



Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church

September 2022

# THE OLIVE BRANCH



## September Events

- 5 Labor Day: Office closed.
- 6 6:30pm Deacons Mtg
- 8 6:30pm Boy Scout Cmte Mtg
- 15 Olive Branch Deadline
- 18 11:00am Session Meeting
- 24 11:00am Grocery Giveaway

## Weekly

- Sun 9:30am Worship in-person & via Zoom
  - Mon 6:30pm Boy Scouts
  - Tue 8:00pm AA
  - Wed 7:30am Men's Bible Study  
6:30pm Bell Rehearsal
  - Thu 9:30am Ladies Bible Study  
8:00pm AA
  - Sat 4:00pm AA
- View our calendar on our website

**Sunday Worship Services** – We gather every Sunday at 9:30am in-person (with masks) and via Zoom for a time of worship, singing, praying, and hearing God's Word. The Zoom link and bulletin information are emailed on Saturday morning for you to follow along. Please join us – and invite your friends and family.



## From the Pastor

Chosen Instruments

1 Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

Praise him in his mighty firmament!

2 Praise him for his mighty deeds;

Praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

3 Praise him with trumpet sound;

Praise him with lute and harp!

4 Praise him with tambourine and dance;

Praise him with strings and pipe!

5 Praise him with clanging cymbals;

Praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

6 Let everything that breathes praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD! (Psalm 150)

We all look forward to music when we come to church. I can say that I've been a church music fan for well over 50 years; ever since my mom packed me off to choir at the tender age of 7. So yes, I've been praising God most of my life.

Now when we think of making a joyful noise we often think of using our voices and various musical instruments. How else can we make music for the Lord?

One great Christian had a slightly different idea:

The Prayer of Saint Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled as to console,

To be understood as to understand,

To be loved as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

It is in dying to self that we are born to eternal life.

Of course the word instrument can be any kind of implement. Yet if we are to be instrumental in the service of our Lord, perhaps we should think of ourselves as God's instruments called to bring the joyful noise of God's grace to all the world.

The music of divine love plays uniquely in each person's life. Through individual personalities and personal life events the goodness of God takes on a melody all its own. The song of God needs instruments to give it shape and voice.

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## Food Ministry

**Food Ministry Donations** Any member of KMPC who makes a directed donation to the Food Ministry will receive acknowledgement of their donation on their end of year tax statement from KMPC. In order to make sure the money is correctly allocated to the Food Ministry please clearly label the envelope "Food Ministry Donation". You may include cash (make sure to note your name) or a check and place in collection plate, or mail to the church at PO Box 560, Ringoes NJ 08551. Thank you in advance for supporting this ever growing ministry.

### Grocery Giveaways List

The next giveaway is September 24th. Thank you for your continued support. We literally cannot do this without you.

- Parmalat milk
- Peanut Butter, Jelly
- Cereal
- Pancake Mix, Syrup
- Apple Sauce
- Pasta Sauce
- Pasta
- Canned GREEN Vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Mac & Cheese
- Boxed potatoes (au gratin/scalloped/mashed)
- Brownie Mix
- Tuna
- large canned chicken
- Black beans
- Regular white rice
- Paper towels
- Toothbrushes
- Dish detergent

### From the Pastor continued

A piano is just a row of keys until someone touches them into life. A violin remains a mute stringed instrument until someone picks it up and touches the strings with song. We are all called to the instruments through which the melody of God takes shape. Through our lives God's love seeks to make music for the world.

Imagine how differently we might live our lives if each day when we awaken we envisioned ourselves as an instrument of God. We would know each day that we are not alone. We would rejoice and find comfort from the divine musician making a melody of goodness with our gifts and talents. We would know that God's understanding and compassion are being sung through us when we are with people who are sick or troubled. During this month of September I invite you to be an instrument of God's goodness. Develop your awareness each day of how God makes music through you. Discover anew how love touches others lives because of your availability and openness to the Divine presence. Most of all enjoy the song that God plays through you.

Joyfully,  
Pastor Marie

## Sunday Volunteers

09/04/2022 (Sun. 9:30am)	Worship Leader	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
	Coffee Hour	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
09/11/2022 (Sun. 9:30am)	Worship Leader	RP Roger Pickard
	Coffee Hour	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
09/18/2022 (Sun. 9:30am)	Worship Leader	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
	Coffee Hour	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>
09/25/2022 (Sun. 9:30am)	Worship Leader	NC Nancy Cronce
	Coffee Hour	<a href="#">Sign Up</a>

**Can You Help?** We need Worship Leaders to read during the worship, and Coffee Hour Hosts Sign up Sheets in the sanctuary or go online:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4BA9A623A4FDC25-volunteers>



# Deacon's September 2022 Pray-

## KMPC Family

Ashlyne – Jen B  
 Bart and Norma  
 Ben D. (military transfer)  
 Chuck & Jean Mundhenk  
 Corliss & Family  
 Danny S (non hodgkins  
 lymphoma)Debi N  
 Dorothy S. (healing)  
 Erik Z  
 John S (health)  
 Joyce G (looking for house)  
 Karol (medical issues) Sue B.  
 sister  
 Ridgeley H (car accident)  
 Scott Lanie B's husband  
 Steve & Terri F. (healing)  
 Shawn and Anthony  
 Pat W. grieving loss of her sister  
 Mary .  
 Caregivers  
 Families suffering with addictions  
 Homebound members & Shut-Ins  
 Hospice Patients  
 Teachers & /Students

## Assisted living/ Care Center

Barry C  
 Irene K.  
 Phyllis P  
 Millie W

## Extended KMPC Family

Alice (healing)  
 Amy F. (healing)  
 Angela Bodine (cancer)  
 Bill (heart attack) Kathy L brother  
 Charlotte's Family (grieving)  
 Edward G. (cancer) - Godown  
 Vance (liver cancer) Karen D  
 Deanna (chemo) Jeanne M friend  
 Denise and John (John kidney  
 removed, Denise breast cancer)  
 Kathy's cousin  
 Franklin (Cancer)  
 Helen B (moved to care facility)  
 Dorothy

Jackie -- Betsy P Daughter  
 Jen (Health Issues) – Betsy P  
 Joey (brain aneurysm)- Ferrell  
 Karen (hip replacement) Bev's  
 sister-in-law  
 Kayla (cancer) Dave C's  
 granddaughter  
 Keith P (healing)  
 Larry (liver cancer)-Ferrell  
 Linda (Cancer)  
 Lisa and Eric (house flooded) Lynn  
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 Lynn Mike V – Beverly's Friend  
 Lolly H.(brain tumor) Debbie N  
 friend  
 Mark Z  
 Nancy F. (Health issues) Kathy's  
 Friend  
 Natalie (Steve L sister)  
 Linda (Cancer)  
 Melissa (cancer) Bev's Friend  
 Richard B. Sr. (Healing, diabetes)-  
 Dorothy  
 Ron and Sandy P (healing)  
 Sally B. (Jessica R Mom) Chris  
 Sandra H. (healing)  
 Sherri B. (healing, lupus) –  
 Richard's daughter  
 Steve (cancer) -Tracy's friend.  
 Teri (cancer)- Ferrell  
 Toby & Judy N. (healing, Safety)  
 Tom (Lymphoma)  
 Families of Natural Disasters  
 First Responders  
 Military Men & Women and their  
 Families  
 President & Congress  
 Prisoners  
 Refugees  
 Shooting Victims  
 Troubled youth  
 U.S. & World Situations  
 Unemployed  
 Victims of Violence  
 People with flu and virus  
 People of Ukraine



1st Karin Stover  
 4th Parker Jensen  
 4th Christian Perangelo  
 8th Karen DeLay  
 13th Terry Kell  
 20th Angel Cockburn  
 24th Steve Ferrell  
 25th Mike Kurti  
 26th Tom Carey  
 26th Colleen Conrad  
 28th Mavis Friedermann  
 28th Melissa Hults-Mokros  
 30th Kevin Ireland



Sept. 2nd Bart & Norma Case  
 Sept. 2nd Roger & Karen DeLay  
 Sept. 4th Tom & Michelle Carey  
 Sept. 9th Skip & Terry Kell  
 Sept. 18th Dave & Marilyn Case  
 Sept. 20th Glenn & Tracy McClelland  
 Sept 20th Tom & Ellie Verbeyst



Please contact us to have names added or deleted at [admin@kirkpatrickchurch.org](mailto:admin@kirkpatrickchurch.org)

# Photo Album



## Project Backpack



On August 18, "Project Backpack" was able to take 16 filled backpacks & other school supplies to the Friendship Center for New Beginnings. They were thrilled with the generosity from our church. A huge thank you to all our faithful church family & friends who were able to purchase & fill all the backpacks. Your gifts are a blessing to many students.



## FRIENDSHIP CENTER FOR NEW BEGINNINGS



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www.friendship-center.org email: info@friendship-center.org Toll Free: 1 (877) 88 4 MOMS

August 24, 2022

Dear Beverly and all our friends at Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church ,

Thank you! The backpacks – our moms so appreciate the help and the kids just love picking from all the great packs!

What follows is a sincere message of heartfelt thanks. We are so blessed to serve God in this time, in this place. The Friendship Center is abundantly blessed in so many ways...primarily by our volunteers and partner organizations who support us every day and allow us to keep on providing for local families in need. You are an example of faithfulness to the Lord and God's children. We know that you have options on when, where and how much to share.

Your faithfulness in giving to the work at the Friendship Center (FCNB) blesses so many people every day. We are humbled by His grace and mercy in our lives and pray for abundant blessings on you today. The future is so much brighter knowing that you are with us and share our hearts for service.

We thank God for His protection of you and yours. These are certainly exciting but uncertain times. While we rejoice in the recent ruling supporting LIFE, we don't know what the future will bring to us and His ministry, but we are certain that our Lord will not be caught by surprise. Whatever we face, good or challenging, the Lord is with us and is always faithful.

Thank you for continuing to support our efforts and for helping us spread the good news to so many. You are an essential part of our ministry, as we strive to see God change lives with a positive, consistent and faithful message that has its foundation in the Word of God. Your donations have been such a blessing to those in need.

We joyfully ask for your continued support His Friendship Center and we thank you so much for your generous donations. Thanks to all of you who believe in the work and ministry here. We pray for you and ask God to continue pouring his blessing over you, His faithful servants.

Together in His service,

Mimi Koontz, Co-Director



Enhancing Trust

A Christian ministry to those who may be facing an unplanned pregnancy, and a resource center for single parents.