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# Welcome Rev. Kathryn Rívera Torea

We look forward to a new beginning at First Presbyterian Church with new pastoral leadership! Rev. Rivera Torea (Pastor Katie) will begin her ministry a week later than previously announced. Her first day in the pulpit will be Sunday, January 23, 2022. She will have limited office hours beginning Monday, January 17.

Pastor Katie and Juan Pablo were overwhelmed and overjoyed during their visit December 3-5. Thanks to everyone who attended the open house, worship, fellowship hour, and Advent gathering. It was a great opportunity for Katie and Juan Pablo to be introduced to our welcoming congregation.

Please make a note of Pastor Katie's contact information:

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### Christian Education

### By Julie Lindsey





December was filled with the magic of advent candle lighting, special music, watching and waiting for Jesus' birth through scripture and lessons. And then there was the Christmas Pageant!!! Thank you all, children and adults alike who brought a beautiful story of love and hope to the congregation. We are grateful for the commitment of the parents who brought their children to practice, helped them with their costumes and lines, provided delicious cookies for fellowship hour, and who continue to nurture the children with their support and loving example.

January promises to be filled with new beginnings as we wait for Pastor Katie's arrival. We are excited to start our relationship with this dynamic lady. Katie is ready to jump right in with the Christian Education team. There are already plans for a confirmation class, youth activities, and continued Jr Worship programs.

Our Jr Worship curriculum will follow Jesus from a young boy and as he grows into young adulthood. We will meet his friends and followers along the way that impacted his life and fulfilled the prophecies.

It is our pleasure and honor to be with your children each Sunday as we walk through this journey of teaching and learning together.

Your Christian Education Team Sarah, Kathy, Gretchen, Megan, and Julie

### **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

### By Selinda Schultz

We are entering the Season of Epiphany on January 6<sup>th</sup>. During this time the identity and purpose of the Christ Child are revealed. In that spirit our new book for study is <u>Inspired</u> by Rachel Held Evans. It is described by fellow author, Nadia Bolz-Weber as a love letter to scripture. In it she shows us how to love the Bible, how to see its flaws, beauty, strength and spirit at the same time.

Join us starting Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> at 10AM to embark on a journey of exploring the Bible with fresh eyes. We meet in Fellowship Hall either in person or via Zoom. Call Selinda at 419-865-8383 for more information.



# **MISSION**

## Randy Phillips, Team Leader

"The purpose of human life is to serve, and to show compassion and the will



to help others." (Albert Schweitzer)

JANUARY 'S PCU COLLECTION ITEM: Canned Vegetables

**HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER:** Hygiene & Cleaning Products needed!

Drop off site: Church vestibule.

PCU UPDATE: The Perrysburg Rotary donated 80 turkeys for the holiday meals. Zoar Church Blood Drive: Saturday, January 22, 2022 from 8AM-2PM.

GOOD SAMARITAN FUND: In November, two individuals received a \$25.00 gas card.

ANGEL TREE: It was heartwarming how fast the angels were chosen and the giftwrapped packages were beautifully done! An enormous THANK YOU to the following: Julie Lindsey, Megan Merrell, Jan Martell, Michelle Chavez, Marty Sloan, Grimm's, Cecilia Richardson, Fay Mitchell, Simmons', Rusty Phlegar, Kay Traver, Salvage's, Brenda Youel, Randy & Eileen Phillips, Sarah Magoun, Martha Gluth, Kathy East, Melinda Gallant, Kathy Jarosz, Chris Stuart, Nancy Gates, and Gilts'.

CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING: The congregation donated \$710.00 during the offering period! The Mission Team donated an additional \$500.00 for a total of \$1,210.00 for 2021! A sincere "THANK YOU" to all of you that helped support this program.



MISSION MEAL: Sub sandwiches, chips, fruit, and bottled water.

Wednesday, Jan. 19 th - Louisiana House Thursday, Jan. 20 th - Elm House

The Mission Team will be providing all food items.

NOSA CARD: Total sales in December was \$2475.00. Thankful and grateful for all of your support!

NEXT MEETING: January 5, 2022 at 6:00 PM by Mary Beth Gilts

# WORSHIP/MUSIC By Marty Sloan



<u>Welcome to Our New Minister</u>: The 2022 New Year begins with our grateful appreciation and heartfelt welcome for our new Pastor Katie Rivera Torea! Pastor Katie will lead us in worship beginning on January 23, 2022! All are encouraged to participate in this exciting new life at the church!

<u>Christmas</u>: A sincere thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the Christmas Eve service. Special thanks to Isla Davies for honoring us with a beautiful solo of "*God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen*." We enjoyed being together and worshipping with our extended families and friends in celebration of our Lord's birth!

<u>Flowers</u>: Sincere thanks to all who ordered Christmas Poinsettias! Our sanctuary looked full and lovely for Christmas Eve!

Please remember to sign up for altar flowers for a Sunday in 2022 – Sign up sheet and order forms are on the bulletin board. Please note that the charge for ordering altar flowers has increased to \$60.00 for 2 vases of flowers.



### SERVING CHART FOR JANUARY, 2022

	HEAD USHER	GREETERS / USHERS	MINISTER	LITURGIST	CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	JR. WORSHIP LEADER	POWER POINT
2	Don Youel	Marty Gluth/ Marty Sloan	Rev. Melinda Gallant	Molly Chalfin	Gretchen Downs	N/A	Nancy Gates
9	Stephen Potts	Carole Sprague/ Marty Sloan	Jim Boroff	Don Youel	Don Youel	TBD	Kathy Jarosz
16	Stephen Potts	Cecilia Richardson/ Marty Sloan	Rev. Dr. Gavin Pitt	Jay Salvage	Allison Mackin	TBD	Gretchen Downs
23	Stephen Potts	Doris Currie / Marty Sloan	Rev. Katie Rivera Torea	Rusty Phlegar	Megan Merrell	TBD	Stephen Potts
30	Stephen Potts	Kathy Jarosz/ Marty Sloan	Rev. Katie Rivera Torea	Kathy East	Sarah Magoun	TBD	Stephen Potts

If you have a conflict with assigned date, please try to trade with another volunteer and inform Marty Sloan. Call 419.973.0623 or email <a href="massloan107@me.com">mssloan107@me.com</a>. If unable to resolve conflict, contact Marty as soon as possible. Thank you for your service to FPC.

# SERVING CHART FOR FEBRUARY, 2022

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6	Don Youel	Lowrie Gilmore / Carole Sprague	Rev. Katie Rivera Torea	Allison Mackin	Mary Beth Gilts	TBD	TBD
13	Don Youel	Sarah Crawford / Lizzy Crawford	Rev. Katie Rivera Torea	Kathy Jarosz	Pastor Katie	TBD	TBD
20	Don Youel	Rhyn Davies / Isla Davies	Rev. Katie Rivera Torea	Stephen Potts	Kathy East	TBD	TBD
27	Don Youel	Linda Simmons / Abbie Simmons	Rev. Katie Rivera Torea	Jack Simmons	Molly Chalfin	TBD	TBD

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# January 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 NEW YEAR'S DAY
2 10:00 am Worship/ Communion No Jr. Worship NOSA Cards sale	3	4 10:00 am Bible Study	5 6:00 pm Mission Team Meeting	6 6:30 pm Worship/ Music Team Mtg.	7	8
9 10:00 am Worship Installation of new Elders	10	11 10:00 am Bible Study 6:30 pm Session Meeting	12	13	14	15
16 10:00 am Worship NOSA Cards sale	17 4:30 pm Finance/ Stewardship Team Meeting	18 10:00 am Bible Study	19 Mission Meal – Louisiana House	20 Mission Meal – Elm House	21	22
23 10:00 am Worship Pastor Katie's 1 <sup>st</sup> Worship Service	24	25 10:00 am Bible Study	26	27	28	29
30 10:00 am Worship	31					

# **Birthday Wishes**

#### **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

#### **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Jan. 1	Alexandria Hope	Feb. 3	Ian Bova
Jan. 2	Amy Konz	Feb. 4	Priscella Bearden
Jan. 3	Delbert Duckins	Feb. 5	Jack Simmons
Jan. 12	Ross Martin	Feb. 6	Thomas Beebe
Jan. 14	Kay Traver	Feb. 6	Tom Stuart
Jan. 16	Margot Quick	Feb. 13	Rachael Youel
Jan. 18	Melinda Gallant	Feb. 15	Robert Duddy
Jan. 18	Martha Gluth	Feb. 15	Eva Lengel
Jan. 21	Helen Haas	Feb. 17	Margaret Mackin
Jan. 23	David Traver	Feb. 23	Sophia Walcher
Jan. 25	Pat Sheridan	Feb. 25	Allison Mackin

If you have a birthday that is not listed, please contact the church office so that we can update our records.

#### PARISH CONCERNS

### Please remember these members and friends in your daily prayers:

Joe Brainard Dorothy Darr
Eva Lengel Geraldine McGue
Fay Mitchell Barb Modrzynski
Rick Modrzynski Diana Oliver
Pat Sheridan Ed & Sue Williams

### **January 2022 Newsletter**

**Service Times:** 

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Children are excused during the worship service to attend Sunday School Communion is served on the first Sunday of each month

### Session Members

Jo Salvage – Clerk

Nancy Gates, Co-Clerk

Molly Chalfin

Mary Beth Gilts

Allison Mackin

Stephen Potts

Melissa Cain, Co-Clerk

Kathy East

Jon Grimm

Randy Phillips

Stephen Potts

Jay Salvage

Marty Sloan

### Staff

Pastor	Rev. Katie Rivera Torea
Adult Education Director	Selinda Schultz
Musician	Jordan Karrigan
Treasurer	Don Youel
Secretary	Linda Bristow
Financial Secretary	Tom Connolly
Custodian	Kristin Burgoon
Nursery Attendant	Kate Magoun

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