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Updates to Our Church Communications

As we continue looking for ways to better serve and connect with our church family, we are making some updates to our church newsletter and weekly communications. These changes are intended to help us communicate more efficiently, reduce costs, and make it easier for members, committees, and commissions to share important information with the congregation.

In the coming weeks, we will begin transitioning to a weekly newsletter format. Our Wednesday Updates emails will continue as usual, but they will now include additional information, announcements, upcoming events, and ministry highlights each week. By combining information into one consistent weekly communication, we hope to make it easier for everyone to stay informed about the life and ministry of the church.

As part of this transition, we are also working to reduce the amount of paper and postage used whenever possible. We understand that not everyone uses email or digital communication, so paper copies will remain available in the Narthex. Members who are unable to attend worship in person and will continue to receive mailed copies, ensuring they stay connected to our church family and ministries.

We are also updating the process for submitting announcements, and newsletter items. To help the office receive the correct information and improve organization, we have created a new submission form for church communications. This form will allow commissions, committees, ministry leaders, and church members to collaborate more effectively with the office staff while helping ensure announcements are accurate, complete, and submitted in a timely manner. [Click here](#) to access the new form. You can also find this form on our website under the "Quick Links" area at the bottom of our page, and at the Kiosk.

These changes will also allow the church office to better balance communication needs alongside the many other responsibilities involved in supporting the ministries of the church.

We appreciate your patience and support as we make these updates. Our goal is to strengthen communication, improve efficiency, and continue building connections within our church community.

Have any questions don't hesitate to reach out to the office!

TNT Gatherings - The Table & The Task: Opportunities for discerning the presence, power, and potential of the Holy Spirit as we gather around a shared meal.

We're thankful and Encouraged from the responses shared at the TNT Gatherings! These special meals are an opportunity for us to come together—where the "task" meets the "table." As we share food and fellowship, we'll encounter the presence of the living Christ, listen to your questions about the revised leadership structure, gather insights to finalize the details, and identify roles for our new commissions and ministry teams.

Be part of shaping our future! Only two TNT Gatherings remain. [Click this link](#) to share your interest and reserve your preferred time. You can also scan the QR code or visit the table in the Narthex to sign up.

TNT *More Than A Meal*
GATHERINGS



Reserve Your Option



BLOOD DRIVE



On June 24, 2026, we will be sponsoring a Versiti Blood Drive from 12:30 to 5:30 PM. (Please note the extended hours to accommodate a greater number of donations!)

Unfortunately we are entering the time of year when the need for blood increases due to accidents that occur on the roads during the summer. We have been very fortunate to have such a wonderful response to the blood drives. We have been able to help so many people in need of blood. When we donate we are the "Good Samaritans" helping those in need along the side of the road. Jesus instructed the apostles to be good samaritans. Scripture tells us this, to help our brothers and sisters in need. For less than an hour of your time you can save a life. Please donate.

You can register by going to the Versiti website at donateblood.versiti.org or by using the QR code



Loaves & Fishes

Ending Hunger  Empowering Lives

We will be providing the meal for Loaves and Fishes on June 17, 2026. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex for providing various fruits, desserts, helping with the meat preparation and serving.

It is helpful if the desserts are put in zip lock bags prior to the event. It saves a lot of time. We serve approximately 130 persons. It's a lot of fun to work together as a church family to provide this meal.

If you haven't participated prior, please consider giving it a try! Loaves and Fishes is held from 4:00 PM to approximately 6:00 PM at the Church of Peace at 158 S. Military Road.

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

Cribbage

Join us for an exciting game of Cribbage on the third Friday of every month at 7:00 PM in Gathering Room. Don't worry if you've never played before - our seasoned players will be there to teach you! It's the perfect time to learn a new pastime and make new friends. Contact the church office with any questions.

New Freedom Group

For over 10 years, the AA group has been meeting at the First Presbyterian Church. In-person meetings take place every Tuesday evening at 6 PM. The fourth Tuesday of each month is designated as an Open Meeting, and there is an Open Speaker Meeting every quarter in March, June, September, and December. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Les M. or contact the church office.

Scams Caution: In today's digital world, scam emails and phishing attempts are common and can seriously threaten your online security. It's essential to remain vigilant when you receive emails from unfamiliar sources to protect your personal information and privacy

Hope on the Block

Thank you for your continued support of the Hope on the Block. Please bring items to the box in the Narthex.

- Non-perishable Food
- Toilet Paper
- Toothbrushes/Toothpaste
- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Body Wash/Soap
- Sunscreen
- Deodorant
- Feminine Care
- Tissue
- First Aid / Band Aids
- Chapstick
- Combs/Brushes/Hair Ties

First Presbyterian Church Prayer Request

If you or someone you know would like to be added to our prayer list, please [click here](#) to complete an online form. Or contact the church office. Prayer request cards are available in the Prayer Box located in the Narthex, and in the church pews. You can place your prayer request in the offering plate or the lock box at the church office door.

Men's Breakfast

Every Wednesday, men of the church meet for breakfast at Pump 'n Pantry at 8:00 am. (329 W. Pioneer Road, FdL).

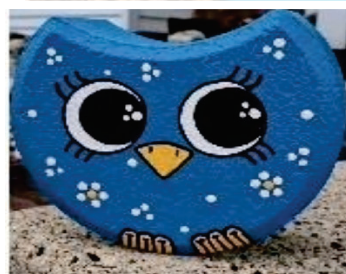


Enjoy a relaxed atmosphere with a freshly brewed cup of coffee in hand and good friends gathered around the table. It's the perfect way to kick off your Wednesday.



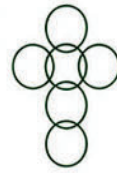
A friend is someone who reaches for your hand but touches your heart.

Join us for the next Women in Faith gathering on Wednesday, June 10th, from 5:30-7:30 pm! Whether you're hoping to connect with others or simply enjoy a relaxing evening, you'll find a warm and inviting atmosphere. We'll begin with a light potluck meal and then enjoy making creative garden art by repurposing everyday items. You can sign up for the meal at the Welcome Center in the Narthex or [click here](#) for the Food Sign-Up Sheet. Everyone is welcome, so feel free to bring a friend! For any questions, please contact Jennifer.



SUMMER 2026

WARMING SHELTER SERVICES



Holy Family

WARMING SHELTER



EVERY TUESDAY
FROM JUNE 9 TO AUGUST 18
11:00 AM – 3:00 PM



LUNCH



LAUNDRY SERVICE



SHOWERS



COOL OFF



FREE WIFI

Holy Family Warming Shelter will be offering services for **our neighbors experiencing homelessness** in our community this summer.

Bag lunches available to all.
Laundry service may be provided while you wait. Free showers.
Cool off on a hot day.
Offered Tuesdays this summer at Holy Family Warming Shelter.



LUNCH



LAUNDRY



SHOWERS



COOL OFF



FREE WIFI



HOLY FAMILY WARMING SHELTER
73 E 1st Street
Fond du Lac, WI 54935



**TOGETHER WE CAN
MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

Everyone is welcome. Everyone matters.

175th Church Anniversary

We are excited to announce the upcoming 175th Church Anniversary of the First Presbyterian Church Fond du Lac on February 26, 2030! This milestone is a joyful opportunity to come together and celebrate the Lord’s amazing work accomplished through our congregation. As we honor our rich history, let’s build an even stronger sense of identity in Christ right here and now. Join us in sharing and celebrating the incredible gifts and stories that have shaped our church throughout the years!

If you’d like to be part of the 175th Church Anniversary Planning Committee, please contact Jennifer as we assemble our committee—your ideas and energy are welcome!



Meal of Thanksgiving-July 12th

The Peacheys would like you to join them for a meal of Thanksgiving. A celebration of God’s answer to prayer in ways more miraculous than expected. “Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him”. -Psalm 34:8. On July 12th after the worship service they will be hosting the fellowship time with a breakfast buffet. Please join them in celebrating God’s goodness. If you will be attending please sign up prior to July 2nd. [Click here](#) to RSVP.

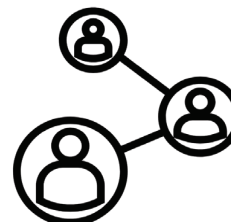
Scrap Wood Needed



We are thankful for the new banners being created for worship. Each of these banners requires dowels (or something similar) at the top and bottom. If you have any extra 1" dowels or straight 1x2 strips about 40-46" long, we would be glad to make use of them.

Growing Connections Sundays 10:15-11:15 am

Sermon Discussions-June 7th



Sermon Discussion is a friendly, welcoming group where we gather to talk about the day’s scripture and sermon. Whether you want to listen, share, or simply be present, you’re invited. Join us for open, supportive conversations as we explore faith together. Join us on June 7th in the Parlor for Sermon Discussions.

PYA = Presbyterian Youth Association

Basic info: PYA is for students in the 5th -12th grade

Purpose: To get to know Jesus Christ and have lots of fun!

Sunday, June 7th 11:30am Lunch, Games and Summer Planning

Bring a dish to pass, favorite game, summer calendars, ideas for summer activities and your parents. We will plan our summer activities.

Saturday, June 20th PYA at the Woodlands

We will take a walk to the new pavillion, weather permitting. Meet at the Woodlands Building 77 Wisconsin American Drive at 10-11am. Parents can pick up at the same location 77 Wisconsin American Drive at 11:05 am. Please let Jennifer know if you are planning to attend or if you have any questions.



TNT Leadership Feedback-May 28th

The new leadership structure is an ongoing process that involves everyone in the church working together in Christ. The TNT gatherings have provided a warm, open space to voice your thoughts and questions, helping us grow and find clarity as one body. Only two chances remain to join a TNT Gathering—[click here](#) to express your interest and reserve your spot.

We appreciate your questions and helpful suggestions as we continue this conversation together. Many participants have asked for more clarity on the roles and purposes of commissions, committees, and ministry teams.

We invite you to join us after worship on Sunday, June 28th, as we share a summary of your feedback, highlight key suggestions, and outline the next steps for our church community.



Calling All Graduates!!!!

Graduate Recognition Sunday is June 14, and we'd love your help celebrating our graduates in a meaningful way! If you or a family member is graduating from high school, college, technical school, entering military service, or starting a new job, please share:

- Graduate's name
- School graduating from
- College, university, technical school, military branch, or employment they will be attending/serving in
- Degree earned (for college graduates, if applicable)

We also invite alumni and veterans to wear apparel representing their alma mater or branch of service during worship. You may also be welcomed forward for a special laying on of hands and prayer as we celebrate and bless our graduates together. Please send graduate information to the church office (Office@fpcfdl.org) by June 8 so we can include it in our announcements, newsletter, and worship slides.

Reduced Fare Taxi Program

Reduced Fare Taxi Punch Cards Are
Now Available for Waupun Taxi!

Are you over the age of 60 or living with a disability?

The Reduced-Fare Taxi Program provides **discounted punch cards**
for local taxi services.

Eligible individuals can receive a **10-ride punch card for \$15**

Limit of two punch cards per person per year.

This program is possible due to funding received from s. 85.21 state funding to help meet FDL Co residents transportation needs.

The ADRC of Fond du Lac County gives programs and services to everyone fairly. We do not treat people differently because of race, color, or national origin, following Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.

If you think you were treated unfairly or discriminated against, you can file a complaint with the Aging & Disability Resource Center.

For help, questions, or to request changes or accommodations, contact us:

- Phone: 920-929-3466
- Hearing impaired: Use WI Relay 711 or visit Wisconsin Relay
- Email: adrc@fdlco.wi.gov
- Office: 400 University Drive, Suite A1, Fond du Lac, WI 54935



For More Information:

920-929-3466

www.fdlco.wi.gov/adrc





Synod School offers learning and enrichment for all ages in a welcoming, supportive environment. The week features classes and activities for adults, youth, and children. Attendees from across the country gather to worship, study, play, and build community. It's a chance to learn, connect, share creativity and music, worship freely, be inspired for service, and enjoy a break from daily routines.

[View the 2026 Synod School Catalog Here.](#) A paper catalog is available on the table outside the church office door.

For more information check out the [Synod School Page](#) on the Synod of [Lakes and Prairies website](#).

Family and Youth Camp Opportunities



Are you interested in attending a summer camp?

Daycholah Center (Green Lake) and Moon Beach (St. Germain) are two great camps that offer a wide range of activities for people of all ages. Campers can enjoy swimming, canoeing, crafting, making new friends, and much more. If you want to learn more or register for the camp, you can check out the United Church Camps, Inc. website www.ucci.org.

If you wish to apply for financial aid, please fill out the [Presbytery Camp Application](#) (available in the church office or on Presbytery website) leaving the "amount your church can pay" line blank and give to the church as soon as possible.

Scholarships are also available from First Presbyterian Church. First Presbyterian Church has established a process for applying for a scholarship (campership) for Church Camps. Campership Applications are on the table outside the office or here [Campership Form](#). All campership applications must be submitted for consideration to the Scholarship Committee. Please return all forms to the church office.

Summer Outdoor Worship

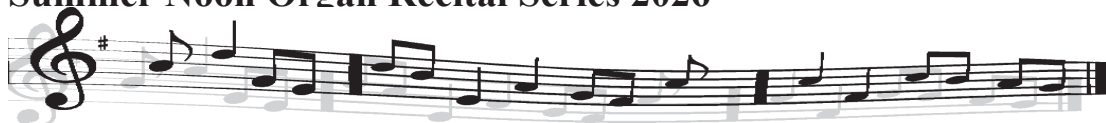
The worship team is excited about having worship outdoors once a month this summer. We gather around and under the pavilion worshipping God in the natural beauty He has given us. Stay tuned for more details as the dates approach.

The dates are:

- June 21st (Father's Day)
- July 12th
- August 2nd (Tailgate to follow)
- August 30th
- September 15th



Summer Noon Organ Recital Series 2026



The following area organists will be presenting recitals this summer. Free-will offerings will be taken.

Proceeds will go to a scholarship fund to support the training of young organists and the promotion of future series of summer organ recitals.

Organist	Date	Place
Mark Bollom	Thursday, June 25, 12:15pm	Shepherd of the Hills Catholic Church W1562 County Road B, Eden, WI 53019
Kenneth Hill	Thursday, July 02, 12:15pm	Cathedral Church of St. Paul the Apostle 51 W. Division, FdL
Libby Reinbold	Thursday, July 09, 12:15pm	Salem Methodist Church 120 Sheboygan St., FdL
Devin Atteln	Thursday, July 16, 12:15pm	Church of Our Saviour Lutheran 363 S. Main St., FdL
Kris Bartelt	Thursday, July 23, 12:15pm	First Presbyterian Church 1225 Fourth St Rd., FdL
Jessica Finley	Thursday, July 30, 12:15pm	Hope Lutheran Church 260 Vincent St., FdL
Ann Lemmenes	Thursday, Aug. 06, 12:15pm	Cathedral Church of St. Paul the Apostle 51 W. Division, FdL
David Hein	Thursday, Aug. 13, 12:15pm	Church of Our Saviour Lutheran 363 S. Main St., FdL
Henry Hayes (scholarship recipient)	Thursday, Aug. 20, 12:15pm	First Presbyterian Church, 1225 Fourth St Rd., FdL
Arpad Muranyi	Thursday, Aug. 27, 12:15pm	St. Patrick's Concert Hall 39 E. Follett Street, FdL

For more information, please visit our website fdlareaorganists.com, follow us on Facebook, or contact:

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