# First Things—May 19, 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 $\sim$ 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 Martha Piesko.

Register today using this QR Code:

## Come Join the Fun at VBC and Volunteer!



The VBC Orientation/Training Meeting is **Monday**, **June 3 at 10AM** in Room 141-142. This meeting is for all people who have offered to serve or are interested in serving. You will receive an overview (the big picture) of the program, as well as specific info on the

different areas you can volunteer to serve. Please contact Martha Piesko <marthapiesko@fpcbirmingham.org> if you have any questions.



#### Statement of Discipleship

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

Blanket Sunday is May 19. \$10 provides a blanket.









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**Did You Know?** Anyone who is a member of FPC is invited to serve communion at the 10am service. There is a sign-up sheet in a pink folder on the table outside Calvin Hall. If you need more information or have questions, please text or call Linda Erickson at 248.408.8069. We would welcome your participation in this sacrament.

## May Deacons' Pantry— Foster Care Coalition

Please donate: Shampoo, conditioner (Cantu brand recommended), body soap, face tissue, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, mouthwash, feminine products, hand and body lotion, aroma therapy products, new and like



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new luggage, duffle bags and backpacks.



#### 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.

## ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT 2024

We're getting together a **Leadership Team to Plan ABC** and to fulfill the following roles (roles may have multiple people): 1) Worship planning, includes theme, music, liturgy & graphics, recruitment of worship participation & rehearsals 2) Hostess and guest recruitment, 3) Decorate, obtain materials & set-up,

- 4) Hostess communication, seating & nametags,
- 5) Coordinate security & candlelighters, 6) Charity

donations, 7) Clean-up team.
ABC date selected by team.
Contact Dawn Swarthout at
dawn@fpcbirmingham.org.



#### Flowers for the Sanctuary

Would you like to honor a loved one or celebrate a special occasion? If so, consider donating flowers on Sunday mornings and you write the dedication! Sign up on the posters on the wall across from Calvin Hall. Flowers can be taken home or donated through Deacons.





Book Groups. See Adult Faith Formation:



FP Hand-in-Hand Early Learning Center info:



# Volunteer Opportunities

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!

