

Weekly

Update

Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church November 2, 2022

PASTOR NANCY NOTES AND NEWS



Bryan and Nancy Dumford - we will be joining you this Sunday!

Hello FPC Community,

I arrived this morning, 10 AM, as leaves were falling and a single horse-drawn buggy passed by me on Fredericksburg Road. It's likely that my "new" eyes are taking note of all the things that fade into the background for you long-timers. I'm thrilled to be here! It's Tuesday, November 1 - All Saints Day.

In modern times the term "saint" is rarely used, reserved for missionaries, martyrs, the deceased, and super-star Christians. In reality, that is our position everyday as believers belonging to Christ. In Christ, we have been saved, set-apart, and made evermore holy on a winding path to greater Christlikeness. Take heart, the Holy Spirit helps us and our "saint status" is secure. We cannot by our goodness earn more grace and we cannot in our weakness lose the grace by which we stand. *So, hello saints, at FPC!*

Bryan and I will join you this Sunday and plan to move into the FPC manse on Saturday, November 12. I will typically be here Saturday through Wednesday, and available to adjust days as needed. Bryan works at JPMorgan Chase in Columbus and will be able to spend several nights here each week. This is our second "out-of-town" call, so we know this routine.

We have been married for 30 years. We have three grown kids, two of which are newly-married, and one will be soon. I was not expecting to become a pastor. I started out as a high school math teacher, stay-at-home mom, children's ministry director, then Christian school administrator. When I began studying at Ashland Theological Seminary, I had no illusion that I would finish, I was just trying to get God to stop "nudging" me. Somewhere between the beginning and the ending (8 years in all) I emerged as a pastor. Lucky for you, I'm no longer a first-year pastor. Shout out to Carlisle Community Church for surviving that!

All in all, I anticipate good days ahead. Our God is so faithful, he has not forsaken or forgotten any one of us! Let me end with the verse that got me through those early years of seminary... *The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it (1 Thes. 5:24).*

With Great Grace,
Nancy

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
Nov. 2 - Ryan Schlegel
Nov. 2 - Hilary Schlegel



Nov. 5 - Jesse & Ea Kidd

SECOND HOUR SCHEDULE

11/6

ABF - Fellowship Hall
Young adults - Classroom 3

11/13

ABF - Fellowship Hall
Young adults - Classroom 3

11/20

ABF - Fellowship Hall
Young adults - Classroom 3

11/27

Decorate the church for Christmas
No classes

12/4

ABF - Fellowship Hall
Young adults - Classroom 3

A/V WORKERS NEEDED

We are looking for anyone in grade 6 through age 99 interested in assisting with the Audio and/or video during church services. A/V skills are not required. We can use between 2-3 people per week to run the services. You do not have to train for all roles and we can find a role that suits your comfort level. We are hoping to have enough volunteers that you can volunteer as often as every week, or as little as 1 time a month. If this sounds interesting to you and you like sitting in tall chairs, then think about joining the A/V team. We will be having a training on Tuesday, Nov 22nd at 7:00 that will only last 1 hour. You can also come back and sit in the sound booth during a service to see what it is all about. If you are interested, let Mike or Derek know (we are the guys in the back if you need to find us)."



PRAYER

Please keep these people/situations in your prayers.

Note: The prayer needs listed in **BOLD** are new to the list.

Praises

- **Sean Allen going home from the hospital**
- **Don & Joyce Rhamy's 65th wedding anniversary**

Military Service:

- Rusty King deploying in November to Middle East
- Shannah Swinehart currently in Texas
- Isaiah Styer currently in North Carolina
- Jeff & Veronica's nephew in National Guard

Prayer Needs

- **O Huddle - 58 students in need of mentors**
- **Pastor Kurt from Ripley Church - church growth**
- **New Life at Calvary Church - unity**
- Pat Thomson's daughter in Florida with Red Cross
- Unspoken
- Hailey Schlegel in Boston
- Session, Trustees & the PNC
- The Ukraine & Danny

Health Concerns:

- **Tonya Wade - kidney transplant - blood work concerns**
- **MCA - 39 chiropractic issues**
- **Carol Miller - knee replacement**
- **Kaylee's hockey team - injuries**
- **Pastor Drew from College Hills ECO family on hospice**
- Leslie - medical tests
- Melinda Moffitt's father - inpatient therapy
- Bev Wines - Hospice care
- Veronica's mom - lost strength/mobility. More PT
- Shirley Swinehart - healing
- Tanya Chupp - continued healing
- Lillian Duncan - non cancerous brain tumors
- Susie Parrot - inoperable brain tumor
- George & Jane Ann Heilman

Battling Cancer

- **Leslie Carr**
- Herb Martin - stage 4 lung cancer
- Delores Schlegel's sister Rose's finance
- Mike Harter
- Art Wetmore
- Chris - brain tumor
- Renee Wood

Condolences

- **Student from Minerva Cross Country Team passed away following a race.**

FROM YOUR SESSION

Session wants the congregation to be informed about what they are doing, and would be greatly appreciative if you would join them in praying for these things.

- Pray for the Pastor Nominating Committee.
- Pray for the Youth programs.
- Pray for all those in church leadership roles.
- Pray for all the church as we wait in patient anticipation to meet the person God has chosen to be our next pastor!

If you have questions, concerns, or anything to share with the church, contact one of the elders.

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Church Office Hours

Monday thru Friday 9:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.



From The Pastor Nominating Committee

To our church family,

We as a PNC would first like to thank the congregation for the continued prayers and support. We as a team meet bi-weekly but have been meeting more frequently as we are actively interviewing and exploring our candidates. We are blessed to currently have multiple candidates seeking to be our next Lead Pastor. Please continue to pray for our stamina and endurance through this process. It has proved to be a journey that has challenged each of our PNC members, stretching and molding us along the way. We are seeking wisdom and actively working on digging deep into the word, doctrines and ECO policies as we move forward. Through intentional fasting and prayer, we are practicing discernment as we engage with each candidate and contemplate the next season of our church and the best candidate to usher into that accordingly.

We have received 5 applications. All 5 candidates were offered our first round of interviews that we did through a electronic questionnaire filled with deeper questions that helped us get to know each of them better. Three candidates stood out to us and we decided to pursue each with interviews. Each coming from drastically different life seasons and geographic locations. We are still in the midst of that process; actively interviewing them, prayerfully considering each one individually. Each offer immense gifts that our congregation would no doubt benefit from. A blessing for sure to have many wonderful candidates to chose from.

We thank you for putting your confidence and trust in the PNC to carry out this task. We will continue to keep everyone updated with mass announcements such as this, as new developments arise.

Members of the PNC Team are: Tanya Chupp, Paul Miller, Melinda Moffitt, Earl Rhamy, Delores Schlegel, & Matt Smith.