



The Trumpet

A Monthly Newsletter Publication from Twin Falls First Presbyterian Church
August 2022 Edition

Gratitude

By Reverend Phil Price

"I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers." –Ephesians 1:16

As I sit down to write my last Trumpet article what comes to mind is gratitude. *The Westminster Dictionary of Theological Terms* defines gratitude as: "The response to God and God's blessings that is an expression of praise and gratitude. In the Christian context," it goes on to say, "believers respond in gratitude for the 'indescribable gift' (2nd Corinthians 9:15) of Jesus Christ, who is the supreme expression of God's grace."

When I look back over the past sixteen years of life and ministry in and among all of you I am filled praise and gratitude for God has been at work through all of us as witnesses to the "indescribable gift" of Jesus Christ in our lives and how we all have sought to be living examples of God's love in the world.

I am grateful for how you have trusted me as **Pastor**. You have called upon me through your concerns and joys of life as I have sat at bedsides in the hospital hearing difficult diagnoses and celebrated weddings and the arrival of babies. You all have helped deepen my sense of being "pastor" as you have asked to have conversations around challenging issues in your life and simply asked me to listen as you unburdened your heart, mind, and spirit. Throughout all of these pastoral interactions you have welcomed moments of prayer and reflection as we have called upon our Lord and God to come more fully into our lives.

I am grateful for how you have trusted me as **Minister of Word and Sacrament**. For literally hundreds of Sunday mornings and countless special worship services, whether funerals and weddings or Christmas Eves and Holy Week observances, you have been open to my leadership. You have given me wide-latitude in both exploring more fully what it means to worship in our Reformed Tradition as well as experimenting with different ways of worship both during our regular time of gathering around God's Word in the sanctuary or everywhere from different places on church grounds to county parks and congregants' homes. All the while we have kept the "indescribable gift" of Jesus Christ at the center of worship.

I am grateful for how you have trusted me as **Teaching Elder**. Whether on Sunday mornings in adult class or during Children's Time in worship or bible studies throughout the week we have explored what God's Word has to say to us as well as how to understand the world around us through theological lenses. You all have affirmed my love of teaching all different age groups; it has been a joy to watch young and old alike gain new understandings of who Jesus is in their life and how to more fully be living examples of God's love in the world. It has been through your openness to further nurturing our faith that such growth has been possible and I am forever grateful for the part you have given me in this development.

I am grateful for how you have been **Siblings of Faith** for Eric, Kathy, and me. You all are an immense part of Eric's upbringing. While he has a wonderful relationship with grandparents in Washington and Pennsylvania, you all have been sisters and brothers, aunts and uncles, and grandparents to Eric these past sixteen years. When I told Eric that I was going to begin to look for a new call, one of his first reactions was wondering if he could still be in relationship with all of you. His reaction speaks to the depth of care you all have given to my son, for that alone I am forever grateful.

But so too have you helped nurture Kathy in her part in the life and ministry of our congregation and in the Magic Valley by electing and ordaining her as a Ruling Elder and your openness to her leadership ideas. You have not only welcomed Kathy's leadership, many of you have befriended her through LOGOS, PEO, Book Club, and during Fellowship Hour. Watching how you have cared for the two most important people in my life has given me the strength and courage to be more effective as pastor, minister of word and sacrament, and teaching elder. Because of who you all have been to both my family and your pastor, "I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you always in my prayers."

I am grateful for how you all have exhibited your faith in Jesus Christ, who is the supreme expression of God's grace and trust that you will continue to embody this faith as your move into the next chapters of ministry before you.



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**Session Summary
June 2022**

The stated session meeting was held on June 21st, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Room.

Phil Price and Melanie Halsell traveled to Pocatello, ID on April 30th for the annual Clerks’s Record Review.

The session received a request from the Herrett Forum Lecture Series Committee for permission to use the sanctuary on as yet to be determined Tuesday evening in October.

Phil Price will be in Louisville, KY from June 27th – July 2nd fulfilling General Assembly Commissioner committee assignments. He will also be participating in Zoom sessions the week of July 5th-9th.

Don Hammond will be preaching July 10th

The next stated session meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 19th at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Room.

Melanie Halsell, Clerk

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Our church's per capita for 2022 is \$7,526 or \$44.00 per member (not household). If everyone would pay his/her share of per capita, we would have a balanced budget!

Won't you please pay your \$44.00.....or round up to \$50.00 as soon as possible to help our local finances while supporting the larger Presbyterian Church USA??



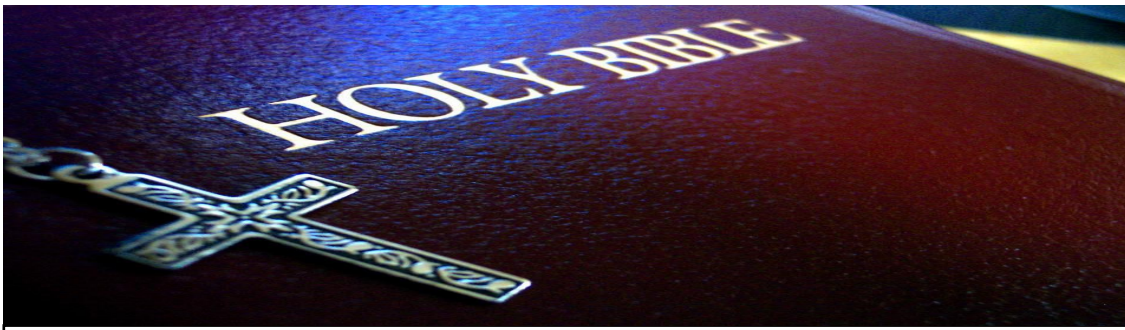
**Thank you,
Your Stewardship Committee**

JUNE FINANCES

January thru June 2022

Total Member Contributions - \$79,313
Per Capita - \$2,120 (**hope for \$7,526**)
Total Other Income - \$13,557
Volley Ball Rent - \$6,000
Total Income - \$92,870
Total Expenses - \$89,987-
Administrative - \$63,144
Office - \$15,001
Per Capita - \$7,526
Facility - \$11,842
Mission - \$13,549 -- from outside
Net Profit – \$2,883

Please pay your per Capita - \$44 - Thank you!!



Preaching Schedule

August 7th	9th Sunday after Pentecost (<i>communion—separate elements</i>)
1st Reading	Psalm 33:12-22 <i>The Greatness and Goodness of God</i>
2nd Reading	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16 <i>The Meaning of Faith</i>
Sermon Title	“By Faith”
August 14th	10th Sunday after Pentecost (<i>baptisms of Brinley Kay Allred & Boden Gene Youree and Wiley James Youree</i>)
1st Reading	Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19 <i>Prayers for Israel’s Restoration</i>
2nd Reading	Hebrews 11:29-12:2 <i>The Example of Jesus</i>
Sermon Title	“Surrounded by so Great a Cloud”

Fellowship and



Worship Opportunities

Adult class is held before worship at 8:30 am in the Fellowship room
Sunday Worship services start at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary and conclude around 11:00.

Please join us for Social Time each Sunday in the Fellowship Room, right after worship. Light snacks, juice, coffee and tea are served.

Kindergarten – 5th Grade Sunday School

Children’s Sunday school is happening in- person in the multipurpose Christian Education Room off the Fellowship Room downstairs.

If you are unable to attend, we will mail the at-home materials each week. If you would like to be included, please contact Linda Howar at (208) 420-1990

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME to remain with their families in the sanctuary for worship. There are worship bags containing items for children to use in their pew during this time.

WIGGLE ROOM FOR CHILDREN:

There are two family-friendly spaces in the church:

The Family Room at the back of the sanctuary offers rocking chairs, a changing table and books and toys for the very young.

Downstairs in the Fellowship Room, there is a corner off to the left with a toy bin containing puzzles, soft toys, a board books.

Questions?

Call Kristen Keller 208-420-8854

First Presbyterian Church of Twin Falls

2022 SESSION ELDERS

Mark Crothers
(Worship)

Terry Fletcher
(Personnel)

Phil Winn
(Stewardship)

Bob Parkinson
(Mission)

Judy Wright
(Fellowship)

Lawrence Flournoy
(Building & Grounds)

Chris Talkington
(Fellowship)

Carol Benson
(Worship)

Kristin Keller
(Christian Nurture)

Judy Pollow
(Stewardship)

ELECTED OFFICERS

Melanie Halsell, Clerk of Session
Bob Parkinson, Treasurer

GIFTS, MEMORIALS & ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE

Phil Winn – Chair
Deanna Baxter, Rick Horner, John Howar, & Phil Price

COMMISSIONED DEACONS

Darlene Annen & Candee Hawk
(Memorial Dinners)

Charlotte & Bill Eberlein
(Mission | Christmas Project)

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Darlene Annen & Susan Harris
Co-Moderators

Joan Leir – Secretary
Colleen Miltenberger – Treasurer



OPPORTUNITIES

MEN'S BREAKFAST

At 7:00 am every Wednesday morning
at Idaho Joe's
for breakfast & topical discussion.

Contact Phil Winn

BOOK CLUB FINAL GATHERING

Tuesday August 9th at 12:15,

In the Fellowship room

We will be discussing "Elevation"

By Stephen King

Please bring your own lunch and we will see you there!

Questions? Contact Kathy Price

CIRCLE FIVE

Thursday, August 18th at 10:00am

at Marjorie Gebauer's house

775 Mountain View Dr. TF

Come and join us for fun, fellowship.

Contact Darlene Annen 208-308-6681

ABIGAIL CIRCLE

no meeting in August



You know when you see someone sitting on the corner by the grocery store with a sign that says "anything will help" and you are torn? Your heart says help but your brain says, "Are they going to spend my money on food or **cigarettes**?" Your Mission committee has an answer to your question! FAMILY FRIENDLY GIFT CARDS. The Mission committee has purchased \$5 family friendly gift cards from Winco and Albertson's. The cards cannot be used to buy alcohol or cigarettes. So the next time you see someone on the street corner asking for help, hand them a gift card!

You can pick up the gift cards from the church office or any of the Mission committee members.

Sandwich Saturday Ministry



Sandwich Saturday began serving sack lunches in October 2020. We have grown from preparing 25 sack lunches to 108 sack lunches. Each lunch includes 2 Smucker's peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, an apple or an orange, 2 cookies, a bag of chips and a bottle of water. Lunches are packed in an assembly line manner. 20 lunches are placed on a table set up on the sidewalk in front of the church and banners are hung inviting anyone needing a lunch. Any left over lunches are placed in the blessing box. We have reached out to the community and learned that a number of families with children are living in the motels on Addison Avenue West. We now deliver 26 lunches to the Apollo Inn who in turn distributes to families in need living in that group of motels, as well as 18 lunches to Main Street Extended Stay, and 18 lunches to Old Towne Lodge. We also learned that the SureStay Hotel on Blue Lakes has a need and deliver 26 lunches to them. 108 lunches are now being prepared and distributed every other Saturday. The motels and their guests often express their appreciation.

We appreciate all the volunteers who are helping with the purchasing of groceries, setting up the assembly line, filling the lunch bags, hanging the banners, delivering the lunches, and helping with clean-up. Thank you to all of those who have helped and continue to help!!! We start filling the bags at 10:30 and are usually finished with that component by 11:15. The lunches are then delivered and others stay to help with clean-up or preparation for the next serving date. We are completely finished by 1:00. Most helpers are finished by no later than 12:00.

We welcome others to come and join this ministry. Please contact Darlene Annen at dcannen@gmail.com or call 208-308-6681.

This ministry not only helps others but provides an opportunity for fellowship among our congregation as well.

If you would like to help, join us on
August 6 and August 20.

What's Happening



Picnic tables are the newest addition to our beautiful courtyard. Churchgoers, school children, teachers, and community members will be able to relax in the shade and enjoy lunch or conversation while staying cool.

The Twin Falls County Fair Kitchen and Pantry Department is sponsoring a contest in honor of Margie Gebauer and her support of the fair. Marjorie has entered many different kinds of baked goods, sewing items, antiques, and flowers over the years including last year at the age of 98. A specialty contest entitled Marjorie's Fresh Apple Cookie Contest will be held during the fair on Thursday, September 1st at 5:00 pm.



MARJORIE'S FRESH APPLE COOKIE CONTEST

CLASS 05

Marjorie Gebauer has been an Exhibitor in the Kitchen & Pantry Dept for many years, entering a wide variety of delicious baked goodies, dinner rolls, and canned items. Recently, she was the 1st place winner in the Chocolate Extravaganza Cake Contest. The K&P Dept is sponsoring this Class to honor Marjorie. Fresh apple cookies are one of her family's favorite recipes. Cookies may be iced or garnished with a topping. ****RECIPE must be included.**

Twin Falls SENIOR CENTER

Meals on Wheels Delivery Drivers Needed

We can't do it without you!
The Twin Falls Senior Center needs your HELP! Drivers are urgently needed to deliver meals to home bound seniors in Twin Falls Monday through Friday. Routes take an hour or less to complete. Your commitment is based on your availability. You must be 18 years of age, have your own car and proof of liability insurance, and have a background check.

Drivers currently receive 57.5 cents a mile fuel reimbursement. This opportunity will be self rewarding and life changing. Please help us serve the community one heart at a time.

Call (208) 734-5084 to volunteer.



“SHOES FOR SCHOOL” CAMPAIGN 2022



FPC’s two Presbyterian Women groups – Circle 5 and Abigail Circle jointly this year – are continuing our local mission project that involves providing school shoes for needy children in Twin Falls – “Shoes for School.”



The number of homeless students kindergarten through 12th grade continues to grow in Twin Falls. The count is now well over 400. Many families struggle just to buy enough food, let alone school shoes and clothes and school supplies.



We are asking for your support again this year.



With your donations to the “Shoes for School” Campaign, we will purchase a supply of \$30 gift cards from The Shoe Department. Those cards will be donated to the At-Risk Services Coordinator for Twin Falls School District, and she then disperses the gift cards directly to qualifying students and their families on an as-needed basis.



If you would like to donate to this worthy project, You may place your donation in the collection plate or baskets on tables in fellowship room or contact Darlene Annen.



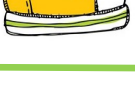
- We will accept donations through the month of September.
- Cash and checks are both accepted.



Checks should be made payable to **First Presbyterian Church** with “Shoe Project” written on the memo line. Cash should be placed in an envelope with “Shoe Project” written on the outside.



Thank you for helping make a huge difference for children in need right here in Twin Falls!



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Dorothy Daisher	8/1
Monica Youree	8/1
Roger Keller	8/2
Aryn Probasco	8/5
Ian Probasco	8/5
Colleen Miltenberger	8/7
Barb Powers	8/7
Vivian Wells	8/7
Scott Hawk	8/8
Sophie Knott	8/8
Ashley Geist	8/10
Leah Jones	8/14
Nick Sharp	8/17
Sophia Long	8/18
Andrew Ippolito	8/19
Hillary Frost	8/21
Judy Wright	8/24
Elbert Davis	8/26
Brian Harris	8/28
Joe Ippolito	8/28
Allan Frost	8/29

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES:

George & Melanie Halsell	8/4
Lawrence & Tina Flournoy	8/13
Bob & Barb Powers	8/19

Is your birthday or anniversary information incorrect or missing from this list? If so—please contact FPC Office Manager Cheri Pollard at (208) 733-7023 or churchoffice@twinfallsfpc.org to help update our records!



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 7-9pm NA (MPR)	2	3 7:00am Men's Breakfast	4	5	6 11:30am Sandwich Saturday
7 COMMUNION SUNDAY 8:30am Adult Class (FR) 10:00am Worship	8 7-9pm NA (MPR)	9 1:00pm Building & Grounds (FR)	10 7:00am Men's Breakfast 1:00 pm Mission Mtg	11	12	13
14 8:30am Adult Class (FR) 10:00am Worship	15 7-9pm NA (MPR)	16 5:30pm Stated Session (FR)	17 7:00am Men's Breakfast	18 10:00am Circle 5 FR	19	20 11:30am Sandwich Saturday
21 8:30am Adult Class (FR) 10:00am Worship	22 7-9pm NA (MPR)	23	24 7:00am Men's Breakfast	25	26	27
28 8:30am Adult Class (FR) 10:00am Worship	29 7-9pm NA (MPR)	30	31			

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday through Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm *(open through the lunch hour)*



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED