

**The People You Meet**

The number of people you meet when you work or volunteer for South Frankfort Presbyterian Church is amazing. Gary Stoltz and I seized the opportunity to serve Sunday lunch at ACCESS Soup Kitchen and Men's Shelter, and as a result, we met a multitude of people. As Gary and I were preparing to serve our regular meal of ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans and dessert, I walked Phil, a Sunday School teacher from Peaks Mill Christian Church. Phil asked if he and three of his high school Sunday School students could volunteer their time and help serve lunch. We gladly accepted Phil's offer, and for the next hour or so we rubbed elbows with Phil, Jordan, Jason and Noah while dishing out lunches. Jason, one of the students, said grace after we bowed our heads, and we then served lunch to more than 50 people. After finishing up with our lunch duties, Gary and I shook hands with them, and we now have 4 new friends.

The many people we met while serving lunch were of all ages, with the youngest being a little boy about 2 years old (he arrived with his mom pushing his stroller), and the oldest being about 80 years old. Some of the faces were familiar, and there were some new faces as well. They were all appreciative, and thanked us for providing a delicious, hot meal on a cold, winter afternoon. During a lull in the action, I sat down and ate lunch with several of our customers. They were very nice as well, and one even asked me about SFPC, and I invited her to attend a worship service at our church.

It turns out that serving lunch at the ACCESS Soup Kitchen is a great way to meet people. In addition to sharing the resources that we have been given, you get to share a smile and a "good afternoon." SFPC serves lunch on the second Sunday of each month. Let Beth Avent or me know if you would like to join us.

*Rob Moore, Clerk of Session*

"When God measures man, he puts the tape around his heart – not his head." Guidepost



**A Prayer for President's Day**

Lord of heaven and earth, we offer you our deepest gratitude for this country and the freedom to worship you. Stir up a sense of stewardship so we all may care for our nation and each inhabitant of it.

We pray especially for our leaders, that you will bless them with wisdom and humility. Prompt everyone in positions of authority to pursue righteousness, justice and the welfare of all.

Remind us of the psalmist's teaching: "Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord" (Psalm 33:12, NRSV). May that promise be fulfilled "from sea to shining sea." **Amen.**



**Love Makes Us Worthy**

Unlike God, who loves unconditionally, humans often make choices and set limits when doling out affection. But Thomas Merton reminds us, "Our job is to love others without stopping to inquire whether or not they are worthy. That is not our business and, in fact, it is nobody's business. What we are asked to do is to love, and this love itself will render both ourselves and our neighbors worthy."

As for how to develop and maintain that type of love? Merton shares, "It is in deep solitude that I find the gentleness with which I can truly love my [neighbors]."



**Meetings and Activities**

**Wednesday, February 12**

5:45 ... Bell Choir Rehearsal  
 7:00 ... Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday, February 13**

5:00 ... Buildings & Grounds Mtg.

**Friday, February 14**

**Sunday, February 16**

10:00 ... Counterpoints & Faith in Action Adult classes  
 10:00 ... Children's & Mid-School Sunday School Classes  
 11:00 ... In person & Facebook Worship Service, Rev. Marissa Carver  
 12:00 ... Session Meeting  
 3:00 ... **SFPC VBS Winter Pop Up-Kids Kindness Night**  
 Three year olds-6th grade, games, crafts and pizza  
 5:00 ... **Montreat Informational Meeting**



**Monday, February 17 President's Day The Office is open.**

2:00 ... Bridge  
 4:30 ... Knitting



**Wednesday, February 19**

5:45 ... Bell Choir Rehearsal  
 7:00 ... Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, February 23**

10:00 ... Counterpoints & Faith in Action Adult classes  
 10:00 ... Children's & Mid-School Sunday School Classes  
 11:00 ... In person & Facebook Worship Service, Rev. Marissa Carver

**Monday, February 24**

2:00 ... Bridge  
 4:30 ... Knitting

**Worship Sunday**

Attendance: **Feb 9, 2024**  
 SFPC in person Worship: **65**  
**Join us Sundays- 11:00 a.m., also online service.**  
 During our live streaming time, you can go to

**YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4CSlbfKanCM> or to  
**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/sfpcchurch/videos/2374137839449590>

The next week, you may go to [www.sfpcy.org](http://www.sfpcy.org), the church's website and choose "Videos."

**If not in the service please consider**

**donating one of two ways:**

1. Mail a check to: South Frankfort Presbyterian Church 224 Steele Street, Frankfort, KY 40601.
2. Click the green "Give Now" button on our website at [sfpcy.org](http://sfpcy.org). You can start and manage your account, and even set up repeating donations.

**Feb. 9, 2024 Offering: \$1,006.00**

**Prayer List**

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| Lilly Ann Brooks        | Glenda Harned           |
| Mattie Baker Scott      | Dottie Herzel           |
| Jackie Hensley's Family | Jane Wilson             |
| Nancey Belle Smith      | Pam Orcutt              |
| Tammy Stanley           | Mark Tucker             |
| Shirley White           | Chris Mason             |
|                         | <b>Jennifer Grisham</b> |

*Names remain on the Prayer List for four weeks unless the request is long term. To add or retain people with their permission, email or call the church office.*

- 2/01 Skip Averell  
Erik Jarboe  
Rebecca Brooke Talley
- 2/04 Robin Antenucci
- 2/06 Janice Collins  
Emily Leamon
- 2/08 Pat Greer  
Carole Hackett
- 2/16 Madelyn Gates  
Jane Wilson
- 2/17 Tim Metzger
- 2/21 Susan Moore
- 2/22 Rocky Stoltz (Child)
- 2/23 Chris Jones
- 2/24 Alice Delambre
- 2/25 Judith Rydman
- 2/26 Beckett Kimbleton
- 2/27 Anne Colly Rose
- 2/28 Karen Crabtree Bergman



**Volumes 8 & 9 of The New Interpreter's Bible are missing from the library shelves in the Third Street foyer of the church. If you borrowed them, please return them. They are black with turquoise on the spine cover. Thank you!**

SFPC Vacation Bible School pop up- ONE NIGHT

Join us for the SFPC VBS pop up winter edition  
**KIDS KINDNESS NIGHT**  
**2/16/2025 from 3-5 pm**  
 for a night of fun and friendship. Drop off your 3-yr old to 6<sup>th</sup> grader for games, crafts and pizza.

MONTREAT YOUTH CONFERENCE 2025

Are you interested in attending **Montreat 2025?**  
 SFPC will be hosting an interest meeting on **2/16/2025 from 5-6 pm**

**SPRING GATHERING PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF MID-KENTUCKY "Thrive in 2025"**  
 Saturday, March 15, 2025  
 9:15 a.m. Coffee and Fellowship  
 10:00 a.m. Gathering and Worship  
 12 Noon Luncheon \$10.00 with Registration  
 Westwood Presbyterian Church  
 4432 Greenwood Avenue, Louisville, KY 40211  
 Speaker: Reverend Shanea Fields-Leonard  
 More information in the weeks to come.