

THE SERVANTS' LIGHT

Monthly publication from First Presbyterian Church of Joliet

FALL AT FIRST PRES BACK TO CHURCH

Sunday September 7th

FPJ will celebrate the return of fall programming such as the Soar High/Midweek program (starting 9/17). To mark this celebration there will be ice cream served at the fellowship coffee hour after the worship service.

SOAR HIGH

**Wednesdays 5:30pm-7:25pm
September 17th - April 29th**

Register today



Kids age 3 through 8th graders are invited to register for Soar High. Soar High begins at 5:30pm with a Music class, dinner for all at 6:15pm, and a Bible class at 6:50pm. Kids will be in groups of their similar-aged peers for both Music and Bible. Music class involves singing and playing varied instruments such as handbells, xylophones, marimba, piano, drums, and more. Bible includes a story lesson, and games and crafts based on the lesson. Spots are limited so register today!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

**Wednesdays 6:50-7:25 pm
September 17th - April 29th**

While the kids and youth are in their Bible Study classes after dinner, Pastor Bo runs an Adult Bible Study. This time is for adults to have a casual yet guided discussion on selected texts from the Bible.

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

Dinner Out Group:

September 11th @6pm
Cookie's Restaurant in Minooka

Prayer Group:

Thursdays @10am
in Fireside Room starting 9/4

Worship Service:

Each Sunday @ 10am and
Online anytime

Children's Worship:

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

August 2025

SESSION NOTES

- Session did not meet in August but the councils are all working to put together a busy fall season.

SOAR HIGH/MIDWEEK

Wednesdays 5:30-7:25pm
Sep. 17th - April 29th

5:30-6:10pm: MUSIC
6:15-6:45pm: DINNER
6:50-7:25pm: BIBLE

Music classes will include a variety of different style of music. Students will be grouped by age, ability, and skill level. Bible lessons will be age-appropriate with games/arts and crafts.

Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers up to age 2.

More info and registration on our website. Spots are limited so sign up now.

DIRECTORY PHOTO DAY

October 7th 2pm-8:30pm

Our church directory will not be complete without you. Join us to celebrate faith and family with our new church family album.

Everyone who is photographed by Universal will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a directory.

PHOTO APPOINTMENTS

October 7th 2pm-8:30pm

To schedule your photo appointment

Schedule online at www.ucdir.com

- click 'photography appointment scheduling log in'
- enter 'iL448' in the 'church code' field
- enter 'photos' in the 'church password' field
- Online scheduling is available M-F
- If you have 6 or more in your family please use 2 consecutive time slots.

Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time.

PRAYER GROUP

Thursdays at 10am in Fireside Room
Starting 9/4

Join together in prayer.

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DINNER OUT GROUP

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Meet at Cookie's Restaurant in Minooka.
103 W Mondamin St

Contact Carol Kline to be included in the reservation.

CHURCH PICNIC

September 21st

Mark your calendar for the First Pres Annual Church Picnic. Stay after worship to grab some lunch and spend some quality time with your faith family, and maybe even enjoy some live music.

CHOIR

Chancel Choir will resume on the Wednesday night following Labor Day at 7:30 pm. and continue weekly to prepare and perform anthems each Sunday through our regular choir season (Sept. - May).

HANDBELL CHOIR

Handbell choir practices are each Thursday with a new meeting time of 6:30pm

MISSION OF THE MONTH



Siloam Eye Hospital

Siloam Eye Hospital is a Korean medical institution founded by the grace of God. It is a hospital devoted to medical missions work. Following Christ's example of love and healing, the Siloam Eye Hospital aims to bring Light—through free eye treatment, blindness prevention, and eyesight-recovery operations—to those suffering at home (in Korea) and abroad.

“At the age of ten, I lost both my eyes and my parents due to the Korean War. Becoming orphaned and blind brought many challenges, but by God's grace and the help of an American Presbyterian missionary, I was able to study in a regular school and become a pastor.” – Rev Sun-Tae Kim, Director of Siloam Eye Hospital

The Siloam Eye Hospital was founded in 1986 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Christianity's advent into Korea. A hospital devoted to treating every patient as one would a family member. A hospital striving for holistic healing—one that not only illuminates the physical eyes of patients, but also the mental and spiritual as well. A hospital dedicated to providing the state-of-the-art medical services in an optimal environment.

How do we help?

First Presbyterian Church of Joliet supports Siloam Eye Hospital and its many missions with financial donations. Monetary contributions support the very core of Siloam Eye Hospitals mission of providing the highest quality eye care, treatment & blindness prevention, as well as eyesight-recovery operations for those otherwise without access or without means to pay for their eye care. Our Mission Council is donating a portion of their budget to support this ministry. As a community and as individuals we also pray for the thousands of loving folks who provide this mission service both in Korea and abroad, and we pray that those in need are able to connect with these professionals and receive the care they need.

A Prayer for Siloam Eye Hospital:

Lord, as you stopped on the road to heal the blind man, please stop at this time to heal our world. From the many physical needs that your people face, to the emotional wounds many carry with them, this world, our world, needs your touch. Lord, especially we pray for those that are an extension of that love to the needy, to the blind, those that labor in the medical field, and help the hopeless. Let their hearts be encouraged as they do your work. Let their work be blessed, so they can bring comfort and healing. Heal our world today oh Lord. Amen

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