



FPC NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2024

“With All the Saints: Stewardship 2025”

The words to the third verse of the hymn “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God” are: “They (the saints) lived not only in ages past; there are hundreds of thousands still; The world is bright with the joyous saints who love to do Jesus’ will. You can meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains, or in shops or at tea; for the saints of God are just folk like me, and I mean to be one too.”

This verse reminds us that all who believe in Jesus are “saints”. The book of Ephesians says that as saints, the Spirit has equipped us for ministry, for building up the body of Christ. (Ephesians 4:12) We can be found everywhere in order to serve Christ anywhere!

When we participate in the life of the church and community, we claim our place alongside all the saints, doing the work of God.

As a part of the “cloud of witnesses” to the joy and power of Christ, the Session asks you to consider how you can both support and participate in the ministry of FPC through your commitment of your time, talent, and resources.

Focusing on our resources for a moment, this is the time of year when we are all asked to consider our financial commitment to the church. Our commitments nurture our faith through worship, fellowship, mission, and education. The Session has adopted a challenge budget for next year to meet the ongoing ministry needs of the church. Copies of this budget are available on the table in the church narthex. Please take one for review. As you look over it, give thanks for all the saints of this church do. Also consider how you can support FPC by committing your resources.

In the middle of October, you will receive a pledge card to help the Session plan for the coming year. The first Sunday in November, which is the 3rd, is Dedication Sunday. Please join us in worship that day to commit your pledge and all pledges to the work of the saints in this place.

Thank you.

Sweet Cheeks News



VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH

September

These individuals gave their time, talents, and love to our diaper pantry!

Jessica Olsen	Belen Zambrono
Suzi Fallis	Larry Hartley
Lori Wait	Candy Bevers
Ashley Roblero	Sheri Hookey
Lisa Mincy	Andrea Fernandez
Debbie Laitinen	Pedrito Zambrono
Scott Hookey	Sandy Cordes
Alyssa Haas	Jordan Brewer
Marci Leinart	Claudia Villatoro
Jaylin Mazariegos	

Diaper Volunteers + Shift Leaders: 13

Bundlers: 6

Translators: 4

From our FPC Family: 15

From our community: 4



Can you Bundle?



We are serving just shy of 500 children every month. Can't work a shift but have some time to make bundles?? As we see these increases, it's imperative we have ample amounts of stock for the shelves. Chat with Jessica or Suzi about a time to bundle that works for your schedule!



The pantry has been blessed with 3 large donations from Indiana Diaper Bank recently. Quarter 3 has seen almost 50,000 diapers donated! This allows us to offset our costs {and wipe our brows} as we continue to see increases of Jackson County families needing our services. A huge thank you to Jerry Mincy for helping us haul the donations from Indianapolis and committee members for always being willing to be at church to help unload!

Pantry Volunteer Fall Dates Available!

It is that time to look at our calendars and find dates to volunteer at Sweet Cheeks Diaper Pantry! October dates are NOW available. One of our dedicated Pantry Committee members will be there throughout the shifts to assist you in serving our clients! It is easy, fun and very rewarding! Volunteering is a great way to support this mission!

Follow the link or scan the code to be directed to our SignUpGenius and pick a date or two!

If you need help signing up, I am happy to help!

-- Suzi 812-525-9493 or
s4fallis@gmail.com

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844A9A928A7FAC61-47049244-sweet#/>



happy BIRTHDAY

- 2 Shane Fallis
- 4 Linda Jordan
Lauren Mincy-Vu
- 10 Jerry Mincy
Zander Hopkins
- 13 Scott Hookey
- 15 Ann Windley
- 16 Carson Williamson
- 21 Henry Paul Mails
- 23 Matthew Raynor
- 27 Bill Bevers
- 28 Cheryl Bowser
- 31 Dave Jungclaus

SEPTEMBER SPECIAL CALENDAR

Oct. 14	Committee Meetings	6pm
Oct. 21	Session Meeting	6pm
Oct. 27	Congregational meeting: Election of Officers	11am

FINANCIAL OVERVIEW THROUGH AUGUST 31ST

YTD Income	\$223,005.09
YTD Expenses	\$250,361.71
Net Loss YTD	-- \$27,356.62

THESE DAYS

Daily Devotions for Living by Faith

Be sure to grab your copy of the *These Days* booklet for the months of October through December from the narthex table!