

Welcome Pastor Kimberly Secrist Ashby



Melissa, Rev. Kimberly, and Megan

Following worship on August 7th, Rev. Kimberly Secrist Ashby was affirmed as our Designated Pastor by a unanimous vote of the congregation.

Preaching from scripture texts in Genesis, Hebrews, and Luke, Rev. Secrist Ashby invited us on a journey of new beginnings and challenged us to practice gratitude: giving thanks for the joys and the hardships that have helped us grow, and seeking out the places where God is guiding us in the pathway ahead.

Rev. Secrist Ashby will begin at First Pres on September 27th. In the interim, Rev. Renee Roederer will lead worship through September 18th, and Rev. Dr. Budge Gere will lead on September 25th.

Please pray for Rev. Secrist Ashby as she finishes her interim work at Mt. Hebron and makes the move from Maryland; for Kimberly's daughter Megan as she begins at the University of Massachusetts, and youngest daughter Melissa, as she begins her 8th-grade year at Saline Middle School.

Gifts of Service

Habitat for Humanity Work Day Saturday, September 24, 2022
Contact Bill Armstrong or the church office for more information.

Habitat for Humanity is a partnership, not a giveaway program—Habitat's homeowner families buy the houses that Habitat builds and renovates. Habitat homeowners also invest hundreds of hours of their own labor working alongside volunteers. As a result, Habitat for Humanity houses are affordable to low-income families around the world.

What is it like to volunteer? Tasks may include various stages of renovation or building, ranging from demolition to installing cabinets and doors. All tools, safety equipment, and an experienced site supervisor are provided.



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Collecting Items for Hope Clinic Through August 21

Hope Clinic is in need of everything from food, to paper goods, to personal hygiene items. You may drop off items around Sunday Worship or when the building is open: Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9am-3pm. A "shopping list" is available beside this article.



Hope Clinic Donation Drive August 7-21

Donation Tubs in Fellowship Hall

Unexpired canned goods
(soup, vegetables, fruit, meat)

Dry goods
(cereal, pasta, baking mixes, snacks)

Condiments
(salad dressing, nut butter, spices, sauces)

Non-food groceries (dish soap, hygiene products, laundry detergent, and paper goods)

Please donate the same quality you would purchase for your own family.



Potluck Picnic September 18 at MillPond Park, 565 W. Bennett St.



Deacons and Elders

The terms of the following elders and deacons are now concluding: Elders John Coffey, Arleta Greer, Kurt Leuthauser and Bill Woehrle; Deacons Mary Lou Feight and Nancy Heywood.

The congregation wishes to thank them all for their service to the church, especially given the challenges of the time-period they served.

Newly elected Elders are Scott Janeczek, Mike Lucas, and Carrie Pellerin. Linda Kiser is a newly elected Deacon. There remain two open spots for Elder and one Deacon.

Note from Facilities

The Facilities Task Force continues to be in communication with all parties concerning potential changes regarding Hall Street and adjoining properties. We will inform the congregation if/when any plans are formulated.

Questions? Go to salinepres.org and click on the "Ask Session" button or call the church office.

Word Share Prayer I Corinthians 12: 4-7

There are a variety of gifts,
but it is the same Spirit who gives them.
There are different ways of serving God,
but it is the same Lord who is served.
God works through each person in a unique way,
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.
To each is given a gift of the Spirit
to be used for the common good.

A question for each member of Saline First Presbyterian Church to ask themselves:

--At this time in my life and in the life of the church, what specific gift might I use for the church's common good?