

ANNOUNCEMENTS



ANNUAL PER CAPITA OFFERING

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Each January, First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood pays a Per Capita offering to the Presbyterian Church (USA) which allows church governing bodies to participate "equally, responsibly, and interdependently by sharing the cost of coordination and evaluation of mission." First Presbyterian has benefitted greatly from the support and services PC(USA) has provided over the years and is committed to supporting it.

This year's Per Capita expense is \$40 per member. We would like to give our members the opportunity to help offset this expense through a special Per Capita Offering. Your \$40 Per Capita donation can be made by contributing through the Give page on the FPC website and selecting Per Capita Offering, or by mailing your donation to the office, or including it in the Per Capita envelopes during the offering at services. Your support is greatly appreciated.

HELP THOSE IMPACTED BY THE CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES

Find the links on our website to GIVE TO:
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

&

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Family-Friendly Trivia DAY!



Sunday, February 23, 3:00-4:30 pm

Come for a fun afternoon of trivia that will be intentionally designed to be fun for the whole family. Questions aimed at children, teens and adults as well as a couple of more experiential rounds that do not require you to know the full name of Sonic the Hedgehog* to get points!

Tables of 8 are available (or fewer if you prefer) and the cost is \$5 per person - funds raised will support our high school Work Camp mission trip this summer! (Payment at the event)

Bring snacks with you - we will provide drinks. There will NOT be things to bid on — this is just meant to be a fun time with friends and family!

“Family” is defined by any relationship to FPC Kirkwood.

Unless otherwise noted, activities happen in Fellowship Hall at First Presbyterian of Kirkwood

Contact Rob Monroe for more info: rmonroe@kirkwoodpres.org - 314-965-0326 x128

Use this link for trivia registration: <https://forms.gle/Db4wPq1S852v13Ny8>

*Sonic's name is Olgivie Maurice Hedgehog

Buildings and Grounds Committee is Seeking New Members

The Buildings and Grounds Committee is looking for additional members to serve on the committee. If you have interest or experience in facility and grounds systems, maintenance, and development, we would love to hear from you. In addition to periodic meetings, involvement can range from advisory to project management to rolling up your sleeves and pitching in on repairs and groundskeeping. There are many opportunities for a variety of skills and interests. For more information, please contact Bill Larson, Business Manager, blarson@kirkwoodpres.org.

Sponsor a New Hymnal

First Presbyterian Church is ordering twenty new Glory to God hymnals for the sanctuary. We are offering members the opportunity to help offset the cost through a memorial dedication. Hymnals that are sponsored will have a label on the inside cover with the memorial dedication to a loved one.

<https://fpck.shelbnextchms.com/external/form/c19911e1-3bce-4825-ad39-923129b958ec>.

Questions? Contact Bill Larson at blarson@kirkwoodpres.org.



The Con Spirito Concert Series Presents

IMI

CHAMBER PLAYERS

- ◆ First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood
 - ◆ Sunday, February 2 at 3:00 p.m.
 - ◆ Admission is free
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Celebrate Music & Diversity at **First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood**

Join us for the next installment of the Con Spirito Concert Series at First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood! On Sunday, February 2, at 3:00 p.m., the Intercultural Music Initiative's Chamber Players Woodwind Quintet will perform in the Sanctuary. This is a free event, open to all music lovers in the community.

Founded in St. Louis 30 years ago, the Intercultural Music Initiative (IMI) has built a global reputation for promoting diversity in classical music. Their performances blend beloved classics with works by lesser-known composers, particularly those of African descent and other underrepresented groups. Audiences enjoy a unique blend of artistry, education, and cultural exploration, as the musicians share insights into their creative process.

The IMI Chamber Players' Woodwind Quintet features a talented ensemble of flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, and horn players. Known for their expressive performances and innovative programming, the quintet's repertoire includes their acclaimed recording "Dances & Rhapsodies: Works for Wind Quintet by Fred Onovwerosuoke." They have performed at prominent events like the National Flute Association Annual Convention and in venues across St. Louis.

Don't miss this opportunity to experience music that celebrates culture, creativity, and connection in the beautiful setting of our Sanctuary.

For more information about the IMI Chamber Players and their upcoming performances, visit their website at www.imusici.net.

We hope to see you there!

Christian Concerns Class

9:30-10:30 a.m. in Room 009

Christian Concerns is also shown on Zoom for those at home.

Zoom Link: <https://bit.ly/ChristianConcerns> **Meeting ID:** 838 3632 0060 **Passcode:** 63122

February 2 and 9: Paul and Wallace Ward will be presenting some of the work of the Kirkwood Historical Society. The Kirkwood Black Heritage Celebration events are a part of the work of this group.

Dismantling Structural Racism

We have an opportunity to participate in a **Kirkwood Black Heritage celebration with** 3 events in January and February. Many of you will remember the tours of the Mudd's Grove area last year.

You may register for the events on our website under the "Get Involved" and "Community Outreach" tab, or, using the following web address:

<https://kirkwoodpres.org/communityoutreach#dismantling-structural-racism>

- Kirkwood Black history: a musical journey on January 31st 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. This is a ticketed event.
- Freedom crossroads lecture on February 8th.
- Motorcoach Tours and Mudd's Grove open House on February 22nd.

Book Clubs

Tuesday Book Club: The February selection of Tuesday Book Club is Nudge: The Final Edition, by Richard H. Thaler and Cass R. Sunstein, described by a reviewer as "funny, useful, and wise." We meet every Tuesday in the Fireplace Room from 10:00-11:00 AM. All are welcome to join in. Contact person: kochkarenp@gmail.com.

Wednesday Book Club: Our next meeting of the Wednesday Book Club is February 26 at 1:30 over zoom. We will be discussing Lady Tan's Circle of Women by Lisa See. This is inspired by the true story of a woman physician in 15th century China. Please contact julia@abreu.net for more information.

How to Give Online

Give online with a onetime gift or set up reoccurring payments and pay with ACH direct from your checking account, via credit card, or using GooglePay. Go to https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/kirkwoodpres_ and follow the prompts, text GIVE to 314-293-4922, or scan the QR code to go directly our giving portal. Questions? Reach out to accounting@kirkwoodpres.org.



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