

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 5, 2026

There will be a special offering for Community Emergency Outreach (CEO) during the final hymn.

CEO CURRENT NEEDS: mac-n-cheese (boxes), laundry detergent pods, and deodorant

CEO News:

- **In the first 3 months of 2026,** CEO assisted 1,609 family members: checks to providers totaled \$53,338 and food to families totaled \$35,546. FUPC donations to CEO totaled \$7,061.
- **In May of 2026:** CEO distributed \$28,494 to assist families: utilities (47.8%), rent (44.8%), purchased food (5.5%), clothes (1.5%), prescriptions & other (0.4%). CEO was open for 20 days and assisted 604 family members (206 families)!
- **CEO is an all-volunteer organization.** If you are interested in volunteering, please contact David Clay.

FRESHEN UP CALVIN PROJECT UPDATE: The Session recently approved the "Freshen Up Calvin Task Force" in anticipation of a new Head of Staff/Senior Pastor joining FUPC. As it has been approximately 25 years since Calvin last received new paint and carpeting, this project will focus on updating the paint, carpet, and lighting in the office area, classrooms, library, hallways, and bathrooms. Additionally, Witherspoon Activity Center and the Youth Room will receive a fresh coat of paint.

The task force has been meeting weekly to select paint and carpet options and is currently securing bids from local companies. We aim to begin work in mid-July and complete the project by September.

This is an extensive project, and we will need assistance from church members. While the professional installers will move heavy furniture, we are responsible for packing books and other items in each room. Please watch for future email announcements regarding when your help will be needed.

We are blessed with wonderful facilities that serve both our church and the wider community. While we expect some inconveniences during the refurbishment, we look forward to enjoying these updated spaces for many years to come. If you have questions, please contact Barbara Verdery or Stewart Smith.

The **FUPC Crafters** will meet at the home of Carol Van Scyoc at 6:00pm, July 6 for a decoupage craft. All supplies are provided.

Do you have your Summer BINGO card? We are heading into the summer months this year riding the wave of our very successful and fun BINGO night. **We have a summer BINGO card with a twist.** Rather than numbers, these cards are full of ways to stay engaged with FUPC over the summer months. Work to cross off as many activities as you can. The directions are on the back of the cards. You can pick them up on Sundays or in the office. Let's stay connected to our faith and to one another. Questions? – please contact Kristi Button.

BUNCO NIGHT: Please save the evening of July 24 (from 6:00pm – 8:00pm) for a time to gather with your church family for fun and fellowship. If you have a Bunco set that the church can borrow for that evening, please let Amanda McDonald know. If you attend, you can mark off the "Play Board Games" square on your summer Bingo Card. If you bring a friend or sit by someone new, you can mark off one of those squares too.

Our **Summer Sunday Morning Book Study** has begun. The group is reading and discussing **Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America, A Guide to Reclaiming the Good News of God's Grace** by Ted V. Foote Jr. and P. Alex Thornburg. Please see the Weekly Update for links to more information about the book. The group meets in Upper Witherspoon. The coffee is ready, and the doors open at 9:15am. Discussion begins at 9:30am. A copy of the book is not required! On the Sunday mornings that the group meets, childcare is available. Questions? – please contact Rev. Stewart Smith.

PRESBYTERIANS IN THE PARK: This summer, we are once again planning meetups in Gulley Park for the free outdoor summer concerts sponsored by the City of Fayetteville. Come enjoy a relaxing evening in the park with your church family! The concerts are on Thursday evenings from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. **The last concert of the series is July 9.**


VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Our congregation will be joining with First Presbyterian, Springdale, **at the FUPC campus** this summer for Vacation Bible Study. **SAVE JULY 13 to 17 from 9am to Noon.** We are going to be a Pilot VBS for a new curriculum called "Plenty to Share" from the Society of St. Andrew Organization, which is a group that helps feed hungry people in communities around the world. If you would like to register a child, volunteer or have questions, please contact Kristi Button at kbutton@fupcfay.org.

During the month of July there will not be weekly emails. **The Friday, June 26, edition of the Weekly Update covered all church news for the month of July.** Hopefully, the Weekly Update will be back Friday, August 7, with lots of information to share with you about events in August and September.

A note from the Earth Care Task Force: We're on a roll! Starting June 1, the City of Fayetteville has upgraded to a simple rolling cart recycling system for residents at home (and for facilities like FUPC), that will increase participation, is safer for workers, and more effective at keeping waste out of our landfill. The new blue carts are to be rolled out to our trash/recycling enclosure on Sunday afternoon for Monday morning pickup. Detailed instructions are posted around our campus (in the kitchen, inside the trash/recycling building). **This task takes only 5-10 minutes on Sunday and volunteers are needed. Please contact Denny Nelson, if you can help.**

Spiritual Growth/Sunday School will be taking a break for the summer. There is a Summer Sunday Morning Book Study for adults, please see the announcement above for details. Classes/Groups will resume meeting on Kick-off Sunday, September 13. Our 10:00am Fellowship Time will continue through the summer. During this summer break, the Church Nursery will be staffed from 9:45am to 11:45am. It is open earlier as needed for the Summer Sunday Morning Book Study.

For additional **GIVING AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES** please use this link to the church website: fupcfay.org/current-needs or use the QR code below and select "Outreach Opportunities".

<p>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:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worship Guide• Announcements• Giving Form• Contact Information Form for Visitors• Current Issue of Weekly Update (contains sign-up links and details)• Current Opportunities to Give and Serve• Sunday School Information• Time and Talent Form	
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ARE YOU NEW TO FUPC? We would like to get to know you. Please use the QR Code **above** 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!

CONTACT INFORMATION can be found in the Instant Church Directory App. If you need assistance connecting with a church member or information about the app, please call the Church Office (442-4411) and the church staff will be happy to assist you.

Friendly Reminder #1: Please help us care for one another by leaving designated handicapped parking spaces available for those who need them. On Sunday mornings, all the spaces in the parking lot next to the sanctuary are dedicated handicap spots. Thank you for your kindness and consideration!

Friendly Reminder #2: During the month of July, please email final copy for the printed bulletin announcements to officemanager@fupcfay.org, by 5:00 pm the Wednesday prior to your desired publication date.

THIS WEEK AT FUPC - Calendar for July 6 to July 10

Monday	6:00pm	FUPC Crafters (Home of Carol Van Scyoc)
	7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday	7:00pm	Gamblers Anonymous (Lower Witherspoon)
Wednesday	6:30am	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Village Inn)
	3:30pm	Earth Care Taskforce (Church Library)
	4:00pm	Communion Service (BTV Chapel)
	5:30pm	Outreach Committee Meeting (Calvin 201)
Thursday	7:00pm	Presbyterians in the Park (Gulley Park)
Friday	10:00am	Hooks and Needles