husband dealing with COVID and Heart issues.

*Tom Eychamer* - Barb and Kelly's brother - dealing with continuing health issues.

*Kelly Dean* - Continuing respiratory issues.

*Zobrists* - Death of granddaughter.

*Mary Cunningham* - Recuperating from Auto Accident.

*Carlene and Bob May* - Medical follow-up for Cancer treatment for both ongoing. Bob is scheduled for Hip replacement in February.

*Lydia Rodriguez* - Having Tests for Iron Deficiency Anemia.

**THE PRAYER REQUEST LIST WILL START OVER ABOUT  
EVERY  
TWO MONTHS.**

**IF YOU HAVE SOMEONE WHO NEEDS  
PUT ON OR TAKEN OFF THE LIST,  
PLEASE CONTACT KATIE IN THE OFFICE**

**BIRTHDAY WISHES  
FOR FEBRUARY GO OUT TO**

**1ST**

JOAN WILLIAMS

**8TH**

FREDI ZOBRIST

**10TH**

KAYLEE DENBO

**13TH**

GEORGE ZOBRIST  
TERESSA FOX

**19TH**

TINA SANDS

**28TH**

MARY WALLEN



**ANNIVERSARY WISHES  
FOR FEBRUARY GO OUT TO**



**14TH** DAVID & MARY  
WALLEN