



The Carbondale Presbyterian

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Sunday Worship - 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Fellowship - 10:30 a.m.
Faith Dialogues - 11:00 a.m.
(Dates TBA.)

LGBTQ Fest - Sept. 30 - Oct. 2

Ist Sunday Collection - Oct. 2

LGBTQIA - Affirming
Worship - Oct. 2

Session - Oct. 11

Laundry Day - Oct. 12

Dinner Group - Oct. 20

Pizza & Movie - Oct. 24

The Maine Moose Misdemeanor
Oct. 30

Church Office Hours

Monday through Thurs-
day 9:00-11:30 a.m. and
12:30-4:00 p.m.

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LGBTQ FEST

September 30 - October 2

Notes from Kerry for October 2022

Tragedy Tomorrow, Comedy Tonight

Well, the time is almost upon us. The much-awaited opening of *Intrepid Inspector Ilse of Interpol and the Maine Moose Misdemeanor* takes place at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, October 30 in Fellowship Hall. Admission is by donation only, there are no reservations. (Actually, I have *plenty* of reservations - just not about admission.) Plan to get there early (the doors will open at 6 p.m.) since seating is limited.

All the proceeds of this year's musical murder moosetery go to supporting the Carbondale Warming Center and the Carbondale Laundry Project. Not only can you make donations at the door, but we are also offering luscious baked goods that can be purchased via silent auction. Thanks to Cindy and Gerry Buys, you can buy raffle tickets for an entire week at their cabin in the woods of Maine. Each ticket will be \$20 (or 3 tickets for \$50). A maximum of 100 tickets will be sold.

The set for the show also happens to be a cabin in the woods of Maine (what a coincidence). The action takes place on Halloween night. The cabin belongs to a New York couple: Art Pryce and Max Profit. They are art dealers and have sordid pasts, of course. A terrible storm blows in and they are visited by four exotic strangers: Imma Pushinoff, Duffy McPuffinmuffin, and the sisters Lilly and Fanny Bunnsworthy. All of them are suspicious suspects in their own right. Then, to really mix things up, the Grim Reaper arrives to announce that mayhem is about to ensue and that he will be wreaking vengeance anon.

The thing that has brought all of these questionable characters together is the magnificent Marble Moose Monument of Caribou Cove. There are rumors a plenty that the monument is filled with priceless treasure or even highly classified state secrets. Everyone wants to steal the massive moose and gain the treasure for themselves. None of them would give a second thought about killing anyone who stands in their way.

But there are heroes to cheer for, too. You'll be thrilled to meet the ruggedly handsome Lt. Sargent of the Mounties, for instance. Of course, our usual dynamic duo of crime-solving: Inspector Ilse of Interpol and her semi-reliable assistant, Dr. Bob, Medical Examiner are on the case.

The question is: will Inspector Ilse be able to stop the Grim Reaper from stealing the Marble Moose Monument and killing our entire cast before the show ends? To be perfectly frank, it doesn't seem likely.

We'll also meet The Masked Captain, the cabin's not-so-friendly ghost, along with other assorted characters like Scooter the bus driver, Pippy the Stage Manager, and, of course, The Narrator (who valiantly struggles to actually keep the plot progressing).

Our cast features Carolyn Hooker, John Hooker, Rob Jensen, Melissa Jensen, Beth Forsberg, Lance Forsberg, Al Bennett, Kitty Trescott, Elizabeth Hamilton, Kathy Manfredi, Tracie Mick, Dori Jefferson, Sam Foskey, and myself.

Our set crew includes Deb Burris, Ro Quick, and Bill Martens. Pat Manfredi is running sound. Rosemary Gibbs is running lights. Mission Ministry is officially the producer of the production.

The raffle tickets will go on sale early in October. The cabin is an Air B and B retreat, so Cindy Buys will help you set up your reservation if you win. Beverages will be served at intermission, but the baked goods are available through auction only. The popcorn, however, is free.

The Maine Moose Misdemeanor should be an awesome and amazing experience! Cancel all other plans you have and mark your calendars. I, for one, can't wait. (Now, I need to go and learn my lines...)

Peace,

Kerry

First Presbyterian Church of Carbondale
presents

Intrepid Inspector Iise of Interpol
and
The Maine Moose Misdemeanor

A Musical Murder Moosetery Melodrama

Sunday, October 30
at 6:30pm
Fellowship Hall - FPC
310 S. University St.

Donations at the Door

No Ticket Reservations

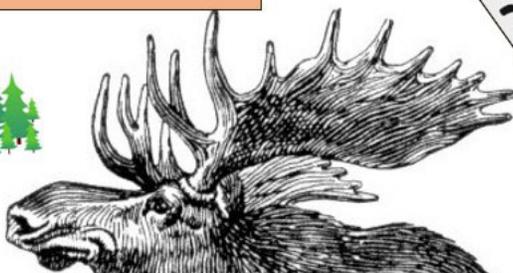
Proceeds support the
Carbondale Warming
Center and the Carbondale
Laundry Project!

Call 618 549-2148 for info

Enter the Raffle for a One-week
Stay at an Airbnb Cabin in Maine!

Silent Auction for Yummy Desserts!

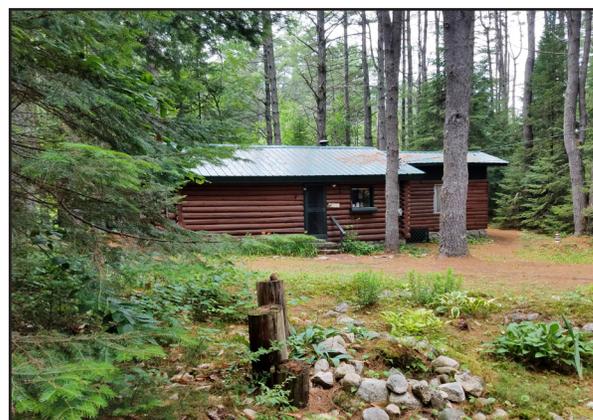
Guess the Malevolent Mastermind and
win a Prize!



Murder Moosetery Melodrama October 30

Calling all bakers - once again, we will have a dessert auction as part of the fundraising activities for the *Maine Moose Misdemeanor* Murder Moosetery show October 30. Proceeds will benefit the Carbondale Warming Center and our own Carbondale Laundry Project. If you are willing to donate a dessert, please send an email to Cindy Buys.

Also to be auctioned at the event is a week-long stay at the Buys' "Charming Log Cabin on Crooked River in Maine." To see full details about the cabin, go to Airbnb here: to include: https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/37657130?adults=2&check_in=2023-06-05&check_out=2023-06-09&federated_search_id=5933832a-ad77-4862-aa9e-4ac2de448d69&source_impression_id=p3_1663517663_PibgTOGm%2FVPzMCmx



Only 100 tickets will be sold so your chances of winning are high. Tickets are \$20 each or 3 for \$50. Some restrictions apply. Contact Cindy Buys with questions or for more details.

Faith Development

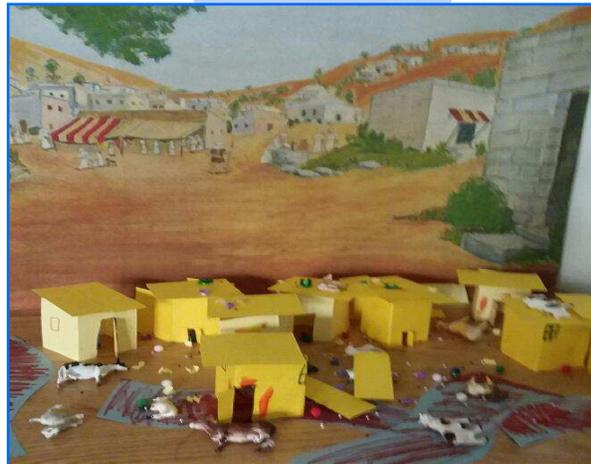


Family of Chickens \$25

Eggs for food, feathers for pillows, fertilizer for crops. By giving a family of chickens, you can help improve the food security and livelihoods of farmers and families around the world.

The offering project for the church school class is to fund a flock of chicks from the Presbyterian Giving Catalog. Each flock costs \$25 and is sent wherever in the world people need food they can depend on. We thought that it would take a while for the nickels, dimes and quarters to add up to \$25. But, through the generosity of adults coming by to meet the children and helpers, \$32.75 has been collected. We have enough for a flock of chicks and a start on a second flock.

Sunday morning Christian education for children has focused on Moses. In just three Sundays in September, the children have used puppets to learn about Baby Moses in the river, have created a pop-up picture of Moses and the burning bush, and have helped deliver a version of the 10 plagues on an Egyptian city, while Moses and Aaron pleaded with the Pharaoh to **LET THE PEOPLE GO.**



Faith Dialogues - The absence of leaders has led to the postponement of Faith Dialogues until October 9. The topic that Sunday will be "Feeling US History" by Amy Frykholm. The article may be accessed at <https://www.christiancentury.org/article/features/feeling-us-history>. Print copies will be available from the usher. We need some volunteers to serve as leaders for an occasional session. We plan to meet only twice a month, and we have at least two leaders already so the burden will not be great.



Photo by Ro Quick

Recently a rosebud was delivered to celebrate the birth of Finnan Baird De Jong--great-grandson of Dede Ittner, shown here in front of a painting of her mother Dorothy Alice. Congratulations, Dede.

MISSION Pentecost Offering

Update: First Presbyterian Sponsor Circle for Afghan Newcomers

Both our Afghan children have started school and are doing very well. Mom will soon begin English classes at John A. Logan College. It was a joy to take the family to the Murphysboro Apple Festival for some local culture and fun.

Last spring, our congregation gave generously for the Pentecost Offering. The remaining portion of the offering that stays with our local community will be donated to the Gumdrops program, which provides food for children after school and on weekends.

The Carbondale Laundry Project

There was another successful **Free Laundry Day** September 14. Between 25-30 people attended and 60-70 loads of wash were completed. Special thanks to Ro Quick for coordinating this month's Free Laundry Day and to all the volunteers who make it possible. The Free Laundry Day is one of our most important missions to help our community by making our presence known and demonstrating our faith through service. The next Free Laundry Day will be Wednesday, October. 12. New volunteers and donations are always encouraged.

First Sunday Collections

Our focus for First Sunday collections in October will continue to be alleviating food insecurity. Donations will be taken to the Good Samaritan Food Pantry and the Carbondale Warming Center. In addition, we will continue to collect items for the Feed My Sheep at Bethel AME, Presbyterian Daycare and Preschool, the Diaper Bank, and the Laundry Project. The list of needed items is on the church website. First Sunday is October 2.

Please note that due to the receipt of generous donations, the Women's Center is not currently accepting donations of personal hygiene items, toys, or clothes. For the time being, please take these items to other populations in need, such as the persons staying at the Carbondale Warming Center.

Pizza & a Movie Night

Resuming in October, mark your calendar for Monday, October 24. We will have pizza, salad, fruit, dessert, and drinks at 6 p.m. in the lounge. The movie for October will be another great musical oldie, **GUYS AND DOLLS**, starring Frank Sinatra, Marlon Brando, Vivian Blaine, and Jean Simmons. Let Kitty Trescott know you plan to attend, so we know how many places to set. Family and friends, of course are always welcome. Kitty's contact is phone/text: 618-203-1807, or email: trescott@midwest.net.



The Dinner Group

Join us Thursday, October 20, 5:30 p.m. at the Fork and Vine Restaurant, 8595 US-51 in Cobden (formerly Rustle Hill Winery). Please email Sharon Wittke at sharonwittke@gmail.com if you plan to attend.



Photo by Chanmi Jeong

We welcome the choir's return and extend a special welcome to our paid section leaders Mitchell Brandon, Leioni Bickett, Deanna and Nyghél Byrd, Caden Cole, Portia Goodin, Michael Lynd and Olivia Rogers. Also, the choir appreciates Josh Stierley's donation of time and talent providing piano choir accompaniment in Kathy Manfredi's absence. Rehearsal is at 8:30 a.m. on Sundays the choir is performing; for these dates or more information, please reach out to Carlyn Zimmermann, Choir Director.



Checking out the cemetery coming into town this morning, Beth, I saw the front needed work. With my gas-powered mower gone to heaven but with a new battery-powered weed wacker, I decided to come back later--in the afternoon on the way home. And then, what do I find? Everything practically mowed & DONE. Just some weed wacking in back needed. As I was doing so, Bingo. I un-grass young Mr. Box Turtle. Lord, did I say a prayer of thanks for doing so with the nylon tips of the weed wacker, not a mower's sharp steel blade. Over the years, once here at Snider Hill with a big heavy mower & running over a box turtle, I turned it into instant ground turtle burger! That and killing a 3 yr. old youngster 2 months ago at another property is what prompted the purchase of this non-lethal alternative.

The box turtles love that old back section of the cemetery. It's their territory.

Peace, I go to bed tonight both thankful & happy.

Charlie Howe



Photo by Bob Luebbers

SNIDER HILL MINIONS



LGBTQIA+-Affirming Worship
Sunday, October 2, 2022 9:30 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church
310 South University Avenue, Carbondale

Celebrating World Communion Sunday,
followed by a time of coffee fellowship.

Or worship with us online via Zoom
Link at www.firstprescdale.org.

Hosted by:

Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship
Church of the Good Shepherd (UCC)
First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
First Presbyterian Church of Carbondale



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS LGBTQ FEST
SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 2

The weekend's events include the Ballroom Extravaganza Friday evening in the SIU Student Center, and a Saturday afternoon full of food, music and vendors at Veteran Memorial Plaza in downtown Carbondale. Sunday, October 2 during morning worship, faith leaders from the Carbondale Unitarian Fellowship, Church of the Good Shepherd and First Christian Church will join Pastor Kerry in welcoming and affirming our LGBTQIA+ siblings and celebrating World Communion Sunday. Please join us and consider inviting a neighbor, coworker or friend.





4 - Lucas Daly
6 - Jill O'Donoghue
12 - David Gilbert
15 - Kelly Donnigan
18 - Beth Forsberg
24 - Jay Brooks
27 - Carlyn Zimmermann
31 - Elizabeth Hamilton

PRESCHOOL



Our first month of preschool has been great. All the children are adjusting so well to their new classes, teachers and routines. A special thank you to everyone who supported our Fall Mum Sale. We sold over 90 mums with a profit of over \$700 for our preschool. Stay tuned for our next fundraiser. At the end of this month we will be partnering with Show Me Dough Fundraising and taking orders for their tasty frozen treats such as butter braids, cookie dough and pizzas October 17-November 4 with delivery just in time for the holidays. We will have an order form out in the Narthex and an online ordering option as well.

In October, we will be learning about the season changing to fall, pumpkins, fire safety and dinosaurs. We have a special field trip planned to visit Bandy's Pumpkin Patch Monday, October 3. The pumpkin patch provides the students a fun-filled opportunity of hands on learning about pumpkins and where they grow. The kids love playing in the Play Barn with big slides, giant tubs of corn to dig in and a huge trampoline for bouncing. We also enjoy a hay ride through the pumpkin patch and finish with pumpkin picking for the kids to take home. The Carbondale Fire Department will be bringing out a firetruck for us to learn about their job and explore all the interesting features and tools of their firetruck during Fire Safety Week. We hope everyone has a wonderful October.



Photos furnished by Preschool

Bon jour from the Daycare. The kiddos have been hard at work tending to the garden and enjoying the food that they have grown. We have been sharing with our families and staff as well. If anyone would like a few tomatoes or peppers, just let us know. We'd love to share.

This month we will study apples, autumn, leaves, and harvest activities. This is such an amazing time of year, full of so many beautiful sights, colors, and smells. We will be collecting leaves, enjoying apples, and discussing the season.

We continue to seek qualified individuals to join our team. All applicants are welcome to apply. Please have them call (618) 529-1551 or email a resume and transcripts to: pcdcd daycare@firstprescdale.org. Thank you in advance for your help

DAYCARE



Photo furnished by Daycare

Green Guardian focus on **RECYCLING PLASTIC**

The quick takeaway: all plastic is recyclable, but avoid purchasing items in #5 plastics if at all possible. These plastics are of little value to recyclers and although Southern Recycling does not send these to a landfill, it is very likely that most #5 plastics will end up there.

City of Carbondale: Plastic recyclables

The City of Carbondale recycling program accepts all plastics. They do accept #5 plastics but as mentioned, there is little use for these. **Plastics #1 and #2 in all forms are accepted** (not just bottles).

The Refuse & Recycling supervisor at the City confirms that they do accept all #5 plastics and all recyclables are delivered to Southern Recycling on Chestnut Street.

Southern Recycling policy on #5 plastics

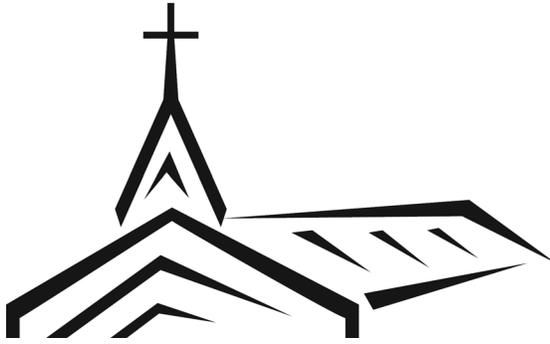
As a special arrangement with the City of Carbondale, Southern Recycling accepts #5 plastics obtained from the city's recycle trucks. These #5 plastics go into what Southern Recycling called the 'mixed plastics' category. Although they do not go into the landfill, they are of limited use to recyclers which is why **Southern does not accept them** from the general public.

Drop-off plastic recyclables

The city drop-off bins are located at 700 S Oakland Av (University Baptist Church parking lot), 610 E College St (College near Wall) and 851 E Grand Av (G & R Rentals). They do not accept #5 plastics (only #1 and #2 plastics).

The close county drop-off bin is off Ill RT 13 & Country Club Rd on Health Dept Rd (Jackson County Health Dept). They do not accept #5 plastics (only #1 and #2).

One of the issues for recyclers, not just Southern, is the high cost of separating recyclable plastics from lower value and non-recyclable plastics. Plastics are categorized according to their chemical and melting point which is essential to produce usable plastic for reuse. Most sorting machines in use today are not capable of automatically sorting out each different type of plastic, thus requiring time-intensive manual sorting. This results in high labor costs for recyclers, making it extremely likely that the lower value plastics (including 4-7) will end up in landfills



Session Synopsis

for September 13, 2022

As always, we began the meeting with prayer and a short devotional. We then did some looking into the short-range future and established priorities for 2023-2025. Some of those priorities included:

- Continue to recognize opportunities and needs in the community and respond to them
- Continue to strengthen our “internal church community” and build a sense of church family
- Develop a system of addressing challenging issues periodically as opposed to random intervals (in a sense, be more proactive and less reactive)
- Explore ways to grow church membership
- Work towards greater involvement and integration of folks watching on Zoom into our Sunday worship services
- Initiate more conversations about planned giving and bequests

In addition, I mentioned that I am planning to use some of my time for the next three years to:

- Assist you in the search and call for your next pastor. Just process, no input on possible candidates. This will happen in 2025.
- Continue to work on improving the relationships between the church, the Daycare program, and the Preschool program.
- Add more creativity and energy to worship
- Move the congregation to a more definitive decision about the sanctuary organ

We then moved on to discussing another facet of our Covid-19 protocols: what to do when someone reports to the church office that they have tested positive. We decided that we will encourage such folks to communicate directly with people they were in close contact with. As a back up the church office would communicate with possible close contacts but not reveal who the Covid-positive persons are.

Minutes and financial reports were examined and discussed. We are expecting an increase in the Facilities budget for 2023. We have had several expensive repairs to the building this year, ranging from roofs to HVAC units.

We discussed the need to encourage our members to direct folks who ask for financial help to contact Barb Stewart in the church office on Mondays-Thursdays. I sent out a reminder to the congregation about this via FirstAlerts.

The loose offering for the LGBTQIA+ Affirming Service on October 2 will go to support the work of Rainbow Café here in Carbondale.

There will be a keypad installed on the copper door near the church's main entrance for use by staff and families of the Daycare and Preschool programs. If you have a key for that door, it should still work.

That's pretty much it. We closed with prayer. In October we're hoping to meet in person!

Kerry



Contributions to First Presbyterian Church of Carbondale are tax deductible under 501(c)(3) guidelines (consult your tax professional). Donate on Sunday mornings, by direct deposit or mail, by clicking the "Give Now" button at www.firstprescdale.org or by scanning this QR code with your smartphone camera.

Financial Report	August 2022	67% of the year completed		
Line	Income	Budget		
Pledges	\$ 175,013.50	\$ 228,824.00		76%
Nonpledge Offerings	\$ 11,048.10	\$ 16,000.00		69%
Per Capita	\$ 2,113.00	\$ 2,500.00		85%
Trans. From Investments	\$ -	\$ 15,111.41		0%
Miscellaneous	\$ 11,934.28	\$ 17,230.00		69%
Totals	\$ 200,108.88	\$ 279,665.41		72%
Line	Expenditures	Budget		
Mission	\$ 6,894.46	\$ 13,520.00		51%
Pastoral Ministry	\$ 53,070.95	\$ 83,936.86		63%
Staff	\$ 44,705.77	\$ 82,969.55		54%
Christian Ed.	\$ 838.82	\$ 3,800.00		22%
Worship & Music	\$ 1,016.72	\$ 3,875.00		26%
Comm/Administration	\$ 12,182.51	\$ 20,564.00		59%
Property/Capital	\$ 51,945.61	\$ 69,100.00		75%
Christian Nurture	\$ 303.11	\$ 1,900.00		16%
Total	\$ 170,957.95	\$ 279,665.41		61%
Revenues over Expenses	\$ 29,150.93			

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Avoid ungodly, umbilical actions

This appeared in some other church publication, not one of ours.



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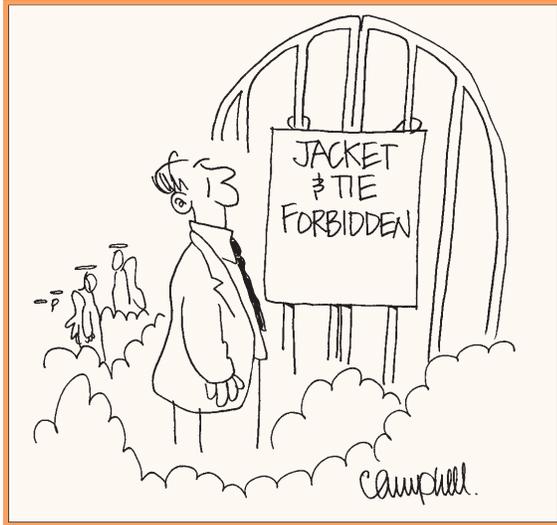
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 **OCTOBER** 2022



OCTOBER 1952: Charles E.F. Howe came. His tenure with our church lasted thirteen years. Land for a Church camp and Touch of Nature, was purchased.