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***The Caring Ministries do not provide financial
assistance and do not provide direct medical care.***

Events and special services sponsored by FPC Caring Ministries

Check the church calendar
for exact dates and times

Blue Christmas

A service for those for whom the holidays are not so merry. The Blue Christmas service is for those experiencing grief or loss during the holiday season.

The service consists of prayers, scripture and music that acknowledges that God's presence is for those who mourn, or struggle - and that God's Word comes to shine light into our darkness. The brief service is followed by a meal of hot soup and bread in the foyer.

Usually held in mid-November.

All Saints Service

A time to acknowledge the loss of loved ones in the past year. A Sunday worship service of special music and prayers, as well as a candle lighting ceremony.

Usually falls on the last Sunday of October or the first Sunday in November.



Baskets for Babies

A ministry that brings baskets of infant-care items to parents of newborns.

Bereavement Team

A team of Stephen Ministers and Deacons who reach out and minister to those suffering the loss of a spouse or child.

Cards & Flowers Ministry

A ministry of the Deacons - flowers and cards are sent to the hospitalized or those who have lost a loved one. Easter flowers and Christmas poinsettias are delivered to at-home members and flowers from the sanctuary on Sunday mornings are taken to those in the hospital.

Caring & Sharing Support Group

A monthly gathering for those who have lost a spouse - featuring a rotation of educational speakers, socials, and spiritual retreats.

Healing Ministry

Team meets monthly to study and pray - offer healing prayer and anointing on Sunday mornings, and also in hospitals and homes by request.

Meal Ministry

Meals are prepared and delivered to members experiencing injury, illness, or financial crisis.

Older Adult Ministry

Focuses on education, socialization and support for the older adults in the congregation.

Partners in Prayer

Team members pray daily for those on the First Presbyterian Church prayer list. Prayer requests are published monthly, unless confidentiality is requested.

Pastoral Care Team

Team of pastors, retired pastors and the Pastoral Care Associate that follow the spiritual needs of the congregation and providing encouragement, support, prayers, and referrals, when needed.

Pet Care Ministry

Emergency pet care provided for members who are ill or hospitalized.

Personal Needs Team

Provides supplies to those with physical needs, as well as medical equipment for members in need.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Knitters committed to supplying prayer shawls and caps for those who are seriously ill or for those who have lost a child or spouse.

Shepherd Team

This team connects with first-time visitors by hand-delivering and a complimentary gift bag from the church.

Stephen Ministry

Trained lay ministers provide one-to-one Christian care to those experiencing grief, divorce, hospitalization, disability, loneliness, job loss, and many other life changes/crises.

Samaritan Counseling Center

First Presbyterian is a partner church to the Center, which offers professional help, from a staff of psychologists, counselors, and licensed therapists.

Tax Service Ministry

This group of professionals helps the elderly and disabled with the preparation of tax returns on an as-needed basis.

Transport Team

Provides occasional, local transportation for members unable to drive to doctor appointments, therapy sessions, tests and hospital visits, or to the grocery store, bank, pharmacy, or church services.

Telecare Ministry

for members unable to drive to Doctor appointments, therapy sessions, tests and hospital visits, grocery store, bank, pharmacy, or church services.

Other Local Ministries

Regular phone calls are made to follow up with those on the prayer list, providing support and reassurance.

Caring in the City

Mitten Tree - [Christmas] hats, scarves, gloves and mittens collected for underprivileged children in the city.

Swedish Heart Tree - [Christmas] toys collected for the underprivileged children in the city.

Winter Homeless Shelter - sleeping accommodations for the homeless [in rotation with other downtown churches].

Meals - meals prepared and served for homeless [in rotation with other downtown churches.]

Future Generations After school program for at-risk children/youth [run on-site].

CHOICES Daily program for adults with disabilities [run on-site].

Open Arms Day Care Christian Day Care [run on-site].

Simple Service Group Group that assists members with simple at-home chores on an as-needed basis.