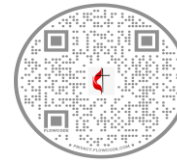
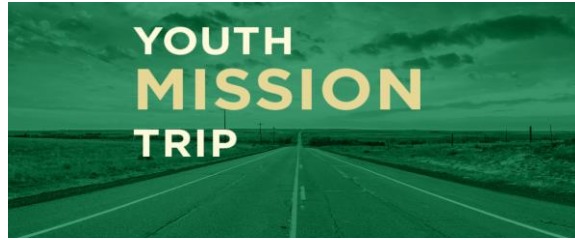


# Announcements

MAY 21, 2023



## Second Quarter Mission Giving:



Total given for the ministry of our church on May 14<sup>th</sup> was **\$7,277.00**

The current Family Life Center balance for this month: **\$392,375.00**



“Judging others makes us blind, whereas love is illuminating. By judging others we blind ourselves to our own evil and to the grace which others are just as entitled to as we are.”  
-Dietrich Bonhoeffer  
The Cost of Discipleship



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*Belonging to the Family*

*Believing the Good News*

*Becoming like Jesus*

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### First Time Guest?

Stop by the visitors table to get a brochure and complete a Welcome Form. So nice to have you join our First Church Family today!

## Mark your calendars!



Vacation Bible School will be  
July 10<sup>th</sup> – July 14<sup>th</sup>  
5:30pm – 8:00pm



## GREETERS MINISTRY

Needed for 10:30am Worship Service  
Sign up at the Welcome Table  
in the Narthex



**SUNDAY, 5.21**

*Soup Kitchen Donations*

9:00am Worship Service, FLC  
9:15am Sunday School (K-5<sup>th</sup>), R5 & 6  
10:00am Soup Kitchen Prep  
10:15am Jr & Sr High Sunday School, TH  
10:30am Worship Service, Sanctuary  
*Greeters: Judy Heale & Vicki Gernert*  
6:00pm Youth Group, TH

**MONDAY, 5.22**

6:45pm NA Meeting, TH  
7:00pm Cub Scouts, FLC

**TUESDAY, 5.23**

10:00am Knitters, TH  
3:00pm Soup Kitchen, FLC  
6:00pm Choir Practice, CR  
7:00pm Praise Team, FLC  
8:15pm NA Meeting, TH

**WEDNESDAY 5.24**

2:00pm Christian Healing Group, R7  
3:00pm **No** Quilters, TH  
7:00pm SPRC Meeting, RR

**FRIDAY 5.26**

6:00-8:00pm College Group, RR

**FLC:** Family Life Center, **TH:** Thompson Hall,  
**R7:** Room 7, **R4:** Room 4,  
**R5-6:** Room 5 & 6, **S:** Sanctuary, **CR:** Choir room,  
**WR:** Whilden Room, **RR:** Reeves Room



*The flowers on the  
Communion Table  
in the Sanctuary are  
given in praise and  
thanks for all your  
prayers!  
by Nancy Kantra*



Michael A'Hearn 21  
Anthony Sernotti 24  
Kris Olsen 24  
Carol Lee Schipmann 26  
Joyce Vito 27



Jim & Bonnie Citta 25



**SERVES THIS TUESDAY, MAY 23rd**  
3:00PM – 4:30PM in the  
Family Life Center  
All Are Welcome!



**Christian Intentional Prayer for  
Healing (IPH) Group**

*Our next meeting will be*  
**THIS Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>**  
from 2:00-3:00pm in Room 7

Questions  
*Contact:* Tom Ruck (732)320-5555  
*ruck\_st@yahoo.com*



**PENTECOST**  
is **Next Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Plan to wear RED**  
**as we celebrate the birthday**  
**of the Christian Church!**  
(Please read Acts 2:1-21)

**Adding A New Church!**

Recently, our District Superintendent,  
Rev. Ronell Howard,  
informed Pastor Ed  
that he will become the  
Pastor-in-Charge at  
Cedar Grove UMC (CG) beginning  
July 1<sup>st</sup>. Our GNJ Conference will  
provide pulpit supply to CG & Pastor Ed  
will remain at First Church  
for both worship services.

Please pray for CG and Pastor Ed during  
this transition.

Thank you.



Helen Stark, Allison Farrell,  
Joyce Vito, Barbara Dawson,  
Barbara Ross, Joshua Smith,  
Janet Hirshblond, Michael Martin,  
The Capuano Family,  
Danielle Thompson, Beth Brierley,  
Walt Peters & family,  
David & Dianna Correll,  
Jacque Citta, Dorothy Vaughn,  
Ruth Faber, and Donna Varsanyi



The Sisters in Christ  
would like to thank  
Dave and Denise Seiders  
for all of their help in planting  
the donated flowers  
around our church property!  
It is very much appreciated!

**Pictorial Directory**

If you did not have a picture taken,  
please sign up on Sundays or online

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Church Code: nj166

Password: Photos

**Make up day is June 17<sup>th</sup> (11-6pm)**