

Celtic Cross

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Dear FPC Denton Church Family,

We grieve because we love. We grieve because we've lost the future we had expected to share. We grieve because we can't hold their hand, hear their laughter, or see their smile. Grieving can be a very painful experience. It is a "club" that no one wants to be a part of. We find ourselves still alive and that life keeps on going. So how do we live again? How do we move into our future without the one we love?

Grief Share is a wonderful program of 13 sessions that consists of a video and discussion time (and you are not required to talk if you don't want to). Then you have a workbook for daily readings and thoughts to help you process that week's topic. Here are a few of the topics covered: "Is this Normal?" "The Journey of Grief" "Why?" "Guilt and Anger" "Stuck" "Heaven" "What do I live for now?"

This is a support group. One of the things that a lot of people don't realize they lose out on is the support and witnessing to each other when they don't attend church. The same is true when one is grieving and you come to a support group like this. We are helped just by the presence of others sharing their journey of grief. Whether it has been years since your loved one has passed or just recently, come---walk with us as we walk with each other and with God.

Fridays from 1-3 p.m. in the Conference Room.

Blessings!

Debbie



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Love Notes from Pastor Debbie

It finally has cooled off just a bit from the 100+ degree temperatures we experienced this summer. We did get some rain which was lovely---except it was not so good for those that received the 12+ inches and subsequently flooded! The Denton Christian Preschool is back in session as well as the local schools, colleges and universities. Keep the students, teachers and all who work in this field in your prayers for a successful school year. We had such a great time at the 'Chips and Dogs and Sundae' Sunday. On Sunday, September 18, after service we will have a Luau with food brought in from the Hawaiian Brothers restaurant in Denton. Wear those bright Hawaiian clothes or wear a lei to add to the festivity. Hey, do they even sell that Hawaiian Punch that was so popular years ago? Remember that ad? But please, don't punch anybody out! And just another reminder:

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.---Bible Study and Prayer Group in the Conference Room

Fridays at 1:00 p.m.---Grief Share Support Group in the Conference Room

First Tuesday of the Month at 10:00 a.m.---PW/Women's Circle Bible Study on the Sabbath

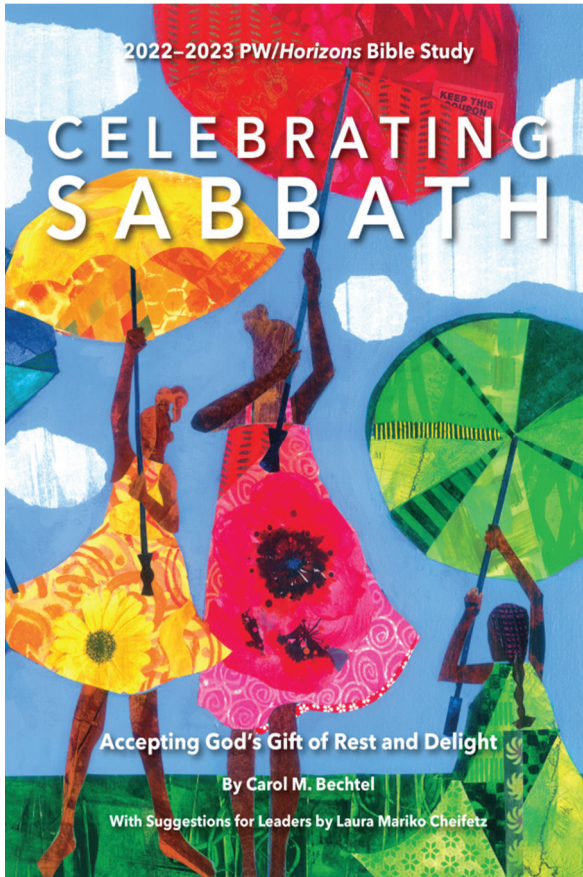
Here are the readings for September:

September 4: Labor Day weekend, Communion. Readings: Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18. Jeremiah 18: 1-11. Luke 14: 25-33. Philemon: 1-21 (the whole book). Sermon Title: "God at Work" Themes: Discipleship and God. Sermon Texts: Jeremiah 18 and probably all of the others.

September 11: Readings: Psalm 14. Jeremiah 4: 11-12, 22-28. Luke 15: 1-10. 1 Timothy 1: 12-17. Sermon Title: "Going After the One Sheep" Themes: Grace, Redemption, Forgiveness. Sermon Text: Luke 15.

September 18: Readings: Psalm 79: 1-9. Jeremiah 8: 18-9:1. Luke 16: 1-13. 1 Timothy 2: 1-7. Sermon Title: "Grief and Lament". Themes: Grief, Lament. Sermon Text: Jeremiah 8.

September 25: Readings: Psalm 91: 1-6, 14-16. Jeremiah 32: 1-3a, 6-15. Luke 16: 19-31. 1 Timothy 6: 6-19. Sermon Title: "There is Always Hope!" Themes: Providence, Help, Home. Sermon Texts: Jeremiah 32 primarily but may include the others. SERVICE OF HEALING AND WHOLENESS!



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 are here. Carol Nance

Lesson One
Sabbath and Celebration
Matthew 11:28—12:13

Dementia Friendly Worship

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church at 1424 Stuart Road, Denton is hosting a Dementia Friendly Worship Service. This will be at 2PM on the First Sunday of every month. - September—September 4th— It will be music heavy, uplifting and brief.

For more information, visit the website at www.dentoncpc.org or call (940) 387-6811.

Mission News

The Mission Committee has been busy with an abundance of projects!



We are currently working on updating the church directory. If you have had a change in your information, please contact Pat Edell in the church office to update your information.

This is the time of year that we assist Denton Christian Preschool with needed supplies. Contributions of consumable supplies such as paper towels, tissues, wet wipes, bandaids, glue sticks, etc. would be most appreciated. There will be a collection box in the narthex.

Our continuing project of feeding the hungry through the little free pantry is having great success. Contributions are being received from members of the community outside the church, and all items received are used. Some especially needed goods are canned goods with pop off tops, fruit cups, crackers with peanut butter or cheese, Vienna sausages, pasta, rice and beans. We are grateful for the alliance with the Denton Water Project, which has been supplying the ice chest, ice and bottled water next to the pantry.

We will soon have an exciting new (and colorful) Growth and Outreach project coming your way. Sally Callahan has been helping us prepare for this opportunity.

As if this has not been enough to keep the mission committee busy, we are researching and exploring new ways for us to serve those in need. We appreciate your contributions to our projects and your prayers for our direction.

September 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Birthday: Terry Nobles	2 Grief Share Support Group 1:00 PM	3 Anniversary: Gerald and Cheryl Briggs
4 Disciples Class 9:30 AM Worship 11 AM 	5	6 Women of the Church 10:30 Conference Room	7 Birthday: Jimmy Odihiri Ron Shenberger Bible Study and Prayer 10:00 AM	8	9 Grief Share Support Group 1:00 PM	10
11 Disciples Class 9:30 AM Worship 11 AM Mission 12:15 PM	12	13	14 Anniversary: Mike Steinel & Beverly Hoch Bible Study and Prayer 10:00 AM	15 Anniversary: Clay and Kelly Briggs	16 Grief Share Support Group 1:00 PM	17
18 Disciples Class 9:30 AM Worship 11 AM	19	20 Session 7 PM	21 Bible Study and Prayer 10:00 AM	22	23 Birthday: Isatu Choi Grief Share Support Group 1:00 PM	24 Birthday: Luke Briggs
25 Disciples Class 9:30 AM Deacons 10:30 AM Worship 11 AM Celtic Cross Deadline	26	27	28 Bible Study and Prayer 10:00 AM	29	30 Grief Share Support Group 1:00 PM	

	Session	
Class of 2022	Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Beverly Hoch	Jim Welborn	Terry Nobles (T)
Carol Nance (T)	Larry Harberson (T)	Vacant
Marlene Nobles (M)	Diaconate	Linn Welborn
Carolyn Smith		Diana Shenberger



Honoring all that serve . The Church office is closed on Labor Day,

Glasses found in our parking lot on Sunday, 8/28
Please call the church office at (940) 387—3894



*Thank you
Catherine Trausch
we will miss you!!*

CHANCEL CHOIR ~ Jacob Augsten, Director of Music
Soprano Michelle Augsten, Beverly Hoch, Morgan Minear, Kori Miller *
Alto Kate Stedman, Maiya Williams
Tenor Brandon Veazey *
Bass Chandler Hall, Brian DeStefano *, Christopher Rodriguez,

**Take a moment to welcome our new choir members: Kori Miller, Brian DeStefano, and Brando Veazey*



In the Kitchen

In 2002, Presbyterian Women at First Presbyterian Church published the revised edition of “In the Kitchen,” their favorite recipes. The first edition was published in 1993. The ladies of the church, and some men, provided their favorite recipes.

I hope you enjoy looking back at these glimpses of times past.

Jim Welborn

Onion Salad

(page 56)

½ c. sugar
1/3 c. water
1/3 ccider vinegar
1½ tsp. salt
4 Spanish onions
1 c. mayonnaise
1 tsp. celery seed

Combine sugar, water, vinegar, and salt in large glass bowl; stir until sugar is dissolved. Cut onions in halves; slice into thin slices. Add to vinegar mixture. Cover and refrigerate for at least 4 hours or overnight. Drain onions well in colander; do not rinse. Combine mayonnaise and celery seed in bowl; stir into onions. Refrigerate covered for 1 to 2 hours or several days.

Yield: 10-20 servings

Emma Jean Hall

Households for Prayer

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

September 2022

Judy Royal
Betty Schlesinger
Diana and Ron Shenberger
Carolyn and Steve Smith
Pastor Debbie Spangler
Kate Stedman
Mike Steinel and Beverly Hoch
David and Nancy Storrie

Mission Committee
meeting—CR
12:15
Sunday
September 11

Session meeting
CR
7:00 PM
Tuesday
September 20

Deacons meeting
CR
7:00 PM
Sunday
September 25

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

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

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Prayer Concerns

Health Concerns: Pam A, Betty, Gerald B, Helen B, Lynda E, Gene F, Bob H, Nadine H, 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.

Safety DCP Children, military personnel and first responders

September Birthdays

- 1 Terry Nobles
- 7 Jimmy Odihiri
- 7 Ron Shenberger
- 23 Isatu Choi
- 24 Luke Briggs



Anniversaries

- 3 Gerald and Cheryl Briggs
- 14 Mike Steinel and Beverly Hoch
- 15 Clay and Kelly Briggs

HOLY



COMMUNION

**You are invited to join us each
Sunday at 9:30 AM—Disciples
Class**

Communion September 4th

Celtic Cross deadline is September 25th for the October issue.
Please send your news and articles to Newsletter@fpcdenton.org

Bible Readings
September 2022

- 1 John 9:1–17
- 2 John 9:18–41
- 3 John 10:1–18
- 4 Matt. 5:13–20
- 5 John 10:19–30
- 6 John 10:31–42
- 7 John 11:1–16
- 8 John 11:17–29
- 9 John 11:30–44
- 10 John 11:45–54
- 11 Matt. 5:21–26
- 12 John 11:55—12:8
- 13 John 12:9–19
- 14 John 12:20–26
- 15 John 12:27–36a
- 16 John 12:36b–43
- 17 John 12:44–50
- 18 Matt. 6:1–6, 16–18
- 19 Luke (1:1–4) 3:1–14
- 20 Luke 3:15–22
- 21 Luke 4:1–13
- 22 Luke 4:14–30
- 23 Luke 4:31–37
- 24 Luke 4:38–44
- 25 Matt. 13:44–52
- 26 Luke 5:1–11
- 27 Luke 5:12–26
- 28 Luke 5:27–39
- 29 Luke 6:1–11
- 30 Luke 6:12–26

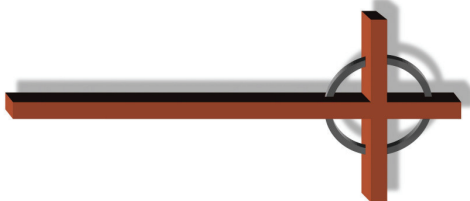
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Lectionary

Aerobics

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

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