

# In Touch with FPCR

## LITURGY—THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE

A discussion with Mr. Paul Zachow, MAPS, recently covered responsive reading and how it could help engage worshipers in the service. Mr. Zachow prepared the following paragraph about the church liturgy. Hopefully you will find it helpful in understanding more about FPCR's Sunday services:

*In terms of a worship service, the meaning of the word "liturgy" is "the work of the people"—the congregation. This is why we read responsively, or in unison, the various parts of the worship service. Worship is not meant to be accomplished only through the person on the pulpit. It is meant to be accomplished through the participation of the congregation, the people, if you will, in the various readings and parts of the worship service. We are all able to then participate more fully together as the church, the body of Christ in the worship of God as a community of faith. Worship in this context, is the "work of the people."*

## HOW HAVE YOU BEEN SPENDING SUMMER 2021?

Ah, summer! We were all so excited to see June 21 on our calendars and have summer declared! We looked forward to this day after spending more time close to home due to COVID than we may have in the past. How have you been spending your summer? Here is what a few FPCR members have been doing:

The "**Schoeni Girls**" (Alice, Elaine, and Jean) had a "Schoeni Cousin's Day" centered around making soap. Long sleeves and safety glasses were donned. Colors and fragrances were selected. The oils,

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

Mark your calendar to attend FPCR services on **August 15** and **29**.

The **FPCR website** contains up-to-date announcements. Check it if you have questions about a service or deadline.

[www.FirstPresbyofRichfield.com](http://www.FirstPresbyofRichfield.com)

## UPCOMING SERVICES

**All are welcome for upcoming 10 a.m. Sunday Services.**

**AUGUST 15**

**AUGUST 29**

**Updated information is posted on the website: [www.FirstPresbyofRichfield.com](http://www.FirstPresbyofRichfield.com)**

## ELDERS AND BOARD OF DEACONS

### Elders

**Carol Frank**

**Jim Frank**

**Debbie Heppe**

**Melissa Kujawa**

**Rick Romanski**

### Clerk of Session

**Elaine Schmidt**

### Deacons

**Emma Kujawa**

**Cathy Romanski**

## WHAT YA BEEN DOIN' THIS SUMMER?

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tallow, and lye were weighed according to a recipe and mixed together. The mix was poured into molds to set. After a few days, the soap was unmolded, cut, and is now curing. It was a great way to visit with cousins and experience something new. What fun it will be to try these homemade soaps!

The **Kujawa/Heppe family** has not only been busy taking care of the church and its grounds but has also been traveling to various places both inside and outside of Wisconsin to cheer on **Jackson's** travel baseball team. Weekends away provide good competition for players as well as fun as a team including family members. We can't wait to hear more about your season, Jackson.

We know **Carol Frank** has been tending her gardens because she brings beautiful bouquets to the church for Sunday services. We bet that **Jim** plays a part in those gardens as well!

The **Daryl Schmidt family** spent much time this summer preparing for the Washington County Fair (July 20 through 25). Poster entries, barn decorations, costumes, as well as washing, grooming, and training cattle consumed **Jayden's** and **Cora's** time as well as that of parents **Daryl** and **Brenda** throughout the summer. The payoff: blue ribbons AND some purple grand champion and reserve champion ribbons.

While Daryl's family spent their days at the Fairgrounds, **Ken and Elaine Schmidt** kept things organized around the farm. A special visit with daughter **Diann** from Minnesota made "fair time" even more exciting. Diann was able to visit her parents and see what all

the excitement was about for her nieces!

**Allen Schoeni** couldn't wait for the last weekend in July when EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) Airventure 2021 took place in Oshkosh. A couple days wandering the booths for new products, watching air shows, and sharing knowledge with others who build and fly aircraft was just the "ticket" for him this summer.

We know **YOU** have been enjoying the summer as well. Maybe it is with family, maybe it is traveling to new places, maybe it is taking care of your property, or maybe it is simply relaxing on the porch with a good book. We'd love to hear how you are enjoying this beautiful season. Send an email to [FirstPresbyofRichfield@gmail.com](mailto:FirstPresbyofRichfield@gmail.com).

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following individuals who have health concerns:



**Carol Frank**

**Jim Frank**

**Ron Grunke**

**Ron Grunke's Daughter, Shelley**

**Joyce Koehn**

**Rick Romanski's Aunt Helen**

**Daryl Schmidt**

Please pray for those who have recently lost loved ones.



**Jean Zeller and Family**

**Pearson Children**



## SERMON JOTTINGS

*With our present schedule, it is sometimes difficult to follow the continuum of church lessons and sermons. Here are the summary notes from the July 11 service. (July 25 was cancelled due to excessive heat.)*

Date: **July 11, 2021**  
Text: **Ephesians 1:3-14**  
Sermon: **God Chose Us—All of Us**

*When Paul writes in Ephesians, he is communicating with the universal church. That is different than when he writes in his letters. In his letters, he is communicating with believers in a particular locale. While writing in Ephesians, Paul is imprisoned and is writing to share news of himself and to encourage believers.*

- The main theme of Ephesians is God’s plan to reconcile Jews and Gentiles, which was accomplished through the death and resurrection of Jesus.
- Paul is trying to heal divisions between Christian Jews and Jews and Gentiles. God calls them all as His children and loves them all (a radical idea in terms of the early church in Ephesus).
- All people are equal before God, in the church, and in the world.
- The church is about inclusion not exclusion—provide love and grace; not hate and exclusion.
- God’s love embraces all creation, including the human family.

### *GOD LOVES ALL OF US!*



For the glory of God , **Paul Zachow** began the July 11 service with an a cappella solo, *This is the Day*. It is posted on the church website if you missed it: [www.FirstPresbyofRichfield.com](http://www.FirstPresbyofRichfield.com). Thank you, Mr. Zachow!

## A FEW SUNDAY SERVICE OPTIONS

With the heat cancellation of the July 25 service, you may be looking for services in the area. **Paul Zachow, M.A.P.S.**, has shared two additional services for which he will be supplying the pulpit.

**August 8 - Faith United Church of Christ - 10:00 am**

**Address:** 2895 Slinger Road, Slinger, WI.

**Directions:** Left out of the FPCR lot onto Hwy. 164 for approximately 1.5 miles. Left onto Cty. Hwy. E for 1 mile. The church is on the corner of Hwy. E and Slinger Road.

**August 22 - New Hope United Church of Christ - 9:30 am**

**Address:** 360 Jackson Drive, Jackson, WI 53037

**Directions:** New Hope is about 10 miles from our church. You will want to “Google” directions since you will be able to find a more direct route than coming to FPCR and then heading to Jackson.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to the following individuals with birthdays in **August**. We wish you many more years of God’s blessings.

- 8 - Richard Schmidt**
- 9 - Reuben Heidtke**
- 18 - Kate Kujawa**
- 18 - Cheryl Weber**
- 22 - Elaine Schmidt**
- 28 - Cheryl Koehn Terman**



## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

to the following couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversaries in **August**. May the Lord bless you and keep you for many years to come.

- 2 - Jean Schoeni & Keith Clark**
- 19 - Ryan & Melissa Kujawa**
- 24 - Jim & Carol Frank**

**HELP THE ENVIRONMENT AND FPCR'S BUDGET . . .**

**REQUEST AN ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER**

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**WOW!**

Once again, **Lydia Wojcieszak** wows us! Mom, **Deanna**, posted this beautiful piece by Lydia on Facebook. Isn't it incredible? Definitely a "must see" work!

**Slinger Food Pantry Drive**

Deadline: Sunday, August 29, 2021

**Present Pantry Needs:**

Cream of Mushroom, Celery, and Chicken Soup - Crackers - Rice - Hamburger Helper - Paper Towels - Bar Soap - Shampoo - Toilet Paper - Toothpaste

*Monetary donations are welcome.*

*Please place your donation in the Sunday collection using a Food Pantry envelope OR mail (with a memo on your check designating the Food Pantry) to the PO box shown below.*



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**When you are kind to the poor, you honor God.**

Proverbs 14:31b - The Message