### First Things—April 28, 2024

# 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.

### Welcome Visitors ~ Let's Connect!

Please fill out the pew pad and say "Hi." If you are new to our church community, we'd love to get to know you better. Our post-service coffee hours are a great way to mingle and interact – so stop by for a bit. If you would like to inquire about membership, please contact: Amy Zimmer, Membership Coordinator at amyzimmer@fpcbirmingham.org.

### Registration is Open!

Vacation Bible Camp is a four-day camp, June 24-27 9:00am-Noon, for threeyear-olds (with one year of preschool) through children who have



completed 5th grade as of June 24, 2024 for only \$50/child. Scholarships available, see Martha Piesko.

Junior Vacation Bible Camp is for 2-1/2 and 3 year-olds on Monday and Wednesday only, June 24 & 26 from 9:00am-Noon. Children must be 2-1/2 by June 24, 2024 in order to participate. Age appropriate, same curriculum as VBC for only \$35/child. Scholarships available, contact

#### Register today using this QR Code:



### Please consider how you can volunteer.

See Martha Piesko (marthapiesko@fpcbirmingham.org)

Supporting Alcott Teachers
Mission Outreach/Pontiac Partnership
Return items by May 5

A huge THANK YOU to everyone that chose a
frog with a request from an Alcott teacher.

Please return purchased items with the frog tag attached
unwrapped by MAY 5 and leave it in Alcove C in Calvin Hall. These
items will be delivered to teachers shortly thereafter.

Questions? Stephanie Kummer at
(248) 464-0497 or email
szkummer@yahoo.com. Thank
you so much for your support of
this Mission Outreach program!

### We are a **Stephen Ministry Congregation**.

Speak with anyone with a blue nametag or Rev. Lou Nyiri to learn more!



### Statement of Discipleship

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



# April is Volunteer Appreciation Month Spotlight on Janet Mostofizadeh



I did not volunteer for the majority of the 30+ years that I have belonged to the church and now that I am retired, I want to give back. Each individual volunteer activity does not take much time. I should have volunteered sooner and involved my children. While volunteering at Alcott as a tutor last year I met the most kind, wonderful child who was a first grader. It really made my day to see

her smile, share a favorite book with her, and play games with her that helped her learn the sight words. I am an Usher @ 8:30, Deacon: Donation Center Co-Coordinator, Communion server, Coffee hour helper, Greeter, on Baldwin Center team, Matthew 25 Workgroup chair, Welcome Center volunteer, Outreach Ministries Committee member, Baskets of Love food acquisition, Foster Care partnership helper as needed, Christian Ed. and help with special programs (Bethlehem, Seder, VBC), Tuesday Book Club participant.



### April Deacons' Pantry—Baldwin Center

They have requested single serving snack bags and diapers.

BALDWIN CENTER Feed, Clothe, Educate, Empower

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A representative will present "Talk Saves Lives: An Introduction to Suicide Prevention"

Hear about the scope of the problem and the research being done. Learn about prevention and what YOU can do! Join us for a discussion and time for questions. Sign up outside Calvin Hall or email Donna Zabowski at donna.zabowski@yahoo.com. All are invited!

Tues, May 14 7:00 PM Calvin Hall







### **FPC Hand-in-Hand Early Learning Center**

registration for the 2024-25 school year is now open to the public. Please contact Heidi Wilkinson

If you are interested and/or have any questions at 248.430.6190 or email: handinhand@everybodyschurch.org

### 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 Dawn Swarthout. Bulletins can be downloaded from the website on the Church at Home/ Livestream page.







Book Groups. See
Adult Faith
Formation webpage.



## Volunteer Opportunities See webpage by scanning

See webpage by scanning the QR code for more info.



### 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 Dawn Swarthout.

### Hearing Loops/Assistance

Please ask an usher for assistance!

