

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 29, 2024

TODAY,

- The Outreach and Service Ministry is hosting a **quilt exhibit titled "A Race against Race"** in the Gathering Place. The quilts were created by Quilt Artist/Activist Carol Burnside. Carol, who is visiting today, is the daughter of Wade and Sarah Burnside, a child of this church; Carol serves as an Episcopal priest in Baltimore, MD.
- **GET TO KNOW STEWART!** at 10:00 am in Upper Witherspoon
- The **GET TO KNOW FUPC** progressive dinner begins in the Church Library at 5:30pm

The calendar for the remainder of the week may be found at the end of the announcements.

Every Sunday in September will be a NAMETAG SUNDAY!
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ARE YOU NEW TO FUPC? We would like to get to know you. Please use the QR Code on the back of this page or type fupcfay.org/links in your browser. You will see a menu of buttons. Please select the button that says, "New to FUPC?" Let us know how to contact you and how we can best help you. Thank you!

If you need to **email Stewart**, his email while he is our Senior Transitional Pastor is pastor@fupcfay.org.

Please use the Instant Church Directory App to find **CONTACT INFORMATION**. If you need assistance with connecting with a church member or information about the app, please call the Church Office and the church staff will be happy to assist you.

The last **GET TO KNOW STEWART!** event will be Wednesday, October 9 at 4:00 pm at the home of Sara and Jeff Koenig. Go to fupcfay.org/meet-stewart (or use the button in the Weekly Update) for the sign-up link. If you have any questions or would like help signing up, please call the church office.

Mitch Miller, Synod Leader for the Synod of the Sun will be visiting and preaching here on Sunday, October 13.

The congregation has been invited to three events in October.

- **NEW BEGINNINGS** is celebrating their third anniversary! They will have an open house Saturday, October 12, from 1:00 to 3:30 PM at 251 W 19th St.
- **UNITED CAMPUS MINISTRY** is celebrating the 60th anniversary of their building at 902 W Maple St. October 11 and 12. For more information contact Kristi Button at ucmkristi@gmail.com.
- **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BENTONVILLE'S** 2024 Clabaugh Speaker Series "**Creation Care for Our Living Planet**" with climate scientist Dr. Rick Lindroth will be October 20 and 21. Flyers are available in the Gathering Place.

A new **Womens Bible Study Group** will be starting soon. The group will have its first meeting on October 18. They plan to meet weekly on Fridays at noon in the Church Library. The discussion will be led by Lorraine Brewer and the contact person for the group is Nancy Cain.

Our annual **FALL FESTIVAL** has become a favorite of both church families and First School families. It is an afternoon of outdoor fun for all ages that will feature a large inflatable slide, an inflatable toddler maze, a photo booth, a bug display, line dancing, games, and crafts. This year there will be a picnic too! The event will be on **October 26 from 3-5pm with picnic food being served at 4pm**. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Diane Warren or Carol Van Scyoc.

COOPERATIVE EMERGENCY OUTREACH (CEO) CURRENT NEEDS: cold cereal (12-20 oz box) and peanut butter (regular size) **ALWAYS NEEDED:** canned fruit (regular size).

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES:

- **CEO needs volunteers!** They are looking for substitutes for their regular volunteers. If you are interested, please call or text David Clay.
- **Circles of NWA needs volunteers to assist with Wednesday evening meal prep and cleanup at FUPC.** If you are interested, there is a link in the Weekly Update to sign-up or call Elizabeth Houle.

NEED A LINK? Use the QR code to the right or type fupcfay.org/links in your browser. You will see a menu of buttons to access:

- First Worship Guide
- Late Service Bulletin
- Announcements
- Giving Form
- Contact Information Form for Visitors
- Current Issue of Weekly Update (contains sign-up links and more detailed information)



One QR code for everything all in an easy to find convenient place.

There are several ways to make **FINANCIAL GIFTS** to the church. One is by texting GIVE to 479-323-2609. More information and options can be found at fupcfay.org/give.

Please submit any **announcements for the bulletin or Weekly Update** to Amy Rossetti (Communications@fupcfay.org) by Thursday at noon.

The **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR** begins at **10AM** on Sunday mornings.

There is Sunday School for ages 3 through 12th grade in Lower Knox.

- Joy-us Group for Ages 3 – 1st Grade meets in the corner room.
- God’s Gardeners for 2nd – 5th Grade meets in the yellow room.
- Epic Youth for 6th – 12th Grade meets in the blue room.

There are two adult discussion groups.

- **The Present Word** focuses on specific biblical texts and themes (Calvin 201 and Zoom 2). The curriculum for the fall focuses on leaders, songs and psalms from the Old Testament.
- **Thoughtful Christians** discusses various spiritual and theological topics in depth (Church Library and Zoom 1). This fall they will discuss *The Shaping of Things to Come: Innovation and Mission for the 21st-Century Church* by Michael Frost & Alan Hirsch.

Calendar for September 30 – October 5

Tuesday	4:00pm	Bells on the Hill (Sanctuary)
Wednesday	6:30am	Men’s Prayer Breakfast (Village Inn)
	2:00pm	Deacon Communion Delivery Prep (Calvin 201)
	6:00pm	Youth Group (Lower Witherspoon)
	7:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Thursday	5:30pm	Worship Ministry Team Meeting (Zoom 1)
Friday	10:00am	Hooks and Needles (Upper Witherspoon)