

Weekly Update

Welcome to this Body of Christ in downtown Springfield. Every Sunday you are invited to 10:00 a.m. fellowship and coffee in the Commons. There is a second opportunity each Sunday morning after worship to meet new people and greet friends while sharing refreshments. The Commons is in the building addition north of the sanctuary.

Gracias! Cuba Stories January 12

This Sunday following worship last weeks delegation to cuba will be sharing stories and answering questions.

As parents of teenagers the church sponsored on this trip we are deeply grateful for your support.

~Linderman, Eastvold, Phillips-Levin and Pfeifer families

I really appreciate that you paid for me to go to Cuba. I know that you didn't have to send me and that you had other choices. Thank you so much for choosing to send me.

I learned a lot about Cuban culture. For example, people do a lot more dancing there than in America. I also learned a lot about the history of Cuba.

I met a lot of amazing people while I was there. One of the ladies really liked me, and invited me over to her house to meet her dog. Two of the teenagers, Luis and Marena, spent a lot of time with me and we became very close.

Because of all this, I had a great time in Cuba, so thank you for sending me there. I couldn't have done it without your support.

Thank you so much,
~Charlie Eastvold

I would like to thank the church congregation for allowing me to travel to Cuba. It was not only my first mission trip but also my first trip outside of the country. In Cuba, I got to meet many new and friendly people as well as build stronger friendships with the other teens of First Pres. Thank you for an experience I will never forget.

~Evie Linderman

Thank you so much for allowing me the opportunity to go to Cuba. I loved meeting all the people and learning about their culture. I'm very grateful for this experience.

~Claire Pfeifer

I would like to give my thanks to the members of the church for the fantastic opportunity that was this trip to Cuba. Since first beginning to study Spanish at the end of eighth grade, I've wanted to travel to one of the twenty countries where the language primarily is spoken. Now, after four years of formal study, I've finally had the chance to do exactly that and the experience was even better than I could have ever imagined! I feel both my linguistic and people skills are significantly improved after meeting so many wonderful people at our sister church.

~Livya Phillips-Levin

Thank you to the church for allowing me this opportunity to explore the world. I am very grateful for this trip and I loved visiting Cuba. Thanks to the church for helping me make all these new friends!

~Ruby Phillips-Levin

Christmas Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who donated gifts to neighbor kids, who donated or distributed Christmas dinner, who sang, played, ushered or prayed at worship services, who invited a friend, who celebrated the birth of the Christ child among us. Thank you!

2020 Membership Directory

We are getting ready to update our Membership directory and add in our new photos from the picture directory. If you did not get your picture taken and would like to have one in the directory you can email a digital picture to michelle@lincolnschurch.org or drop a picture off with Michelle in the office.

Help the Environment

If you are donating disposable plates and cups please make sure that they are bio-degradable. No styrofoam or plastic please.

Thanks!

To our friends at First Presbyterian Church, Thanks!

The Joy of Movement

(The Joy of Movement is an adapted dance class for people with Parkinson's Disease that uses the commons every week for their class)

Facing Homelessness

View the works of local artists who painted portraits of local people experiencing homelessness. They have been clients or staff members at Helping Hands of Springfield. The goal of this exhibition is to "put a face" on a social and health issue that is often invisible.

January 4 through 23, 2020

Springfield Art Association, 700 N. Fourth Street, Springfield, IL 62702

Illinois Symphony Orchestra

Friday, January 24 | 7:30 p.m.

The Illinois Symphony Orchestra will be playing here at the First Presbyterian Church. It will be an evening of magnificent music featuring Mozart's masterful Sinfonia Concertante with Concertmaster Roy Meyer and Principal Viola Nicholas Jeffery. Jennifer Higdon's energetic To The Point and Stravinsky's rhythmically charged Dumbarton Oaks, inspired by Bach's Brandenburg Concertos, round out this playful program.

Food Pantry Wish List

If you would like to purchase items for our Samaritan Ministries food pantry, here are some suggestions.

Kleenex, shampoo and conditioner (small travel sizes)

Diapers (any size)

Overnight pads (any size)

Razors

Condiments are appreciated.

Tea bags, spam, canned salmon, rice mixes, & noodle mixes

Since winter is coming, gloves, mittens, hats and scarves

A helpful tip for purchasing pantry items: Go to the Dollar Tree, Dollar General, etc. and look for their \$1 aisle. They often have things that can be used in these aisles.

Tuesday Night Bible Study

Tuesdays | 6:30 p.m.
Please join us at 6:30 in the Cook/Diller Lounge for a time of Bible study and conversation. Join us weekly or drop in when you can. All are welcome! If you have questions please contact Chaplain Tim at tim@lincolnschurch.org.

Wednesday Vespers Service

Please join us this week for vespers on Wednesday at 5:30 pm in the Chapel followed by a delicious potluck supper in the Commons. Games and choir practice to follow.

Adult Christian Education (ACE’s)

Sundays | 9:00 a.m. *Chapel*
We continue our study of Matthew 25 led by Pastor Susan using the PCUSA’s curriculum from the General Assembly. Following our lessons with Pastor Susan we will turn to finishing the last portion of Chapter Five of “A Public Faith” by Volf. We will be discussing the broad theme of the role of the Christian church in a congested and many-religions world. All are welcome to drop in to the Chapel on Sunday mornings at nine. Books are available.

Parking

There are several options available for parking in addition to our parking lot. Paid parking is available in the parking garage just south of the First Presbyterian Church at the intersection of 6th Street and Capitol Ave. (entrance on 6th street) and at the Municipal Parking garage on the corner of 7th and Monroe streets. Limited street parking is also available.

Events This Week

JANUARY

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Worship Committee Meeting 2:30 pm
Cook/Diller Lounge

Building and Grounds Meeting 4:00 pm
Cook/Diller Lounge
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Food Pantry Meeting 12:00 pm
Cook/Diller Lounge

Joy of Movement (An adapted dance class for people with Parkinson’s Disease) 1:30 pm
Commons

Bible Study 6:30 pm *Cook/Diller Lounge*
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Joy of Movement 10:00 am *Commons*

Finance Meeting 11:00 am *Cook/Diller lounge*

Vesper Service 5:30 pm *Chapel* followed by potluck and games *Commons*
Choir practice starts at 6:45
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Joy of Movement 1:30 pm *Commons*

Session Meeting 6:30 pm *Cook/Diller lounge*
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ACE’s 9:00 am *Chapel*

Worship 10:30 am *Sanctuary*

Fellowship Following Worship *Commons*

Samaritan Ministries

Service Desk Report – December 2019

Clients Served: 116
Services provided:
SMTD bus passes (39) \$780
SMTD tokens (266) \$266
ID (13) \$260
Birth Certificates (10) \$143
Gas Vouchers (16) \$170
Driver’s License (4) \$120

Food Pantry Report – October 2019

In the month of October we served 807 clients

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For a full staff listing see our website at
LincolnsChurch.org