

THE SERVANTS' LIGHT

Monthly publication from First Presbyterian Church of Joliet

SMALL GROUPS

Life Group:

Young adults and up
Sundays 9-9:45am in
Hoffman Hall

PraiseYoga:

T @ 6:30 pm/
Th @ 8:30 am
in the Narthex

Centering Prayer:

Tuesdays @ 1pm
in Room 210

Worship Service:

Each Sunday @ 10am
and Online anytime

Children's Worship:

After Time with
Children each Sunday
(ages 3 to 11)



TRUNK N TREAT

**Wednesday October 23rd
6pm-7:30pm**

The parking lot transformed, now full of opened trunks decorated to the nines. The smell of hot chili dogs. The sound of giggling children in a bounce house, the clucks of chickens and other animals in the petting zoo. Even the youngest kids in the crowd find nothing to be scared of, no tricks here. Treat bags feel too empty, ready to be filled with candy and game prizes.

For over 15 years First Pres has proudly continued this tradition.

Trunk N Treat is an amazing opportunity to connect with the community, and provide a safe alternative to traditional trick or treating.

Your support of this ministry is what keeps it going year after year. Luckily, this ministry is super fun to support. Volunteers are needed to help set up, clean up, and serve food. And of course, the most fun, we need trunks. Get your friends and family involved, the more the merrier! Trunks can be as simple or elaborate as you'd like, with any family-friendly theme you can think of.

Any amount of donated time and effort is more than worth it to see the hundreds of grinning kids tugging their families trunk to trunk, having a blast because they are at First Presbyterian Church of Joliet.

9/12/24

SESSION NOTES

- Stewardship Council and Building and Grounds continue to address numerous projects around the church and we are very grateful for everyone involved and all of their work.
- Session approved an Advent Concert on December 6th, featuring Harvest Arts
- Session discussed the preaching tradition of FPJ and the importance of God's word in today's worship. The various gifts that each person brings to the pulpit are a blessing to the church by providing different preaching voices and styles, adding creativity, perhaps a new way of looking at a Bible verse and, in the end, edifying the church. Session, through Worship Council, is committed to encouraging each Pastor to be sensitive to the cultural context of the congregation, respecting the current economic, social, and political climates in their message.

PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Planning
Mission Study
Data Evaluation
Resume Evaluations
Interviews
Pastor Visits
Pastor Selection
Pastor Acceptance

The PNC is currently conducting interviews with the top candidates. We are excited to speak with them as we continue to diligently and thoroughly work to find the person best suited for First Pres.

MIDWEEK

**Wednesday nights
Through April 30th
(occasional breaks for holidays)**

5pm-7:15pm

5-6pm Soar High Program (3yrs - 8th grade)
-Singing and instrument lessons for 5yrs-8th
-Bible lesson, arts, and activities for 3yrs-8th
6pm Fellowship Dinner for all
6:45pm Adult Bible Study and Kids rec time

PROJECT LINUS

**Every 4th Monday of the month
September 23rd and October 28th at 9am
Hoffman Hall**

Get together to make some simple no-sew blankets to be donated to children in need in our community. No experience required.

FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**The first Saturday of every month
8:30am-10am**

Every month our faithful Night Deacons host a free Pancake Breakfast. The meal is open for everyone to partake. You can support this ministry by participating, volunteering to help, and helping to spread the word to those who might benefit from a free meal.

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**Save the Date
October 23rd
6pm-7:30pm**

Start brainstorming your costume and trunk decorations!

SERVE DAY

November 9th at 8am

Sign up to serve alongside our Night Deacons packing meals at MorningStar Mission.