

Celtic Cross

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Dear FPC Denton Church Family,

Subject—Prayer: Prayer isn't about asking God for things you need or desire. It's about establishing a relationship with Him built on faith and trust in Him. God knows the desires of your heart long before you even think to ask, but he still loves to hear from you—whether you are asking for guidance or giving thanks—because it draws you closer to him.

Offering: Bible Study/Prayer Group, beginning Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at the church. The Bible Study will begin with a study entitled: Prayers of the New Testament. There will be a time of prayer—for our church, our community and country, and for the needs of ourselves and our families and friends. Please come! If you need a ride, please let Pastor Debbie know at 870-759-0135.

Subject—Grief: Have you lost a loved one? It doesn't matter if it has been a recent loss or one years ago—you may benefit from a grief support program called Grief Share. "After the funeral, when the cards and flowers have stopped coming, most of the people around you return to their normal lives. But your grief continues and you feel alone. Often, friends and family want to help you, but don't know how. That's the reason for Grief Share. Grief Share is led by caring people who have experienced grief and have successfully rebuilt their lives. We understand how you feel because we've been in the same place. We will walk with you on the long path through grief toward healing and hope for the future." (from Grief Share resource)

Offering: The support group will be led by Carol Nance and Pastor Debbie. We are planning to start in September. We are currently preparing the audio/visual equipment we will need and are seeking participants. We hope our church family will take advantage of this outstanding program! We do not have a start date yet----but you will hear more about it next month! I personally have talked with people who have gone through this program who attest that it has really helped them cope with their grief. I'm looking forward to it—I lost my husband in 2014 and I know I need to be in this support group. To learn more about the program visit: www.griefshare.org.

Blessings!

Debbie

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With this summer heat please remember to stay hydrated! Please remember your neighbors and pets. They need to be protected from the heat.



Love Notes from Pastor Debbie

And....we thought June was hot! July has been one hot, dry month. August most likely will be the same. Our "cool" interludes have been our recent Sundae Sunday---thank you, Beverly! And also—how nice and cool our sanctuary is on Sunday mornings! We have some new offerings coming up in August and September---more about them in the cover letter. Stay cool! Stay hydrated! Come and join us in worship of our loving God!



Here are the readings for August:

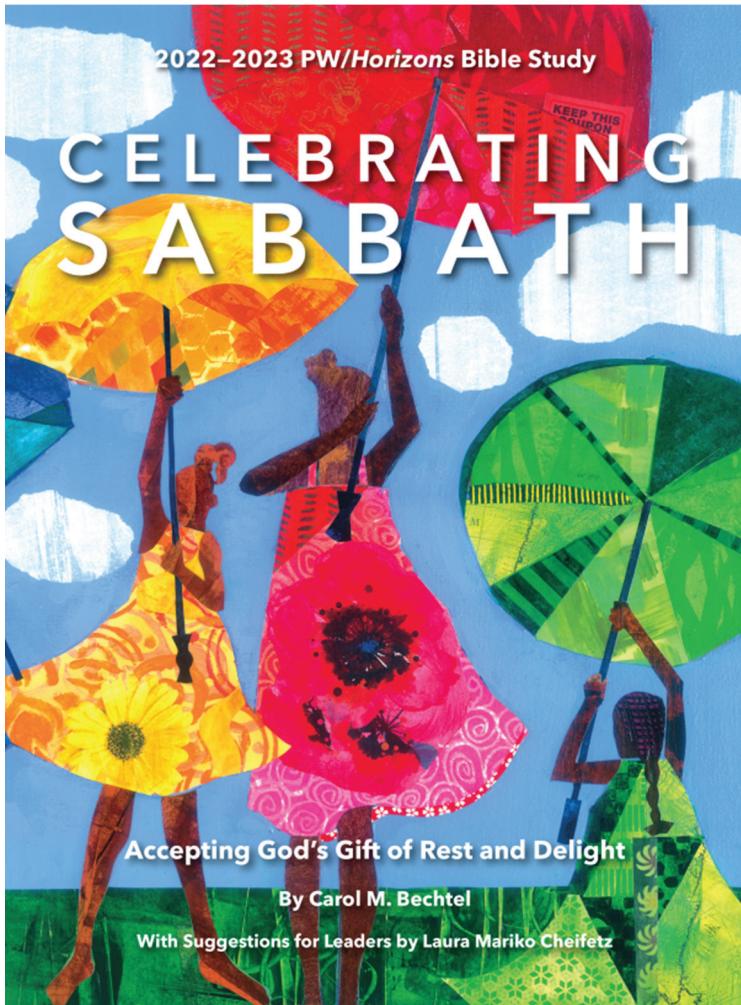
August 7: Communion. 9th/Pentecost. Psalm 50: 1-8, 22-23; Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20; Luke 12: 32-40; Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16. Theme: Faith. "Desire a Better Country" Hebrews 11 text.

August 14: 10th/Pentecost. Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-19; Isaiah 5: 1-7; Luke 12: 49-56; Hebrews 11: 29-12: 2. Theme: Christ's Return and Reign. "Bringing Fire!" Luke 12 text

August 21: 11th/Pentecost. Psalm 71: 1-6; Jeremiah 1: 4-10; Luke 13: 10-17, Hebrews 12: 18-29. Theme: Compassion, Healing. "The Crippled Woman" Luke 13 text

August 28: 12th/Pentecost. Psalm 81: 1, 10-16; Jeremiah 2: 4-13; Luke 14: 1, 7-14; Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16. Theme: Invitation. "The Invitation" Luke 14 text





2022–2023 PW/Horizons Bible study

By Carol M. Bechtel with Suggestions for Leaders by Laura Mariko Cheifetz

Sabbath reminds us to honor God who honors us by giving us a day each week to reset our pace, our priorities, and our lives. In *Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight*, Carol M. Bechtel leads us through a study of Sabbath over nine lessons. Participants will consider Sabbath anew and will come away renewed.

Women of the Church

On Tuesday, September 6, we will begin this year's study, *Celebrating the Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight*, at 10:30 AM in the Conference Room at the church. The lessons will cover the different aspects of the Sabbath and how we can incorporate them into our daily lives. The study books have been ordered, and we'll let you know when they are in.

Carol Nance

Sunday—July 24

CHANCEL CHOIR ~ Jacob Augsten, Director of Music

Soprano Michelle Augsten, Beverly Hoch, Morgan Minear,
Carol Nance

Alto Emma Cole, Kate Stedman, Maiya Williams

Tenor Marquis McBride, Xavier Howard,

Bass Chandler Hall, Christopher Rodriguez, Tim Sanchez

Our Guest Organist was Greg Catrett



Sundae Sunday



August 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Birthday: B.K. Schlesinger
7 Disciples Class 9:30 AM Worship 11 AM 	8	9	10 Birthday: Pat Edell Anniversary: Terry and Marlene Nobles	11	12	13 Birthday: Bill Cassidy
14 Disciples Class 9:30 AM Worship 11 AM	15	16 Birthday: Don Richards Session 7 PM	17	18	19	20
21 Disciples Class 9:30 AM Worship 11 AM	22	23	24	25	26 Birthday: Beverly Hoch	27
28 Disciples Class 9:30 AM Deacons 10:30 AM Worship 11 AM Celtic Cross Deadline	29	30 Birthday: Christopher Rodriguez	31 Birthday: Chris Briggs			

The Little Free Pantry

Mission News

We know it is HOT but a community group has added to our food pantry by setting up a cooler with ice and bottled water. They refill it daily. If you know any of these volunteers, please thank them.

Property has added a trash can to limit litter in the area.

See list on face book page for items needed for pantry. The pantry has been used and refilled 3 or 4 times a week.

ALSO **Denton Christian Preschool** will be getting ready for another year and will be needing supplies such as tissues, wipes, basic school supplies, toothbrushes, paper towels and disinfectant spray. I will put a box out to collect these needed items.

Diana Shenberger
Mission Committee



Donations of non-perishable food items are always needed. Although all items have been selected, most needed are:

Canned goods with pull-off tops (many people do not have can openers)

Food items that are individually packaged and ready to eat, such as granola bars, crackers and cheese and fruit cups.

For families and individuals who have a way to cook, items that are easy to prepare - pasta, Mac and cheese, rice, beans, etc.

Thank you for your support of this important community project.

Mike's big project: Novel (mash-up of jazz history and time travel), Audiobook (coming soon) AND CD "Saving Charlie Parker" has arrived! The Book signing party is Aug. 8! The Steve's Wine bar link to reservations is <https://www.steveswinebar.com/product/Steinel-Book-Launch-Party>

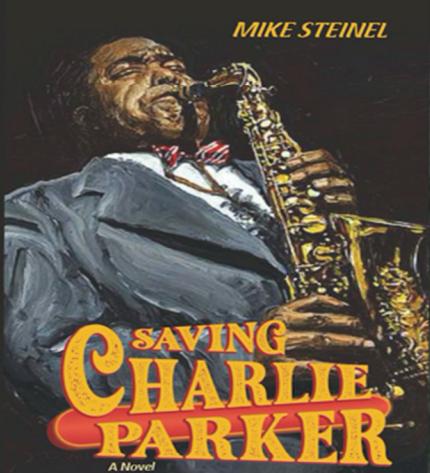
Ye afar, the novel is print on demand, so order it from your favorite local bookstore...takes the same amount of time as Amazon...

Launch Party/Book Signing
Saving Charlie Parker
(Novel/Audiobook/CD)

Monday Aug 8, 2022/Steve's Wine Bar
7PM - 9PM

The Mike Steinel Jazz Quintet
featuring Rosana Eckert
w/ Kelly Durbin (piano),
Steve Barnes (drums),
Chris McGuire (sax),
John Adams (bass),
Gary Eckert (percussion)
and guests.

1111 Industrial St, Denton, TX 76201

A painting of Charlie Parker playing a saxophone.

Author Reading and
Performance of Music from
Saving Charlie Parker
(CD on Rosewood Audio)

Reserve a seat
at <https://www.steveswinebar.com/product/Steinel-Book-Launch-Party>



Households for Prayer

Let us continue to uphold our households in prayer with these members for

August 2022

Morgan Minear
Carol Nance
Terry and Marlene Nobles
Hal and Pat Reed
Don Richards
Alexandria Rodriguez
Christopher Rodriguez
Irene Rodriguez

Session Meeting
Tuesday—August 10
at 7 PM

Disciples Cass -
meet each Sunday
at 9:30 AM

Deacons Meeting
Sunday— August 28
At 10:30 AM

Friend us on Facebook

FPC: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/FPCDentonTX/>



FPC Presbyterian Women: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PWDentonFPC/>

Find us on the web: <http://www.fpcdenton.org>





Prayer Concerns

Health Concerns: Pam A, Betty, Gerald B, Helen B, Lynda E, Pat H, Louise K, Dave M, Don R, Pat R, Joanna, Tami, and Irene R, Diana S, Michael S; Price and Margaret B, Brenda C, Sam C, Sherman C, Kathy K, Janie P (DCP). Gene F, Judy R, Darrell P (DCP), Sabrina R (DCP). Rev. Tim Keller. Robin and Alana, Linda and Laura L., Natalie and Jeremy.

Safety DCP Children, military personnel and first responders

August Birthdays

Anniversaries

- 6 B.K. Schlesinger
- 10 Pat Edell
- 13 Bill Cassidy
- 16 Don Richards
- 26 Beverly Hoch
- 30 Christopher Rodriguez
- 31 Chris Briggs

- 10 Terry and Marlene Nobles



"In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."



Celtic Cross deadline is August 28 for September publication.
Please send your news and articles to Newsletter@fpcdenton.org

Bible Readings

August 2022

- 1 John 1:1-18
- 2 John 1:19-28
- 3 John 1:29-42
- 4 John 1:43-51
- 5 John 2:1-12
- 6 John 2:13-25
- 7 Mark 4:35-41
- 8 John 3:1-21
- 9 John 3:22-36
- 10 John 4:1-26
- 11 John 4:27-42
- 12 John 4:43-54
- 13 John 5:1-18
- 14 Mark 5:25-34
- 15 John 5:19-29
- 16 John 5:30-47
- 17 John 6:1-15
- 18 John 6:16-27
- 19 John 6:27-40
- 20 John 6:41-51
- 21 Mark 6:1-6a
- 22 John 6:52-59
- 23 John 6:60-71
- 24 John 7:1-13
- 25 John 7:14-36
- 26 John 7:37-52
- 27 John 8:12-20
- 28 Matt. 5:1-12
- 29 John 8:21-32
- 30 John 8:33-47
- 31 John 8:47-59

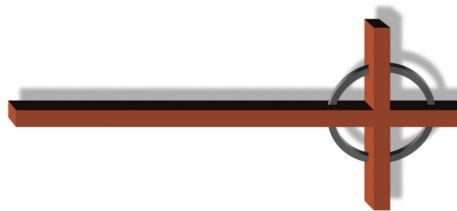
Source: PC(USA) Common
Lectionary

Aerobics

Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Erwin Hall - 8:30 am

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