

Eastminster Messenger

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Our Interim Pastor

November 22, 2021

Dear Eastminster Presbyterian Church,



I am writing to inform you that the congregation of First Presbyterian, Frankfort, KY met on 11/21/2021 and voted to call me as their next installed Pastor, and I have accepted that call. I will begin ministry with them on 1/02/2022.

None of us knew exactly when it would happen, but we all knew a time would eventually come for me to begin saying goodbye to all of you.

I have proposed a timeline for my work with Eastminster, but it has not yet been approved by the session. That timeline would be for me to continue serving you as transitional pastor until Christmas Eve. The worship service that evening would be my final official duty. I have requested vacation days from 12/25 through the end of the year.

In the meantime, the session will develop a plan in cooperation with the presbytery to ensure that you have good pastoral care, leadership, and of course worship services from the time of my departure until the pastoral nominating committee is ready to present a candidate to you. I don't know what exactly that would be, or who might come serve you in this way, but there are several options.

While the next month will give me chances to say some goodbyes to you, I must begin now. As a congregation, you welcomed me during a very strange time in the life of the church, and of course the world. Being with you this past year has honestly been a blessing to me. I will always have fond memories of my time with you, and give thanks to God.

I am no apostle Paul, but I am reminded of his words to the church in Philippi: "I thank my God every time I mention you in my prayers. I'm thankful for all of you every time I pray, and it's always a prayer full of joy. I'm glad because of the way you have been my partners in the ministry of the gospel from the time you first believed it until now."

Peace.

J.T.





Please join us next Sunday, December 5th immediately after worship where we will host an Advent reception (*The Spirit of Advent!*) Come hear our own Donna Cooke play her harp and our own Mark Miller tell the Christmas Story. Your presence is very much appreciated.



Our little "pilgrims" who participated in the Thanksgiving Processional on November 21.

Please pray for the following: Rose Kuhn; Julie Summit; Tid Turner; Jane Williams; Mike Crecelius; Mae Chin; Jayne Manis; Sue Kuhs; Allen Sanderson; Walt Lowe.



If you have a prayer request or wish to be removed from the list, please contact Leslie Webb at epcprayers@gmail.com or call the church office.

Christmas Baskets



If you're shopping for a Caze student, here are some helps.

The Children's Place has short sleeved uniform shirts, boys are \$7, girls are \$8. Scroll down to the "extended sizes" section. Shipping is always free.

Old Navy has long sleeved polos for \$10.99 with 35% taken off at the register, making them \$7.15. There is a minimum for free shipping so you would have to go into the mall to get them

I found books and toys are just as cheap on Amazon as anywhere else, and two-day shipping is free if you have Prime. If you don't have Prime, contact Barb Kuykendall.

Think about toys that encourage imagination and aren't used up all at one time.

Each gift should be wrapped individually and put inside the one big bag. If you don't like to wrap, just put everything on one bag with your student number and your name. Our youth will be glad to do the wrapping for you.

If you don't like to shop, send a check for what you are willing to spend and we will shop for you. Or just donate \$25 towards the grocery gift cards.

Don't forget Dollar Tree for gift bags!

If you choose to add extras:

- Uniform pants should be regular fit with adjustable waist.
- The Children's Place has some very cute shirts on clearance for \$5 or less.
- Many children need socks that cover their ankles in cold weather.
- Classrooms are often cold. Kohl's has girls' cardigans for half price right now. \$7.99.
- Solid color long sleeved shirts can be worn under their uniform shirts for warmth.
- Since young children read their little books quickly, consider book sets for them.
- They are under \$20.
- Dollar Tree, where everything's a dollar, has coloring books, puzzle books, little note pads, etc.
- They also have silly things like a bag of plastic insects.
 Boys love them!
- Ticonderoga pencils or crayons and hand- held pencil sharpeners are always joyfully received.

REMEMBER everything must fit into one large gift bag, not the giant sized bag.

Poinsettia Orders

Poinsettia orders are now being taken by filling out the form below WITH YOUR PAYMENT of \$12 EACH INCLUDED WITH THE ORDER. Poinsettias will be showcased at the Christmas Eve Worship Service and can be taken home by you at the conclusion of that service. The deadline to order a Poinsettia is Friday, December 10th. Remember, no order will be taken without payment.

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Thanks to my dear Eastminster family for your kind thoughts, prayers and many cards sent to us in honor of my husband, Pat, who passed away on November 2.

Thanks also to J.T. who provided a beautiful tribute and to those of you who came and gave your support.

Christian Love, Jayne and Marci





December 2021

CHRISTMAS

Anniversaries

12/10 Ralph & Lannie Frasier

12/23 Gary & Peggy Pennington

12/24 Dan & Nancy Engelbrecht

Birthdays

12/1 Marlene Huffaker
12/3 Doris Bedillion
Elma Rauch
Beth Bailey
12/5 Meredith Garcia
12/8 Elise Crecelius

Jenny Kuhs 12/9 Carol Woodward

12/12 Mary Lou Leedy 12/21 Jane Biggs Stacie Schalasky

12/23 Janet Zeiher

12/28 Breanna Kuhs

12/29 Mical Michel



Merry Christmas!

Sunday Schedule

9:00 Sunday School 10:00 -10:30 Fellowship 10:30 Worship 6:00 PM Youth Group

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 7 PM Choir	3	4 8 AM Men's Breakfast Men's Prayer
Second Sunday Spoil Advent In Fellowship Hall	6	7 9 AM Quilters 3 PM Youth Office Hours 6:55 PM Men's Bible Study 7 PM Movie Night	8 6 PM Assembly Night	9 7 PM Choir	10	11
Third Sunday of Advent 11:30 AM Congregational Meeting	13	9 AM Quilters 3 PM Youth Office Hours 6:15 PM Ladies' Night Out 6:55 PM Men's Bible Study	15	16 7 PM Choir	17	18
19 Fourth Sunday of Advent	20 1 PM Bridge	21 9 AM Quilters 3 PM Youth Office Hours 6:55 PM Men's Bible Study	22 6 PM Session	23 7 PM Choir	24 7 PM CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE	25
26	27	28 9 AM Quilters Noon - book Club 3 PM Youth Office Hours 6:55 PM Men's Bible Study	29	30 7 PM Choir	31	

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