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Session News for the Pews





For Word-Share-Prayer: Romans 12: 10-16

Love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.



No Parking at Quantum Signal

Our parking agreement has ended; please use neighborhood streets and city lots.



From The Designated Pastor Nominating Committee

The DPNC met weekly in September to write the Ministry Information Form. Once completed, this summary of the church and its vision and mission will be approved by Session and the Committee on Ministry of the Presbytery of Detroit. It will then be listed in the Church Leadership Connection, a national data base of prospective candidates. We will keep you apprised of each stage of this search. We trust with certainty that God is at work in this process and ask that you join with us in prayer for discerning hearts and minds.

Pulpit Supply Schedule

October 17 - CASS Mission Team

October 24 - Rev. Christine Barnes

October 31 - Rev. Christine Christopherson

November 7 - Rev. Dr. Budge Gere (Communion)

November 14 - Rev. Dr. Jennifer Rike

If you have questions, go to salinepres.org and click the "ask Session" button.



From the Finance Committee



While giving remains down, the church continues to operate efficiently through August 31, 2021 and has a budget surplus of \$18K. The committee is in the process of engaging in a routine outside audit of its books, which will be available to all once it is completed.

September Session Notes These notes have been edited. The original was emailed 9/29/2021.

Session met at the church Tuesday evening, September 21, 2021; moderator Rev. Budge Gere opened the meeting with prayer. Arleta Greer presented Word-Share-Prayer based on Romans 12:10-16.

Session will continue to mirror the Washtenaw County Health Department that everyone (including fully vaccinated individuals) is recommended to wear a mask in public indoor settings to help prevent the spread of COVID-19, especially the Delta Variant and to protect others. This policy will be in effect for memorial and/or funeral services held at Saline First Presbyterian Church.

Nancy Ryan (Worship) reported on Pulpit Supply (see article page 1).

The Mission Committee is sponsoring a mission trip to Cass Community Social Services Center the week of October 4-9. There will be a Commissioning of the Mission trip members during the Worship Service.

Designated Pastor Nominating Committee Chairperson, Nancy Ryan, reported the Committee met with Rev. Neeta Nichols, Detroit Presbytery Committee on Ministry, on 8/29/21 (see article page 1).

Treasurer's Report - YTD Income - \$142K; YTD Expense \$(124K); YTD Net \$18K. YTD Giving Statements will be sent out in October 2021.

Property Committee reports This Old Church volunteers repaired the dormer roof on the Hall St. property. Next Meeting October 19, 2021.

Our Vision

First Presbyterian Church of Saline will be a Church that seeks to make God's story our story by joyfully growing in faith and serving in love.

