First Things—June 19, 2022

We're Everybody's Church. What does that really mean?

As Everybody's Church, we strive to be a faithful, open and inclusive community. We welcome the participation of all people of any ability, gender identity, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation or any other life circumstance.

Statement of Discipleship

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we live and grow in God's Word as peacemakers, faithful stewards, and compassionate neighbors.

Welcome Visitors!

We are so glad to have you here to worship with us today. Please take a moment to fill out the "Connect with FPC" pew card and let us know who you are and whether there is anything we can do for you. If you would like to inquire about membership, please contact Amy Zimmer, Membership Coordinator: amyzimmer@fpcbirmingham.org.





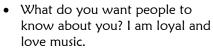
ALL CHURCH Sunday, June 26 3:00-4:30 PM Join Us for Live Music, Lawn Games, Socializing, and of course, Ice Cream! 🥶 FAR Everybody's 7 Church

A Celebration for a Retirement

Cindy Merten, our exemplary Director of Christian Education, will be retiring the end of June. She has faithfully served this church since 1999, has helped form the faith of hundreds of children, and been integral to the development of the All Abilities Inclusion Ministry, one of the first of its kind. A reception will be held

for her June 26 following the 10:00am service. To donate to a congregational gift, please write a check to the church and designate the gift to Cindy Merten, or donate online using the Give tab and designate Cindy Merten for the gift.

Welcome our new Confirmands! Ellie Burke





- If you were an instrument, what would you be? A piano
- Quote from her Statement of Faith: "At our church, I always feel welcomed, loved, and supported. The people are always so generous and kind and are fantastic role models. Nearly everyone is always trying to do good, help others, and be better people. Growing up surrounded by people like that gave me a solid foundation in understanding the importance of being a good person and making the world a better place."



has been lovingly restored by the current owners and it attracts worldwide visitors. We will tour the gardens and the home and enjoy a boxed lunch in the garden. Cost is \$25.00 for bus, tour & lunch. Questions? Call Diane Bert at 248.642.4237. Make reservations by August 12 by contacting Dawn Buley (248.798.9874, dawnbuley@gmail.com).

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We are a **Stephen Ministry Congregation**. Speak with anyone with a blue nametag to learn more!





Prayer Jar

Please visit the table outside the Lounge, select a paper slip with a name on it and take an inspirational prayer. Spend some time praying for an Everybody's Church community member through the summer.

Senior Adventurers—High Tea at St. Sabbas Thursday, July 7, 9:45am-3pm. Reserve by June 30.

Come to St. Sabbas Russian Orthodox Monastery to see the beautiful gardens, then savor a five-course gourmet Russian High Tea/Luncheon at the Royal Eagle Restaurant. Listen to an introduction to the monastery by one of the monks, then visit the exquisite chapel on the monastery grounds. Cost is \$36.00. Please contact Donna Zabowski



(donna.zabowski@yahoo.com, 248.890.3611) with questions or to reserve your spot. We need drivers for carpools to this event.

Child Care Positions Open

We want to re-open our church nursery for infants and toddlers up to age 3 on Sunday mornings and would like to hire 2-3 responsible adults with childcare experience. The position requires regular attendance on Sunday morning from 9:30-11:30am. Pay is \$50 per Sunday. If you are interested, please contact Cindy at cindymerten@fpcbirmingham.org



FAQ About Worship Stay up-to-date by checking this webpage.



Bible Studies & Book Groups See Adult Faith Formation Groups webpage.



Parents can pick up CrossWalks

and Worship Wonder students in the

courtyard outside Calvin Hall today.

students in the tent in the parking lot

FPC Hand-in-Hand Early Learning Center Learn more on the Hand-in-

Hand webpage. Enrollment

for 2022-23 is happening now.

Staying Connected

Email is the primary way we communicate with the congregation. To receive emails please contact Dawn Swarthout at dawn@everybodyschurch.org. We are happy to mail copies of bulletins to anyone who needs a copy. Give names and addresses to Deneen Davis. Bulletins can be downloaded from the website on the Church at Home/ Livestream page.

one of our young people with disabilities in Sunday School and/or worship.

Be an AAIM Buddy! Volunteers accompany

Volunteer Opportunities

- Be an Usher. Contact Terry Palleschi at 248-346-5134 or sign up on the usher list by scanning the QR code.
- Assist at Coffee Hour: set up beverages and pre-packaged snacks and clean up afterwards. Sign Up clipboard on the counter outside Calvin Hall.

See Volunteer Opportunities webpage by scanning the QR code for sign-ups and more info.

Sign Up to Teach Summer Sunday School

Please consider signing up to teach in either CrossWalks (K-5th grade) or Worship Wonder (ages 3-5). Curriculum and instruction will be



provided in advance. Please contact Cindy Merten for more information. Sign up posters are on the bulletin boards outside Calvin Hall.

Photography/Video

We are taking video in the Sanctuary and other parts of the church (interior and exterior). By your presence, you grant First Presbyterian Church, Birmingham unrestricted rights to publish images taken of you. If you do not wish to have your image published, please contact Dr. Judson.

