



“GOOD TO BE WITH THE LORD”

World Communion Sunday

Ordinary Time 27 ☿ October 4, 2020

Farmingdale Presbyterian Church

We continue to broadcast on Facebook LIVE
so that those who need to remain at home can participate in our service as well.

We will continue to broadcast LIVE
on the Farmingdale Presbyterian Church Facebook PAGE.
Click this link to begin <https://www.facebook.com/117577718260113/live/>

You do NOT have to join Facebook to watch our worship service.

Digital Worship Bulletins can be downloaded at the FPC Website:

<http://www.farmpreschurch.org/>
Direct link—<https://bbqspann.wixsite.com/website>

If you missed Facebook Live, you can still view the service.
Use the Facebook link above & look for video in our "Posts".

Let us know you are there by saying "hi," commenting,
& hitting the Like or Love buttons.
We love to know you are watching!!

We are striving to include as many of our congregation as possible.

Please join us Live at 10 am!

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October 4, 2020

Dear Farmingdale family,

Greetings! I hope you and your loved ones are doing well. The Special Task Force has been preparing the building for our return to worship on Sunday, 10/4. We are re-gathering in our sanctuary for the first time since March 8 to celebrate World Communion Sunday.

FPC guidelines are taken from the 7/21/2020 Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) recommendations, the Center for Disease Control, and Presbyterian Church (USA) guidelines. These practices are in place so that we can be together again in a way that reduces the spread of COVID-19 and were developed with the consideration for certain groups – those over 65, those who have serious underlying medical conditions, and those with small children. Please help us to protect one another so that we can meet face-to-face safely.

Here are the practices we are implementing:

1. **Face coverings** must be worn at all times upon entering the church for worship.
2. **Seating and standing areas** will be marked to maintain physical distancing of 6 feet or more between congregants from different households.
3. **Service length** will be shortened to a **maximum of 40 minutes** with **no group singing or recitation** as these activities contribute to the spread of COVID-19.
4. **A maximum of 50 people** will be allowed to attend indoor worship.
5. **Temperatures will be taken** for each person when entering the church.
6. **Hand sanitizer** will be placed in multiple locations to be used when entering the building and after use of the restrooms.
7. **Entering and exiting the building** will be guided by ushers maintaining social distances at all times.
8. **A secure donation box** will be used instead of passing the offering plates.
9. **One person at a time** will be allowed to **use the restroom. Cleaning supplies and instructions** will be placed at the restrooms to be used when leaving.
10. **Increased cleaning and disinfecting procedures** will be utilized after indoor services.
11. **Attendance** will be recorded in case contact tracing is needed.

So what will it be like when you get to church?

Upon leaving your car, please put on your mask, stay with your family, and maintain six foot distance between each group. Even though the heat will be on, the windows and doors will be open to increase the fresh air in our gathering space. **Make sure you bring a jacket or covering as you might get chilly.**

As you are waiting to enter the building, the lines on the sidewalk are markers to help you maintain distance.

Please use the new touchless hand sanitizing machine in the entry.

An usher will take your temperature.

Please self-monitor by answering the questions we are all too familiar with:

- Have you experienced a cough, loss of taste, or fever?

- Have you been tested for COVID-19?
- Have you been exposed to anyone who is being tested or is positive for COVID-19?

If you can answer yes, we ask you to return home to protect yourself & others.

Before entering the sanctuary, pick up from the table your worship supplies such as worship bulletins (1 per family), communion elements in individual snack bags (on communion Sundays), and any other handouts or supplies.

At this table, an usher will sign you in. We are maintaining attendance records for contact tracing if needed.

When entering the sanctuary, be mindful of maintaining your distance.

Pews that are **off limits** are marked by pool noodles & ribbons. Please sit in the area where there is wood showing on the back of the pew. The sliding doors to the Fellowship Hall will be open to increase seating for family groups around the tables and give you plenty of room to maneuver around other households.

Once you are seated, please remain in your seat until the end of the service which should be 40 minutes or less. If you must use the restroom, please mind your distance and only one person at a time in the restroom.

After the service, please mind your distance and exit when dismissed.

Some other things to remember:

- ♦ We **WILL** be celebrating communion this Sunday. You will receive communion elements as you enter. Pastor Lonna will give you further instructions when we get to that part of the service.
- ♦ When we resume with liturgists, each speaker will use a separate microphone.
- ♦ There will be no Sunday School classes because of space limitations.

We will continue to broadcast services on Facebook Live. We are aware of and working on the connection issues. As we move into the building, we are hoping the wireless connection will be stronger. Please let us know if there are still problems We may need to purchase new recording equipment that has the ability to save the service as a recording and/or be hard wired into the DSL line.

We are looking forward to being together again after almost 7 months out of our sanctuary. Everything will feel different even though our surroundings will be familiar. Please be patient with us as we move into the building and remember the 3 "W"s - wear your mask, wash your hands, and watch your distance.

Health & Peace,
Pastor Lonna

FARMINGDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
welcomes you to our family as we celebrate God's grace!

Distance cannot break the bonds of Christian fellowship.
The Spirit is faithful and connects us to one another
even over distance and separation.

Due to Covid-19 orders, we are worshiping God in a new way. God is all around us all the time. We have access to God's power and love if we are worshiping together at our building or if we are worship at home. We are just glad you are continuing to center yourself in God's love during this unprecedented time. May our prayers and praise bring Glory to God where we are safe. Your worship puts God's power and love into our world so that we can strengthen our nation and God's world in the fight for preserving life during these days.

If you are looking for a spiritual home, are interested in learning more about Farmingdale Church, or in becoming a member, we encourage you to visit us after the stay at home order is lifted.

WORSHIP NOTES

Communion is TODAY, Sunday, 9/13 Virtual Worship is BYOE—Bring Your Own Elements. Please have communion elements (cracker/bread/cake/cookie & a cup with liquid of your choice) ready to celebrate virtual communion in TODAY'S service.

Parents and children, here is the link to a lesson complete with story, coloring pages, puzzles, discussion questions & activities.

https://sermons4kids.com/second_chance.htm

Offering: There is an offering box where you can drop your offering. You can also continue to mail your pledges to the church. Thank you for your continued support!!

Prayer concerns can be texted, called or emailed to Pastor Lonna at (217) 801-7964 or fpcpastorlonna@yahoo.com. These prayer concerns will be sent to our phone & email prayer chain and added to Pastor Lonna's email communications. We are using first names and last initial to protect people's privacy.

Preaching Texts for next week, October 11—Ordinary Time 28 are:

OLD/PSALM—Exodus 32:1-14 & Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23 or Isaiah 25:1-9 & Psalm 23
EPISTLE: Philippians 4:1-9 GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:1-14

FARMINGDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 2020

SESSION & LEADERSHIP

CLASS OF 2020

Esther Bruns, Building & Grounds
Marialyce Havey, Long Range Planning
Carol Pappas, Church Life

CLASS OF 2021

Kim Hall, Christian Education
Carol Kirby, Mission (1 yr.)
Sara Ross, Christian Education
Wendy Volker, Church Life

CLASS OF 2022

Brett Conner, Stewardship
Faye Geist, Clerk of Session
Brandi Spann, Media
Peggy Williamson, Worship

Officers

Rev. Lonna C. Lee, Moderator
Scott Morey, Treasurer
Bill Kinner, Financial Secretary



JOYS & CONCERNS (updated 10/4/2020)



Births

Olivia Reese Balder—born 5:30am on 9/24, 6#10oz to Madison & Ryan (Carla M.'s 1st grandchild, Pat & Mel M.'s 1st g-grandchild)

Andrew Stone—born to Drew & Katie in TX (Carolyn S.'s 1st g-grandson)

Expecting

Rachel B.—baby boy due 10/2020 (Kim H.'s daughter)

Jodi S.—baby boy due 12/2020 (Lonna L.'s niece)

Grief & Deaths—Prayers for the family of . . .

*Adysen L.—8/15 ; continued prayers for her family & friends who are really struggling (Brandi S.)

*Nancy Esajian—6/8; 10/11 Zoom funeral 3pm CDT (Lonna, Chuck, & Ruby)

COVID-19

*President Trump, Melania Trump, Senators & Staffers at White House

Penny—tested positive for Covid-19 (Jennifer H.)

Neil—home 8/7 after his 5 mo. COVID-19 battle; outpatient PT (Havey)

Cancer Treatment & New Dx

*Kenny B.— bladder cancer; chemo therapy. (Bill & Carolyn K.'s BIL)

*Betsy I.—myeloma, finished 2nd cycle of chemo 10/5 traveling to UI Chicago to discuss stem cell transplant

*Sara Howe—10/12 biopsy MRI, confirmation that there indeed 2 masses that need to be biopsied (Pastor Lonna)

Marsha G.—stomach cancer, rough couple of weeks (Dave & Betty J.)

Jennifer H.—7/22 successful surgery; pain & healing

Pauline B.—treatment for brain cancer (Esther B.)

Cathy S.—blood cancer, now home after stem cell transplant that went great (Sharon W.'s SIL)

Ed K.—stg 4 bladder cancer; alt. treatments very strict diet; 3rd scan showing NO cancer. (Havey)

Melinda H.—acute leukemia (Jenica H.)

Linda S.—chemo for breast cancer (Marialyce H.'s cousin)

Teresa B.—breast cancer surg. & treatment (Kim H.)

Bill G.—advanced bone & lung cancer (Dave & Betty J.)

Other Needs/Transitions

Our essential workers—Carla M., Brett C., Dawn W., Kris K-C.

Melissa S.—going through rough times (Wendy V.)

Nation & World:

Nathan J. & Nik C.—Air Guard Reserve overseas deployment until 11/2020

All our service people and their families, especially:

- ♦ Christian J.—IL Air Guard Reserve
- ♦ J.T. M.—IN Air Guard Reserve
- ♦ Ryan B.—Navy, Charleston SC

Peace Prayers at 6pm

For our nation & world for the Covid-19 virus

For the unity of our nation.

For the recovery from natural disasters

Chronic Illness:

Cancer—Barbi (Aletha J.); Wesley (Jim & Donna B.); Gary (Bud W.); Daniel (Dameon M.) Earl, Dorothy, Judy (Dawn Wd.);

Carrie (Erica C.); Bob (Esther B.); Carole. Griffith, Monica

(Gary & Marialyce H.); Don, Jerry (Jenica & John H.); Mike, Judy (Pat. I, Lois I. Faye G.), Franci, Diana, Erin, Steve, Rhiann, (Dave & Betty J.); Carole, Carol, Danny (Judy A.); Lynne (Julia S.) Cindy, Natalie, Renee (Kim H.); Tommy, Dale, John (Kris K -C.); Daci (Lonna L.) Bill (Ralph G.); Don (Sharon W.)

MS—Kris H. (fibromyalgia), Brett C., Jennifer S.

COPD: Jimmy R. (Judy A.)

Fibro/Polymyalgia: Linda G., Bev M.

Crohn's: Carolyn M.; Sara (Dave/Betty J.); Larry (Bill K.)

Skilled Nursing: Lorene (Wendy V.)

Parkinsons: Kay (Sharon W.)

Seizures: Noah (Laura C.). Joe (Dave J); Claire W; Kye (Ralph G.)

Healing

*Bonnie G.—ER & admit to MMS Sat. night for dehydration & UTI

*Joie—1.5 feet of her colon & a mass removed (Cevileigh H.'s grandma)

Chuck G.—diverticulitis; **doing better!!**

Kathy S.—9/21 laparoscopic gall bladder removal

Velma F.—9/16 aortic valve replacement; home 9/17

Helen—lung mass; CT scan (Wendy V.)

Donna G.—pulmonary embolism, treated with meds released from MMC on 9/8 (Carolyn K.'s sister)

Carolyn K.—more prayers needed (Bill K.)

Debbie K.—8/8 fall, brain bleed doing better (Kris C.)

Carolyn M.—7/29 broken femur & surgery, now in rehab at Regency, send cards to c/o Regency, 2120 W. Washington, Springfield IL 62704

Chase G.—a note of thanks for prayers for in-patient treatment ; he's doing much better (Esther B.)

Angie M.—broke rib (Cheyenne H.'s aunt)

Eloise Havey—a rare disease; successful 6/13 vagus nerve stimulator implanted for with seizure control. (Gary H.'s cousin's young daughter)

Betty S.—fell, possible back surgery. (Sharon W.)

Nakyla—NICU, still unresponsive, born 1/14/20 due date was 3/22/20 (Dawn W.'s friend/manager's great-great-niece)

Dave N.—leg surgery (Dave J.)

Jan N.—upcoming surgery (Dave J.)

Angela—home after ICU, long road ahead (Dawn W.)

Mary—heart meds, doing better (Marialyce H.'s sister)

Taylor P.—1/23 back surgery, (Bud W.)

Debra W.—1/2020 hysterectomy (John I.; Maebeth N.)

Wendy V.—1/8 knee repair; 9/24 cataract complications

Sharon W.—hurt her back

Ray T. —stroke, now home, long recovery (Marialyce H.)

Dee H.—fell, facing surgeries & severe pain (Dave J.)

Tracy—heart & fatigue problems, (Sharon W.'s SIL)

Lorella—8/28 hip surgery (Wendy V.'s sister)

Rev. Keith H.—strokes (Kathy S.)

Mike W.—brain & prostate issues (John I.)

Kelsey R.—CHF, needs transplant, 24 y.o. (Kim H.)

Forrest S.—GI problems

Anne N.—getting stronger (Pat I.'s daughter)

THIS WEEK at Farmingdale Presbyterian Church

October 4—11, 2020

This Week at Farmingdale

10/4	Sunday	10am	World Communion Sunday – INDOOR Worship & on FB LIVE
10/5	M, T, Th, & F	3:30pm	Zoom Youth Room Hangout open if requested by texting Pastor Lonna (217) 801-7964
10/6	Tuesday	1-5pm	Office Open
10/7	Wednesday	9am 3:30-5:30pm	Abigail Circle in Fellowship Hall – Susie C. teach AYM Zoom Meeting – a surprise!
10/9	Friday	1-5pm 3-5pm	Office Open Pastor Lonna's Office Hours
10/11	Sunday	10am	Indoor & FB Live Worship – Ordinary 28

Upcoming Events

10/18	Sunday	10am	Indoor & FB Live Worship – Ordinary 29
10/19	Monday	5:30pm	Session Meeting
10/25	Sunday	10am	Indoor & FB Live Worship – Ordinary 30
11/1	Sunday	10am	Worship – Ordinary 31 & All Saints Day
11/8	Sunday	10am	Worship – Ordinary 32 & Veterans Day

The Halloween Party has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions.

PENTECOST Offering

GOES TO SUPPORT NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MINISTRIES

25% of this Special Offering will stay to do work with our local youth ministries

Please give generously!



How to reach Pastor Lonna

(217) 801-7964 Cell & text

*The most immediate way to reach her
is on her mobile by voice or text.*

If it goes to voicemail, please leave a message!

E-mail — fpcPastorLonna@yahoo.com

Please send in your joys & concerns by email, text, or phone call. Prayer concerns will be updated at least daily.

If you have a need or know someone in our church family who may have a need, please let your Pastor or Session know. You will find a roster of at the beginning of your 2019 Annual Report distributed in February

This Week's FPC Office Hours

*Tuesdays & Fridays
from 1-5pm.*

*If you are coming by, please observe social
distancing & using a face covering.*

We are without an office manager at this time.

*If you need assistance with a Church project, please
contact Pastor Lonna at (217) 626-1321*

or contact us by email.

*The office email is —
FarmingdalePCoffice@yahoo.com*



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY & WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Ordinary Time 27

October 4, 2020—10:00am

"O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

— Psalm 34:8

Gathering Around God's Word

Introit #647 (GtG)

"Give Thanks"

— LaSalle College Mass Choir

Call to Worship

Psalm 25:1-7

Prayer of Adoration & Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Proclaiming God's Word

Time with Children

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Matthew 21:33-46 (CEB)

Parable of the tenant farmers

³³ "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a fence around it, dug a winepress in it, and built a tower. Then he rented it to tenant farmers and took a trip. ³⁴ When it was time for harvest, he sent his servants to the tenant farmers to collect his fruit. ³⁵ But the tenant farmers grabbed his servants. They beat some of them, and some of them they killed. Some of them they stoned to death.

³⁶ "Again he sent other servants, more than the first group. They treated them in the same way. ³⁷ Finally he sent his son to them. 'They will respect my son,' he said.

³⁸ "But when the tenant farmers saw the son, they said to each other, 'This is the heir. Come on, let's kill him and we'll have his inheritance.' ³⁹ They grabbed him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

⁴⁰ "When the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenant farmers?"

⁴¹ They said, "He will totally destroy those wicked farmers and rent the vineyard to other tenant farmers who will give him the fruit when it's ready."

⁴² Jesus said to them, "Haven't you ever read in the scriptures, The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. The Lord has done this, and it's amazing in our eyes?" ⁴³ Therefore, I tell you that God's kingdom will be taken away from you and will be given to a people who produce its fruit. ⁴⁴ Whoever falls on this stone will be crushed. And the stone will crush the person it falls on."

⁴⁵ Now when the chief priests and the Pharisees heard the parable, they knew Jesus was talking about them. ⁴⁶ They were trying to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, who thought he was a prophet.

Meditation

"Good To Be With the Lord"

Rev. Lonna Chang-Ren Lee

Responding to God's Word

Hymn #401 (GtG)

"Gather Us In"

— Aryssa Leigh Burrs, mezzo-soprano

Announcements

Joy & Concerns

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer

Communion

Prayers of the People

Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Sent Out With God's Word

Charge & Benediction & Peace of Christ

Extroit

"An Irish Blessing"

— Philippine Madrigal Singers



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