



First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino

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Annual Report/Annual Meeting

Each year individuals, committees, ministries, and other groups report on the year we have just finished. You should have received an Annual Report either as a pdf document in email or in paper at worship this past Sunday. If you would like to receive a copy and have not, let the office know and Mimi will email you a copy or stop by the church and pick one up.

I encourage you to read through the report and see what God has been doing inside and outside of the walls at 1600 N. D Street this last year. On Sunday, February 9, We will review the report and our 2025 budget and elect our 2025 Nominating Committee.

February 9 is also our annual Presbyterian Women's Super Bowl Bake Sale. Come ready to buy goodies for your afternoon and support our PW and their causes.

February 16, we will enjoy brunch together after worship. Donations will go to send our youth and sponsors to the Presbyterian Youth Triennium.



PNC Update

The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is in the process of conducting initial online interviews with several candidates.

Over the next few weeks we will have a clearer idea of who may be called to be our next pastor. In the past few months the committee has been carefully reading and considering numerous call seekers' Personal Discernment Profiles (PDPs)-more than fifty in number. These PDPs offer a glimpse into a call seeker's faith journey, their desire to work in ministry and how well they match our search criteria which was written based on our Mission Action Plan. We have been matched with candidates in the Center for Christian Leadership (CLC) database and also have some potential pastors who are self-referred. The process is quite lengthy and there are many steps to bring this search to fruition; however we are much closer to completion of the process!

Faithfully Yours,

Christa Wallis
Mary Bolaños
PNC Co-chairs

Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)

Pray for our Pastor Nominating Committee as they seek our new shepherd. And pray for the person God is preparing even now to come and minister to and with us.

Susan Addington, Mary Bolaños, John-Paul Fletcher, Brian Gano, Kendra Lamb, Jim Morris, Shelby Obershaw, Christa Wallis, Neal Williams



*Cinco de Mayo Vulture at Serra
Retreat Center, Companions 2024.
Photo by Christa Wallis.*

Companions on the Inner Way, Spring Retreat.

First Pres has a long history of supporting and attending Companions on the Inner Way retreats. This spring (Sunday, March 23 to Friday, March 28, 2025), Companions will once again offer a safe, communal place to explore deep longings for the Holy.

This year the retreat leader will be Diana Butler Bass. Dr. Bass is an award-winning author, popular speaker, inspiring preacher, and one of America's most trusted commentators on religion and contemporary spirituality.

The retreat is held at Serra Retreat Center in Malibu. Because of Dr. Bass' popularity, places will be going quickly. Registration information can be found at www.cotiway.org. For information about scholarships to help defray the cost of attending, please contact Christa Wallis at chriwallis@aol.com.

Notes



Commissioned Pastor's Corner

After Jesus preaches:

When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way. (Luke 4:28-30)

Excerpted from my 2/2 sermon:

I think we have been faithful in the way we have chosen this transition time. We spent our time and energy on a Mission Action Plan and Pastoral Nominating committee for our next called pastor.

But we did not call an interim pastor. I slipped into the position. Now, I'm clearly not Sandy, and I've made subtle changes, but mostly, I know our customs and I've mostly stuck with them. **I'm comfortable.**

But what happens when we get a new pastor, a called pastor, and they preach a challenging sermon, choose songs we don't know, suggest areas of ministry we should try, or areas we should let go.

Will you want to throw them off a cliff?

You might.

Should you?

Absolutely not!

I'm asking you today to be thinking about this. We don't want our next called pastor to become what they call an "unintentional interim."

Someone who is called as a settled pastor, moves their home and family to the area, and should have a nice long tenure, but gets worn out and run out in a short while because they dare to do the work of making changes and correctives.

I don't want someone to become an unintentional interim because I clung to the status quo. We must be ready for things to be different.

So, once that person comes, and the "honeymoon" period is over, if you notice someone getting ready to head to the mountain with the new preacher, consider practicing saying to them,

"Don't get too close to the edge."

Trust the process and the spirit that brings them to us and give them a chance to do what it is theirs to do.

--Peace

Wendy

The *First Press*, the newsletter of the First Presbyterian Church of San Bernardino, is edited by Wendy Lamb. Please submit content to Wendy at newsletter@fpcsb.net.
The deadline for the April/May newsletter is Thursday, March 20.

Financial Notes

Financial Report as of December 31, 2024.

General Fund

	Actual	Budgeted	Over/(Under)
Pledges	\$359,520.10	357,218.40	2,301.70
Other Income*	\$189,304.44	163,986.00	25,308.44
Expense	\$530,006.65	573,047.56	(43,040.91)
Net Income	\$ 18,817.89	(51,843.16)	70,661.05

Division Consolidation

	December	Year to date
General Fund Net Income (Expense)	16,951.22	18,817.89
Deacons Net Income (Expense)	(11.90)	3,485.21
Net Operating Income (Expense)	16,939.32	22,303.10

Save the Date: Sunday, May 11

Mother's Day is a special day at First Pres San Bernardino.

This is the day our Youth will offer their worship for our annual Youth Sunday Service. I have been working with our youth on Youth Sunday since 2013 when Amy, Bethany, Kyle, Kyle, and Trevor were graduating. It is one of my favorite parts of ministry. I hope you will indulge me if I have a special stake in this year's service. This year Breanna, Joseph, and Kendra are graduating. Breanna and Kendra have participated in youth Sunday since they were in sixth grade. This year they will be guiding the service and preaching sermons. I look forward to hearing what they have to say. I hope you will join me.



The 2021 Confirmation Class including Breanna, Kendra, and Joseph.

Sunday afternoon on May 11, Symphonie Jeunesse will offer a Mothers' Day concert in the Fellowship Hall. Let us come and enjoy the concert and support the youth symphony that practices every week on our grounds. Bring your mom! Or anyone who would enjoy an afternoon of music.

Lent 2025

Who Do You Say that I am?

Jesus says,

- I Am the Bread of Life
- I Am the Light of the World
- I Am the Good Shepherd
- I Am the Resurrection and the Life
- I Am the Way, Truth, Life
- I Am the True Vine
- I Am the Son of God
- I Am Come from the Father

Using our stained glass windows to illustrate some of the sayings, we will reflect on who Jesus declares himself to be and what that means for us.

Join us for this Lenten journey as we listen to the voice of Jesus.



Riverside's Insight Studio (RIS)

Riverside Presbytery is beginning a monthly gathering on Zoom called Riverside's Insight Studio. The last Thursday of the month will feature guest speakers on a variety of topics. The first first guest will be the Rev. Dr. Bruce Humphrey, the author of several notable works, including "Ministry on Fire," "What Would Jesus Do," "I am <3," and "Once Upon a Time in Hoonah" (a memoir). Dr. Humphrey will deliver a talk on the topic of the Holy Spirit. These gatherings are designed to be interactive, offering participants plenty of opportunities to ask questions and engage directly with our guest authors.

When: Thursday, February 27 at 5:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 850 2113 9953

Passcode: 162577

These gatherings are open to all congregations and we will have Mimi send an email with additional details as the time gets closer.

2025 Lenten Quiet Nights

On Wednesday, March 5, Ash Wednesday will usher in the church season of Lent, a time of reflection and deep awareness of Jesus' journey toward Jerusalem and the events of Holy Week.

We will have Quiet Nights this year starting on Thursday, March 13 through Thursday, April 10. The theme this year reflects on the I Am sayings of Jesus.

Quiet Nights, intended as opportunities for us to walk alongside Jesus in the darkness of Lent, consist of 25 minutes or so of readings and silent contemplation. We meet at 6 PM.

Following the quiet time, we will gather in Fellowship Hall for a simple soup and bread supper and a brief time of conversation and gratitude.

Please mark your calendars and join others for opportunities to deepen your Christian experience this season.

Advent at First Pres, San Bernardino by Amy Smith

Advent is always a special time of year and this year we explored C.S. Lewis's *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* and the land of Narina as we waited for Christmas. The sanctuary was adorned with three snow-capped trees, a window looking into Narnia and a variety of four candles as our Advent wreath. Each week Wendy shared parts of the story as Sarah Fletcher, Adam Nord, Rhyland French and Rowan Fletcher made their way down the aisle, looking into this strange land and lit the Advent candles. Wendy wove readings from the book and the scriptures into her sermons, relating the story of the four children, the White Witch who made it winter all year long, Aslan (the Christ figure) and the magic before the Dawn of Time with the prophets, angels, Mary and Joseph, and the coming of the Christ child. Christmas Eve celebrated the coming of spring in the land of Narnia and the joy of all the creatures as Aslan returned. We rejoiced with the singing of many Christmas carols which continued the following Sunday as Wendy concluded the story of the children reigning as kings and queens for many years until one day they were led back to the wardrobe where they found no time had passed at all. A very special part of each Christmas season is the offering of Epiphany stars, this year at the well-attended healing service on January 16th. Everyone was invited to take a star that had a word written on it which became a special word for the year ahead for that person. We were invited to reflect on our word and carry it with us into the new year. We are thankful for Wendy's creativity and the Worship Committee for carrying out her vision to make this Advent a very special one.



December & January Session Highlights

by Amy Smith, Clerk of Session

Session has met the past two months and accomplished a great deal, as usual. In December we invited the new elders, Neal Williams, Susan Skoglund and Katie Smith, to join the meeting and shared appetizers and desserts prior to the meeting. We approved the 2025 budget which you will see in your Annual Report. Buildings and Grounds (B&G) made a recommendation to purchase seven new inverters for our solar panel system which was approved. We are thankful for the vision of Phil Savage and others who encouraged us to contribute yearly to a repair and replacement fund for this very purpose which means we are not scrambling to find the funds for this almost \$33,000 expense. Session also approved Mimi's request to reduce her work hours to four days a week which means the office will be closed on Fridays. We do not expect any impact because of her reduced hours. B&G reported that a new commercial washer and dryer have been installed using funds donated in memory of Sally Morris and Jennifer Skoglund Shenton. We also approved a retreat for some time in 2025 led by Nancy Wiens.

In January, we reviewed the Spiritual Leadership principles which stress that praying together and being a community of faith and discernment is the most important thing and is central to the work of the Session and the health of the church. Session strives to make decisions by consensus rather than majority rules. We discussed the 2025 budget and the increasing needs to maintain our beautiful but aging campus. We are fortunate that many have blessed us with memorial funds and endowment investments which we can use when needed for unexpected expenses. We elected Corporate Officers: President – Jon Horstmann, Vice President – Neal Williams, Secretary – Amy Smith and Treasurer – John-Paul Fletcher. Deacons report that the Food Ministry is still going strong and Nurture is excited that we have potentially 8 youth eligible for Triennium taking place this summer in Louisville. We may also send a young adult leader or two. Keep an eye out for some fundraisers to help offset these costs.

We end each meeting reflecting on where we have seen God and the Spirit at work during the meeting. Among things mentioned were how well we work together, even when we have differences of opinion; we listen to each other and make sure everyone's concerns are heard; someone is always willing to step up and take on needed tasks, and above all, we can laugh and enjoy each other's company.

Session 2025

Stephen W. Smith, Moderator; Amy Smith, Clerk of Session

Class of 2025: Lily Bolaños, Margaret Doane, Jonathan Horstmann, Phyllis Hough

Class of 2026: Sue Alexander, Jeanne Clarke, Kathy Showman, Norm Wallis

Class of 2027: Patrick Morris, Susan Skoglund, Katie Smith, Neal Williams

Keep Military Members in Your Prayers

Sgt Jacob Allen,

US Marines, MFR Band, New Orleans, Louisiana

Cpl Jeremy Allen,

US Marines, Okinawa, Japan

Lt. Alejandro J. Balandran,

US Navy, Yokosuka, Japan

PFC Ethan Gano,

US Marines, Pensacola, Florida

Seaman Mark Munz,

US Navy, San Diego, California

Lt. Junior Grade Wade Phillip Preciado,

US Navy, Groton, Connecticut

Petty Officer First Class Robert Sandoval,

US Navy, Jacksonville, Florida

Petty Officer Noah L. Wierenga,

U.S. Coast Guard Sector Upper Mississippi River

CW3 James Bentley Wilson,

US Army, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington

Cadet Grace Wilson

Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Important Items the Food Ministry Needs

by Rick Rodriguez, Deacon, Food Ministry

While the Food Ministry at First Presbyterian Church receives a variety of foods through donations from church members, friends, and food bank partners, some of the most useful items can be difficult to acquire.

Cereal is an item that we can get frequently, but we try to put it in every one of our Tuesday/Thursday bags, both “cooking” and “non-cooking”. At an average of 660 bags each month, that’s a LOT of cereal. Special thanks to Brenda Stringer and her family who bring us cereal on a consistent basis and several times have brought their cases of cereal just when we need it most.

Peanut butter rarely comes in sufficient quantity and frequency from Feeding America, the source of most of our Tuesday/Thursday food. It is especially needed for our non-cooking bags, which are distributed to individuals without access to a kitchen, such as those experiencing homelessness or renting a room. Peanut butter offers a combination of protein, fat and carbohydrates and the least expensive type doesn’t require refrigeration. Few other items offer the same practical and nutritional value for non-cooking bags.

“Pop-top” cans of items that can be eaten out of the can without a can opener and without cooking are also very helpful, especially for non-cooking bags. Examples are fruit, tuna, chicken, or other meat. If we have large quantities, busy families appreciate these items also.

Another item that has not been reliably available is beans for cooking bags. It can be cans of refried beans, black beans, etc. or 1-pound bags of uncooked beans.

In sum, we can always use:

- Cereal
- Peanut Butter
- Pop-top ready-to-eat foods
- Beans

Any donated foods help fill our bags. Thank you for continuing to support and help with the important work of our First Pres Food Ministry.

Board of Deacons 2024

Mindy Rueda, Moderator; Steve Smith, Pastoral Support

Class of 2025: Rebecca Allen, Brad Smith, Dave Thomas, Chris Wright-Thomas

Class of 2026: Kristine French, Joyce Lyons, Joanna Nord, Mindy Rueda

Class of 2027: Richard Rodriguez, Jim Siegmund, Kyle Smith, Christian Usher

Our 25th Team of Interns

The Fall 2024 term of interns was the 25th term of interns. They did the usual work that our intern teams do including bagging food for our Tuesday/Thursday food distributions, keeping the church property clean and mowing our lawns. They had one more major project that took two days. With the help of Dave Thomas and a contractor, the team put all new woodchips in all of the areas on the D Street side of our church property. Below are a few pictures from that project.

On February 8, 2025 our 26th team of interns will start their term.



Introducing Our “New” Elders and Deacons

Compiled by Margaret Doane

Our “new” officers are not new to being officers in the Church: all eight people, four Elders and four Deacons, have been officers before. Pat Morris will start a second consecutive term as an Elder and Rick Rodriguez a second consecutive term as a Deacon. Susan Skoglund and Neal Williams will be Elders and have been Elders before; Christian Usher has been a Deacon before and returns as a Deacon. Jim Siegmund and Kyle Smith have both been Elders but now have been named as Deacons. And Katie Smith was our most recent Moderator of the Deacons but now will be an Elder. So while most of us probably have some familiarity with these officers, five have submitted bios so that the congregation can know them better.

Susan Skoglund: Susan Skoglund is returning to Session after a year away. She is a past Church treasurer and currently serves on the personnel committee. Susan grew up in Texas, graduated from Singleton High School, attended Baylor University, graduated from Auburn University in Montgomery, and has an MS in Personnel Management from Troy State University in Montgomery. Her husband was a career Air Force officer who died in 1996. Susan has worked in all levels of church governance. She loves to read, to shop, and to spend time with her granddaughters, Addy and Lexi, and great grands, Charlie and Ellis. She is working with the Presbyterian Women Churchwide Board of Directors as Co-chair of the Stewardship Advisory Group. She is a retired Internal Revenue Service Senior Manager.

Katie Smith: I was born and raised in San Bernardino, and grew up attending Del Rosa United Methodist Church. After graduation from PHS, I completed my undergrad in Econ at UCLA and MBA at CSUSB. I worked in the mortgage banking industry for a dozen years before “retiring” to stay home with our two kids. Once Alyson and Kyle were in school, I lectured part-time at SBVC before going back to CSUSB to earn my Education Specialist credential. I then taught Special Education for eighteen years (primarily spectrum kiddos in grades K/1) both in the San Bernardino and Redlands School Districts, before retiring this past June.

I started attending First Presbyterian about fifteen years ago when our son Kyle became involved in FOC. Every once in a while, my husband (David) will attend with me.

Kyle Smith: I first attended First Presbyterian as a guest member of our youth group. My friend Trevor invited me, and I'd jump off a bridge if he asked me to, so I went (and I loved it), so much so that I went through confirmation to become a full member only a year into high school! I have been a member since 2010. After graduating I attended CBU, studying business and psychology. I then went to Northeastern University in Boston, earning my certificate in statistics and data analysis. After returning I served as an Elder on Session and as part of the Stewardship Committee. I spent a year working in insurance and then I moved to Yamanashi, Japan to fulfill a lifelong dream of living abroad and embracing a completely different culture. I loved living in Japan for four years as an English as a second language teacher where I really felt like part of the community. I came home last May and am working at Painter, Smith & Amberg Inc. for my father hoping to learn as much as I can about finance. I am so excited to be part of Deacons and to use what I have learned in the last few years to serve our congregation and community for our Lord's purpose.

Christian Usher: My name is Christian Usher. My family and I have been coming to FPCSB for about thirty years now. My Mom was born in New Jersey; however, as a Navy brat she traveled all over the world but eventually found her way to SCU where my Dad was pursuing a PhD. After completing his PhD my father eventually took a position in San Bernardino at CSUSB. I was born and raised in San Bernardino. I first started preschool at First Presbyterian; however, for kindergarten, my dad took a sabbatical in North Carolina, where I stayed for a year. We lived in Raleigh, NC. What I remember most about my time there was the woods behind our house, the deep snow that piled up during a blizzard that winter (it was my first time seeing snow and it was about as tall as I was at the time), and the deep blue of the Cherenkov radiation coming off the reactor at NC state. After coming back from NC I started school at California Creative Arts, back before it was called Manuel Salinas Elementary School. After elementary school I then went to Golden Valley. Then after middle school my dad took another sabbatical to Ireland, where I had my first year of high school. I very much enjoyed my time in the Irish school system, and it brought me to reflect on my prior education. After Ireland we traveled Europe, briefly going to Italy, France, and having Christmas in Switzerland. After a year we came back to San Bernardino where I spent the rest of high school at Cajon in the IB program. After high school I studied at CSU Channel Islands where I graduated with a BS in Biology. I volunteered at community hospital in San Bernardino for about a year and a half. I was briefly a deacon before I was accepted into ***continued on next page***

medical school at St. George's University. Since then, I've studied in person and in paper in Granada (West Indies); London; New York City; Wellington, New Zealand; and San Jose, before being offered a pre-match for residency in Hemet. As I write this, I am awaiting my diploma and getting ready to start my residency in Family Medicine. My hobbies include video games, running, rock climbing, and fencing. I have a pet labradoodle.

Neal Williams: I was born to Lester and Louise Williams in Edgemont, California. The town eventually became Moreno Valley along with Sunnymead. When I was two years old, they were killed in a car crash, and my baby sister and I went to live with Grandma and Grandpa Reynolds in Wainwright, Alberta, Canada. When Grandpa died, I went to live with my grandparents (dad's side) in Fort Cobb, Oklahoma. When Grandma died, I went to a foster family in Crestline, California. My sister stayed with Grandma. We were both adopted by Harold and Irene Williams in Riverside, California. They were our familial aunt and uncle. They were our beloved parents for the rest of our lives.

We moved from Riverside to Rialto and then to Whittier when I was in high school. I then went to Rio Hondo College for an AA degree in Geology. As the draft was still in effect, I joined the Navy in 1970. I did basic training and tech school in San Diego and got assigned to a communications unit in Adak, Alaska at my own request. I had always wanted to go to Alaska. After a year there I transferred to Oahu. I was cross-trained as a hospital corpsman there and was sent to hike with the Marines in a far-flung Asian country near the DMZ. On my return to Hawaii, I had the distinct pleasure of driving for an admiral. I liked Alaska better, but the admiral was great.

After leaving the Navy I moved to Crestline in 1974 and attended Valley College, where I received an AA degree in biology. I worked for the Crest Forest Fire Department and the US Forest Service part-time during that period. I wanted to work full-time for the fire department so took an EMT course, loved it, and knew what I wanted to be. I went to work at Sun City Ambulance and went to Loma Linda U for my paramedic course and returned to Sun City. After that I went to Courtesy Ambulance in San Bernardino. Then, since I was still working in Crest Forest, I did get a full-time job with CDF, now Cal Fire. I retired from CDF in 2003 after 20 years.

I have remained living in Crestline for 52 years. After retiring I decided to return to church and join a choir. I attended the Lutheran Church of Our Savior until they decided to save money by eliminating the choir, and I moved on to San Bernardino Presbyterian Church as they had a great choir. I sang with Larry Kistner at an ecumenical service here. I have served on the Building and Grounds Committee and am now on Session. I have also been a part of Food Distribution and have made a lot of noise in the Choir.



Ordination and installation of new officers.

Susan Skoglund, Katie Smith, Neal Williams, Pat Morris, Kyle Smith, Rick Rodriguez, Christian Usher, Pastor Wendy Lamb

February and March Celebrations

Feb 2 Brian & Amy Gano	Doris Schiavone	Mar 12 Richard Rodriguez
Feb 4 Steve Smith	Feb 19 Amy Smith	Mar 13 Adam Kistner
Feb 6 Kiera Everly French	Feb 22 Janet McKinster	Dotti Garcia
Feb 7 Stephanie Fletcher	Feb 23 Martha Pinckney	Mar 14 Breanna Nord
Clara Gresham	Feb 26 Christa Wallis	Mar 18 Rebecca Nelligan
Frank Thomas		Todd & Elizabeth Wright
Feb 8 Hannah Huffstutler	Mar 2 Kristine French	Mar 22 Laura Munz
Bodner	Lynda Savage	Mar 23 Ann Aguilera
Feb 11 Carol Cooper	Kurt Star	Grant Garcia
Tim Garcia	Mar 3 Teofila Rosemarie	Mar 24 Randy French
Feb 12 Sue Alexander	Fletcher	Linda Saenz
Feb 13 Nita Zwolinski	Asher Gano	Mar 26 Marianna Fowles
Feb 14 Eva Diane Olsen	Mar 5 Joyce Lyons	Mar 27 Noé Falconi
Feb 15 Randy Mantei	Mar 7 Kathy Showman	Mar 29 Reyna Jones
Joanna Nord	Mar 9 Sherman Ballard	Stephanie Ross
Feb 16 Kendra Elizabeth Lamb	Brent & Joanna Nord	

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26 8:45am Choir practice 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service	27 7:00pm Circle of Kindness	28 9:00am Food Distribution	29	30 9:00am Food Distribution	31 9:30am Kerygma	1 9:00am Symphonie Jeunesse 10:00am Straight Up AA
2 8:45am Choir practice 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service	3 5:00pm PW Coordinating Team	4 9:00am Food Distribution 12:00pm Circle of Faith 7:00pm Mensch Group	5 4:00pm Worship Committee	6 9:00am Food Distribution	7 9:30am Kerygma	8 9:00am Symphonie Jeunesse 10:00am Straight Up AA
9 8:45am Choir practice 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service 11:30am Congregational Meeting	10 5:00pm Nurture Committee	11 9:00am Food Distribution 12:30pm Staff Meeting	12	13 9:00am Food Distribution 6:30pm Sanctuary Choir	14 9:30am Kerygma 10:30am Food Bagging	15 9:00am Deacon Food Distribution 10:00am Straight Up AA 1:00pm Symphonie Jeunesse
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9 Daylight-Saving Time Begins 8:45am Choir practice 9:30am Adult Bible Study 10:30am Worship Service	10 5:00pm Nurture Committee	11 9:00am Food Distribution 6:30pm Deacons	12 12:30pm Staff Meeting	13 9:00am Food Distribution 6:30pm Sanctuary Choir	14 9:30am Kerygma 10:30am Food Bagging	15 9:00am Deacon Food Distribution 10:00am Straight Up AA 1:00pm Symphonie Jeunesse
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 Acting Head of Staff*

The Rev. Dr. Stephen W. Smith

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Laurie Stafford

Ministry of Visitation

The Rev. Jim Huffstutler

Pastor Emeritus

Our Mission Statement

Moved by the Spirit, we strive to create an open and inclusive community embodying the love, forgiveness, and grace of Christ which we extend to ourselves, each other, our neighbors, and our world through nurturing relationships, creative celebrations, continuous learning, and transformational service.