



NEW VISION

The congregation partnered with the boys and girl scouts for Rise Against Hunger last month.

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Deepening Our Discipleship

BY REV. REBECCA LUTER

As many of you know from the Wednesday night series Doug and I led several years ago, I love children's books. As I began my Sabbatical this weekend, the first thing I did was read 3 children's books that I had ordered this Spring and not yet had time to read. Grandpa's Window is about a grandchild visiting her grandfather in the hospital and her grief as he died. What in the World Is Wrong with Gisbert is about a giraffe who goes to school and shrinks every time someone comments negatively about him, until his mother encourages him to tell his friends that their words were making him sad. The friends didn't know that their words were hurting him, and they apologize. Then, they turn the very same comments into complements, and Gisbert is restored. The final book was My Elephant Is Blue, about a child who woke up with an elephant to carry everywhere. Mom, Dad, brother, and sister all try to help to no avail. It is only when the child acknowledges and learns to live with the elephant that it no longer is crushing. In fact, it turns pink as they find joy together. The elephant is still there with the child, and there are times it begins to turn blue if the child doesn't give it attention, but now it also has turned other colors. Yellow is their favorite.

If you have children in your life who are going through a difficult time, or a life transition, Doug and I would be happy to help you find a book with discussion questions to help you navigate a healthy conversation.

I promised Sabbatical updates. The main project while I am on Sabbatical is to study peoples' experiences worshiping online. If you worship primarily online, I would like to know more about your experience. If you are willing to be interviewed, fill out a survey, or possibly participate in some Zoom gatherings of others who primarily worship online, please contact me at rluter@farmingtonpres.org and let me know.

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My other projects include doing a lot of reading - I'm reading a book on "social ministry" utilizing Facebook for small group discipleship - working in the yard and spending quality time with my family. I am listening to my body and resting more. I will be traveling to Columbia Theological Seminary next week to work in the library on Reformed Eucharistic Theology with a goal of writing about what we need to consider theologically in how we offer Communion online.

May God bless you, keep you, and be gracious to you. May God's presence shine brightly on you and within you, filling and surrounding you with shalom, the peace of wholeness.



Welcome
Tom Sauer

Our pastor, Rev. Rebecca Luter, is on Sabbatical for the summer months. She will return September 5th, 2023. We pray for rest and renewal as she spends time with family and continues her doctoral work. If you are in need of a pastor during this time, please contact Tom Sauer, who has been commissioned to serve Farmington Presbyterian while Rev. Luter is on leave. You may contact him at (901)651-7133 or GermantownTom@gmail.com.



POTLUCK SUNDAY JUNE 4TH

Bring a dish or simply gather for food and fellowship after worship on June 4th. There is always a gracious plenty. Also welcome Tom Sauers to the pulpit for the season of Rev. Rebecca's sabbatical.



Guess Who's Coming To Dinner?

JUNE 23, 2023 6PM



How does this work?

You sign up on the website and indicate how many you are bringing; whether you'd like to go for Italian, Mexican, Burgers, Pizza; and whether you prefer a dinner with kids included or not.

Sign up by June 21st. You will get an email or text on June 23rd with your restaurant assignment. A reservation will be made for your table. When you arrive, you will meet the others from the Farmington family who are dining with you!



FARMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN DAY SCHOOL



SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

Farmington Day School will be closed May 29- June 2 to prepare for an incredible summer schedule of events. Sign up now for any of our weeks below:

Week 1 - June 5- 9
Floating Into Summer

Week 6 - July 10- 14
Disney Mania

Week 2 - June 12- 16
V.B.S. Super Heroes

Week 7 - July 17- 21
Out of this World

Week 3 - June 19- 23
Creative Creations

Week 8 - July 24- 28
Made in Memphis

Week 4 - June 26- 30
Splashtastic

CLOSED - July 31- August 4
Teacher In-Service

Week 5 - July 5- 7
Red, White & Boom
(Closed- July 3 & 4)

**First Day of Preschool
Classes**
August 7

Holiday Care
August 7 & 8



Farmington Presbyterian's Annual Spaghetti Dinner

Supporting the Mexico Mission Trip

Thursday, June 15th at 6pm
Fellowship Hall
Donations only.

COME

Invite your friends and family, and enjoy
an evening of good food and fellowship.

CAN'T STAY?

To-go dinners will be available.
Pick-up at 5:30pm

PRAY

for the mission team (July 31-August 5) as
they build cisterns to provide clean water
for families.

SESSION REPORT

Session rejoiced to welcome Meredith Oest by Affirmation of Faith into full membership of Farmington Presbyterian. The proposed FPDS 2023-24 budget was approved as were changes to the 2023-24 Wage Rate Scale. Angela Horne was reinstated to church membership. Budget requests for new carpet and paint in the Sanctuary and East Room were approved. Merry Bonner was elected to serve a second 3-year term on Farmington Presbyterian Day School Board. A motion to begin a MOPS group at Farmington, led by Jenn Paine, was considered and approved. A request for GUMC to borrow a bus on June 16th, to be driven by an FPC bus driver, was approved. A motion was approved for Paul King to provide Pulpit Supply for 11am worship on May 28, 2023. Doug Barr and Paul King were elected as commissioners to the May 23rd meeting of the Presbytery of the Mid-South.

Come enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Scott Hutchens and give generously to support our Mexico Mission team. Our next opportunity to assist with building cisterns in the Yucatan is July 31-August 5. Be in prayer for our team as they prepare to depart for this incredible ministry.



Play Ball!

Join Farmington in the Cardinal Suite, July 26!

Join us at Autozone Park for a Redbirds game with the Farmington Family, July 26 at 7pm. Tickets are \$25, \$100 family maximum with the church! Sign up on our website and please pay for your ticket in the church office. Receive indoor/outdoor seating, A/C, Colas, and popcorn!

\$25 tickets

\$100 Family Maximum

Sign up on at Farmingtonpres.org



JUNE 12 - 16

We would love to fill our classes with children from the neighborhood as well as Summer Camp. Invite your friends and neighbors to a week of fun at Farmington.

If you would like to help out, volunteer as a station leader or crew leader by contacting doug@farmingtonpres.org.

Registration is on our website, www.farmingtonpres.org.

Participants in FPDS Day school will automatically attend. They do not need to register.

Active Shooter Training



Germantown Police Department will be providing Active Shooter and Medical Training in the Sanctuary at Farmington Presbyterian on Saturday, September 23rd, at 10am. Mark your calendars, invite your friends and neighbors, and plan to attend.

September 23
10am
in the Sanctuary



Picnic at Johnson Road Park





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AGAINST HUNGER





Sunday Worship Online

Join us, Sunday mornings for worship on YouTube. You can find us through our website, www.Farmingtonpres.org, or on YouTube at www.youtube.com/c/farmingtonpresbyterian. Don't forget to subscribe so you never miss our services or video events.

And don't forget to like, share, and hit that subscribe button!



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 4 Kay Patterson
- 6 Anthony Jones
- 8 Tyler Paine
- 10 Nathan Williams
- 12 Walker Ward
- 12 Mary Lou Collins
- 13 Vesta Andrews
- 14 Sandy Wann
- 16 Tony Howard
- 18 LeAnn Leonard
- 22 Brandon Wann
- 23 Bo Bradham
- 23 Jerry Renfrow
- 24 Jean Wiseman
- 27 Rhonda Byrne
- 30 William Ingram
- 30 Shelley Wann
- 30 Simone Bourgeois

Staff Extensions

- Rev. Rebecca Luter, Pastor, Ext. 3134
- Doug Barr, Director of Christian Education, Ext. 3130
- Polly Knight, Financial Records Keeper, Ext. 3136
- Shelley Wann, Church Office Administrator, Ext. 3131
- Gretchen Burch, Director of Day School, Ext. 3132
- Andrea Soto, Assistant Director of Day School, Ext. 3138
- Anthony Jones, Maintenance Technician

Session Members

- Moderator - Rev. Rebecca Luter
- Administration – Ann Erickson
- Congregational Life - Becky Hutchins
- Christian Education – Doug Barr
- Clerk – Laurinda Ingram
- Discipleship - Bonnie Blair & Paul King
- Property and Grounds – Bob Plotner
- School Board – Mike Schneider
- Service – Jinney Hart
- Treasurer—Melissa Still
- Worship –Jackie Hall



Content for the July New Vision newsletter is due Tuesday, June 20th.
Email articles and event information to Shelley Wann at shelley@farmingtonpres.org



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