

The Missive, May 2025

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Letter from Rev. Calandra Nevenzel, Our New Interim Minister

Dear Beloved of
First Presbyterian Church in Richland,

I am so excited to start on this new part of FPC's journey together with you all! I have met some of you already when I served from your pulpit on March 2nd. My family and I are so grateful for the extravagant welcome and love you showed to us when we visited! I look forward to serving God with you, as we care for God's people both within your congregation and in the community of Richland.

Here is a little more about me: I grew up in Valparaiso, Indiana, then I went to Hope College in Holland, MI, where I majored in Religion and German, and studied abroad in Freiburg, Germany. My German is a little rusty today, but I still try to use it when I can, even in worship on occasion! After college, I went on to receive my M.Div at Western Theological Seminary, which is right next door to Hope. I served as a Pastoral Intern at North Holland Reformed Church all through seminary. In 2015, I got married and moved to Kalamazoo. I was ordained in the Reformed Church in America, and then transferred my standing to the United Church of Christ. I served Portage UCC for four years, then Zion UCC in Baroda for four more years.

I have also been serving the Michigan Conference UCC and the more local body of the

Southwest Association, for the past six years. Some of my biggest goals in this call have been caring for and supporting the churches and clergy in Southwest Michigan through building relationships and resources.

My husband Zach and I will have been married for 10 years this June! He is an attorney at Warner Norcross & Judd in Kalamazoo. Zach is my biggest supporter in ministry, and brings his own gifts for service to the church. We recently adopted our 14 year old son Kurt and we all look forward to worshipping with you together! Of course I can't forget to include Rascal our Boxer dog and Ezekiel (Zeke for short), our cat.

I truly look forward to learning more about your church and community, and serving faithfully with you and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, as we love God and love neighbor together.

Starting May 18, you will be seeing me in the pulpit on Sunday mornings. I'll be working collaboratively with you and your leaders as your Intentional Interim Minister for the next year to build you up now in order to prepare you for your future! While I will be working part-time and mostly remotely from Baroda until we move to our new home in Otsego by

Letter from Rev. Cal continued on page 5

May 2025

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|---------------------------------|
| 27 9:45 Worship, Scout Sunday and KidsFirst | 28 5:00 Boy & Cub Scouts 6:00 Boy Scouts | 29 8:00 Men's Breakfast 10:00 Connected Threads Food Pantry Staff Meeting 6:15 Brownie and Daisy Scouts | 30 10:00 Food Pantry 4:30 Girl Scouts 6:30 Library Team Trivia | 1 MAY 11:00 Bible Study 5:00 Girl Scouts 5:30 Food Pantry | 2 | 3 3:00 Family Group Games |
| 4 9:45 Worship with Communion and KidsFirst 11:00 FaithFirst Sunday School Class | 5 1:00 Pastoral Care Team 5:00 Boy & Cub Scouts | 6 9:00 Walking Group 10:00 Connected Threads Food Pantry Staff Meeting 1:00 Worship & Music 7:00 Moms' Group | 7 10:00 Food Pantry Noon Seasoned Seniors 7:00 Mission Committee Meeting | 8 11:00 Bible Study 5:30 Food Pantry 6:00 Deacons Meeting 7:00 Choir Rehearsal | 9 | 10 |
| 11 ~ Mother's Day ~ 9:45 Worship and KidsFirst 2:00 Boy Scouts | 12 5:00 Boy & Cub Scouts | 13 10:00 Connected Threads Food Pantry Staff Meeting 6:15 Session Brownie and Daisy Scouts | 14 10:00 Food Pantry 4:30 Girl Scouts 6:00 Christmas Carol Book Discussion | 15 11:00 Bible Study 5:00 Girl Scouts 5:30 Food Pantry | 16 9:30 Student Piano Recital | 17 |
| 18 9:45 Worship and KidsFirst 11:00 Just Love 11:15 Welcome Pastor Cal & Family 5:30 Student Piano Recital | 19 5:00 Boy & Cub Scouts 6:00 Boy Scouts | 20 9:00 Walking Group 10:00 Connected Threads at Beacon Pointe Food Pantry Staff Meeting | 21 10:00 Food Pantry 11:30 ARC Blood Drive 6:15 Session Meeting | 22 11:00 Bible Study 5:30 Food Pantry 7:00 Choir Rehearsal | 23 3:00 Home Again Kindergarten Graduation | 24 |
| 25 9:45 Worship | 26 ~ Memorial Day ~ Office Closed 5:00 Boy & Cub Scouts 6:00 Boy Scouts | 27 8:00 Men's Breakfast 10:00 Connected Threads Food Pantry Staff Meeting 5:00 Matthew 25 6:15 Brownie and Daisy Scouts | 28 10:00 Food Pantry 4:30 Girl Scouts | 29 11:00 Bible Study 5:00 Girl Scouts 5:30 Food Pantry | 30 | 31 |
| 1 JUNE 9:45 Worship with Communion and KidsFirst | 2 1:00 Pastoral Care Team 5:00 Boy & Cub Scouts | 3 10:00 Connected Threads Food Pantry Staff Meeting 1:00 Worship & Music | 4 10:00 Food Pantry Noon Seasoned Seniors 7:00 Mission Committee Meeting | 5 11:00 Bible Study 5:30 Food Pantry | 6 | 7 |

May Celebrations

May Birthdays

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|--|---|--|
| 1 st Harold Gobble | 17 th Larry Myland | 25 th Chris Koffend |
| 2 nd Jason Lindenberg | 17 th Joan Willemstyn | 26 th Anna Gross |
| 3 rd Amber Beals | 18 th Shannan Deater | 27 th Poppy Smith |
| 6 th Vicki Janson | 19 th Alison Butler | 27 th Tom Webb |
| 6 th Scott Alexander | 20 th Sandra Gobble | 27 th Eric Wines |
| 11 th Nancy Remley | 20 th Tyson Putt | 27 th Erica Wines Smith |
| 12 th Lindsay Webb | 21 st David Stasevich | 29 th Caty Zick |
| 14 th Barb Brundage | 22 nd Lee Coverly | 31 st George Becker |
| 16 th Joyce Gibson | 22 nd Mara Juodawlakis | 31 st Larke Lindenberg |
| 17 th Vicky Langshaw Thomas | 24 th Chloe Wieber | |

Anniversaries

- | | |
|---|---|
| 2 ndJudy & Ted Ruser for 44 years | 21 stJilisa & Mark Williams for 31 years |
| 7 thShari & Rick Wynsma for 37 years | 24 thErin & Mark Jennings for 39 years |
| 9 thSandra & Harold Gobble for 61 years | 26 thJean & Walt Stafford for 63 years |
| 10 thSandy & Ken Barts for 45 years | 28 thRonda & Ed Schaadt for 59 years |
| 11 thAmy & Mike Juodawlakis for 29 years | |

SESSION

| | |
|---|--|
| <p>Class of 2025 Sam Beals, <i>Finance</i> Bethany Gauthier, <i>Membership & Fellowship</i> Brian Young, <i>Mission</i> Joyce Gibson, <i>Christian Education</i> Sandy Hart, <i>Worship & Music</i></p> <p>Class of 2026 Laura Carisalez, <i>Finance</i> Jill Steele, <i>Mission</i> Connie Kratzer, <i>Worship & Music</i> Ruth Mason, <i>Personnel</i></p> | <p>Class of 2027 Pam Foster, <i>Membership & Fellowship</i> Tom Stegink, <i>Building and Grounds</i></p> <p>Special Moderator Seth Weeldreyer</p> <p>Clerk of Session Rick Foster</p> |
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DEACONS

Class of 2025
 Anna Gross
 Tineke Stolt
 Jeremiah Smith
 Christie Sutherland

Class of 2026
 Amber Beals
 Joan Willemstyn
 Sandra Gobble
 Margaret Hetzel

Class of 2027
 Heidi Bryant
 Joyce Dishon
 Joan Willemstyn

May Volunteer Roster

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:10

Liturgist

May 4 Jennifer Spengler
May 11 Terry Vantine
May 18 Sandra Gobble
May 25 Rick Foster
June 1 **Volunteer Needed**

Welcome Team

May 4 Jean & Walt Stafford
May 11 Jill Steele
May 18 Pam & Rick Foster
May 25 **Volunteer Needed**
June 1 **Volunteer Needed**

Coffee Teams

May 4 Pam & Rick Foster
May 11 Heidi Bryant
May 18 Sandy & Steve Hart
May 25 Joan Willemstyn
June 1 **Volunteer Needed**

KidsFirst

May 4 Valerie Osborne
May 11 Joyce Gibson and Juan Carisalez
May 18 **Two Volunteers Needed**
June 1 Shannon Smith

Nursery Volunteer

May 4 Carol & Liam Gault
May 11 **Volunteer Needed**
May 18 Joyce Gibson
May 25 **Volunteer Needed**
June 1 **Volunteer Needed**

Panera Bread, Monday

May 5 Joyce & Gary Gibson
May 12 Deb & Mark Fisher
May 19 Jim Staley
May 26 Christie & Steve Sutherland
June 2 Joyce & Gary Gibson

Panera Bread, Friday

May 2 Margaret Hetzel
May 9 Sandra & Ken Barts
May 16 Sara Wieber
May 23 Cara Barnes
May 30 Kalli & Steve Inman
June 6 Margaret Hetzel

Richland Food Pantry

May 1 Christina Chase and Janet Harrison
May 6 Jan Runnels and Jim Staley
May 7 Shannon Smith
May 8 Janet Harrison and Renee Scott
May 13 Jan Runnels and Jim Staley
May 14 Marilyn Graber
May 15 Janet Harrison and Myah VanTil
May 20 Shannon Smith and Jim Staley
May 21 Rose Ann Triestram
May 22 Janet Harrison and Renee Scott
May 27 Thomas Stegink and **Volunteer Needed**
May 28 Marilyn Graber
May 29 Janet Harrison and Pat Weatherwax
June 3 Jan Runnels and Jim Staley

Scan the QR codes below to sign-up and volunteer



Sunday Morning
Welcome Team



Sunday Morning
Coffee Team



Food Pantry
Mornings



Food Pantry
Evenings



Letter from Rev. Cal *continued from front cover*

July and I begin full-time, I would love to get to know you, what you love about First Presbyterian Church, and the hopes and dreams you have for the future of ministry. Below is my contact info. Feel free to call, email, or text me. If I don't answer right away, leave me a message and I will get back with you soon. Let's get to know each other! I look forward to getting to know all of you and doing this beautiful ministry work which we have been called to do as Christ's hands and feet in the world.

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Peace,
Pastor Cal
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Introducing Our New Interim Pastor *by Rick Foster*

We were pleased to announce at Easter Services the hiring of Pastor Calandra Nevenzal as our new Interim Pastor beginning Saturday, May 17th. Pastor Cal will be half-time from May 17th to June 30th as she completes a family move to the area and completes the school year for her son Kurt. Pastor Cal will be full-time beginning July 1st. She will be in the pulpit every Sunday and work with staff during the week.

Goals for this ministry are to work with the congregation on the five "developmental tasks" of interim ministry:

- Coming to terms with history,
- Discovering a new congregational identity,
- Facilitating shifts in lay leadership and changes in congregational power structures,
- Rethinking and renewing denominational linkages, and
- Preparing for new pastoral leadership and a new future.

The Interim Pastor will fulfill the following responsibilities:

- Provide spiritual and administrative leadership for the congregation.
- Lead worship and administer the sacraments.
- Officiate at weddings and funerals.
- Work with the Pastoral Care Team to provide pastoral care for the congregation and for all who seek comfort and guidance through the church.
- Serve as moderator of the session.
- Serve as head of staff.
- Assist boards and committees in their ministry.
- Train newly elected officers and assist in preparing persons for membership.
- Participate in the presbytery.
- Work with the Presbytery in the conduct of a Congregational Mission Study.
- Assist in the preparation of the Church's Ministry Discernment Profile.

The Interim Pastor will not be involved in the work of the Pastor Nominating Committee beyond providing opportunities for them to communicate with the session and congregation about their progress.

Give hope this spring.

Give blood.



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For Such a Time as This

by Rev. Pat Weatherwax

After I was “honorably” retired from Battle Creek First Pres., I signed what the PC(USA) calls the “Covenant of Closure.” Pastors sign this document when leaving a called position, requiring them to forever keep their hands off and their noses out of their previous church’s business. It ensures the new pastor can proceed without any burdensome meddling or alliances.

Signing that form and following its spirit meant I needed to find a new church family when I retired. I church-shopped for quite some time before I followed up on Nathan Martens’ suggestion to check out Richland First Presbyterian. I quickly fell in love with the traditional liturgy, the progressive stance towards social equality, the many lively children, and Mark Jennings’ engaging sermons. I very much enjoyed being in the pew rather than the pulpit. Then Rev. Jennings had his devastating stroke, and I consented to preach on occasion. We did not realize then just how many times that would be!

That fall, at the Michigan Pilgrimage retreat that I didn’t attend (I was too busy being a caregiver for my spouse), the theme verse was from the book of Esther (4:14). It’s the verse where Esther hears that her circumstances were God-directed: “for such a time as this.”

I feel that my being with you as a fill-in pastor was similarly a direction of God smiling at all of us, for a time, for that season. I was so grateful for all the support when my husband died. Thank you for caring, carrying me through.

I’m glad that the circumstances of my “retiring” from irregular worship leadership at Richland does not require me to have a formal closure. So, I will continue to hang around, caring about you, singing in the choir, volunteering at the Food Pantry, and helping in the nursery! I probably will occasionally attend friends’ churches, and fill some vacant pulpits, but I expect to continue to call Richland First Presbyterian my home. And I will set some serious boundaries as the new pastors come in.

I look forward to being a friend to the interim pastor, Rev Nevenzel. She is impressive. And, when the time is right I will be cheering for the search team. This is such an exciting season!

As you’ve known me to say: God loves you and so do I!

We Welcome Pastor Cal

by Pam Foster

Please join us on May 18th after worship in the GPR for cake to welcome Pastor Cal, her husband, Zach, and their son, Kurt. This will be a wonderful opportunity for each of us to introduce ourselves and to hear from Pastor Cal. She will take a few minutes and share some of the ideas and goals that she has for our church during her time with us.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Pie Tent, Rummage Sale Update Planning Meetings, May 20th & 25th

by Pam Foster

We are excited to share with you that our Pie Tent tradition carries on!

A few months ago, the Presbyterian Women (PW) decided to dissolve and we honor that decision and appreciate all that they have done over the years. However, there was a concern about the future of the 4th of July Pie Tent and the annual rummage sale that they sponsored every year.

Nancy Lynch represented PW at a recent Session meeting and emphasized the necessity of continuing the pie tent and the rummage sale. The community outreach is important, and people look forward to both events. The monies raised help local missions and those individuals depend on and greatly benefit from our support.

The Membership and Fellowship Elders offered to adopt these two-yearly events under their umbrella and the Session approved.

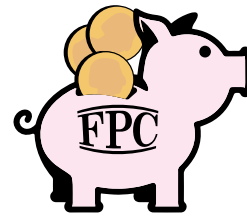
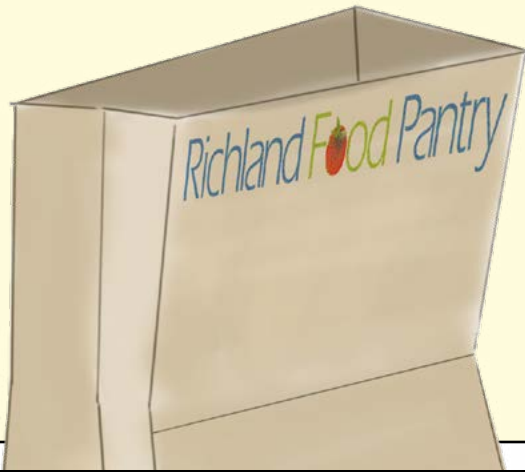
WE NEED YOU!

Two planning meetings for the Pie (maybe Pie & Pastry) Tent will be held on Tuesday, May 20th, at 7 pm at the Deacon Brown House AND Sunday, May 25th, at 11:15 am in the Gull Prairie Room. Your ideas are welcome and include: pricing of baked goods and do we offer brownies, cookies, muffins, and breads?

If you are unable to attend either planning meeting and have input to share, please reach out to Pam @ 269-317-3552 (text or call).

Food Pantry Shopping List

Loaves & Fishes does a remarkable job keeping the pantry stocked with food to help those in our community struggling with food insecurities, but some items are difficult to keep on the shelves. Boxed breakfast cereals are always in demand, and boxed bread, muffin and pancake mixes are also popular.



General Fund Update

by Laura Carisalez

This monthly statement is prepared by the Financial Committee to help members understand our position on meeting our budgeted giving commitments. A full update of income and expenses will be provided in the annual report.

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| Actuals for April YTD | \$101,039.40 |
| Budget for April YTD..... | \$112,926.67 |
| Actuals vs. Budget for April YTD..... | (\$11,887.27) |
| | lower than budget |
| Total General fund income budget for 2025... | \$284,210.00 |

Deacons, Elders Attend Officer Training

by Rick Foster

Lake Michigan Presbytery provided an in-depth church officer training for First Presbyterian Church of Richland on Saturday, April 26th from 10 am to 3 pm. Seven of the ten Deacons were present and ten of the twelve Elders currently on Session attended. The training was led by Reverend Kristin Stroble representing the Commission on Ministry and Reverend Fran Lane-Lawrence, Slated Clerk of the Lake Michigan Presbytery. Such training is required every year or so, and covers the roles and responsibilities of elected officers of the church.

It was emphasized, that church officers are spiritual leaders called to service by Christ and the congregation. Gifts that they bring should include empathy, discernment, patience, ability to listen, be in prayer, flexibility and open-mindedness, knowledge of community, and being hopeful and optimistic. It was emphasized that Session Elders provide oversight of church operations and policy, while Deacons provide spiritual support and empathy for church members and care for those in need. All serve as a united leadership team in service to Christ, our church and community.

We encourage members of First Presbyterian Church of Richland to consider church officer service as Deacon or Elder as the opportunity arises, or serve as volunteer for the many ministries provided to the Richland/Gull Lake community.

The training session was informative and fun.



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by Sandy Carahaly

Happy May, friends! We hope you are enjoying the warmer weather and basking in the glow of flowering trees, green grass, and maybe even some foraged morels? I walked barefoot in the grass a few days ago and realized how much I had missed it... half an hour later I found myself deep in the woods and navigating tree roots like an overgrown (and not-so-hairy-footed) Hobbit. What Spring rituals have made you smile and revived your spirit, recently?

As we look forward to the next few months, please save these dates:

Sunday, May 18: Just Love meets in the church Resource Center after worship. We will be finalizing plans for our Pride service in June. Please join us!

**Sunday, June 22: Pride Worship (9:45 AM)
– always a wonderfully uplifting service!**

Our plan to have a guest speaker from OutFront Kalamazoo in April was sadly foiled by impacts of the severe weather earlier in the week. We look forward to trying again in the Fall, and hope that you will all attend Kalamazoo Pride to support OFK! Kalamazoo Pride is June 6 & 7 at the Arcadia Creek Festival Site. More info here: www.outfrontkzoo.org/pride2025

A Minute to Reflect:

With Memorial Day approaching (May 26), it seems a good time to reflect on the contributions that LGBTQ+ service members have made to the U.S. military. Like all who take military oaths, their commitment to duty reflects the core values of sacrifice, honor, and service that define military life. Unlike most who take the oath, their personal lives have historically had to be hidden, making their call to service even more significant.

The US military has not kept track of the sexual orientation of those soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the service of our country, but one notable name stands out: Major Alan G. Rogers. Major Rogers, a Black US Army intelligence officer and ordained pastor who served during Operation Iraqi Freedom, was killed during foot patrol in Baghdad, when an IED detonated. He worked hard during his lifetime to repeal Don't Ask, Don't Tell and to ensure that LGBTQ+ servicemembers were able to serve openly and with dignity. But when he died, he was reported as "not married and left no children." The fact that he was a gay man was intentionally left out of the news reports.

Notable Quotes:

"Today's current policy on gays in the military seems to rest on many faulty assumptions—namely that homosexuals will jeopardize unit cohesiveness. My research has been unable to justify that position and has found that the opposite is more true. Denying service members the right to serve freely and openly violates basic dignity and respect of the human experience and puts our national security at risk." Major Alan G. Rogers, Georgetown University Master's thesis, 2005

Dates of Significance, May 2025

- May 5 - 11: Trans+ History Week
- May 17: International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia (IDAHOTB)
- May 19: Agender Pride Day
- May 22: Harvey Milk Day
- May 24: Pansexual Visibility Day
- May 26: Memorial Day



by Amber Beals

Family Group Games

Join other church families on May 3rd for an afternoon of games, fun and food at the Smith home. Plan to bring a snack to share. Burgers/dogs provided. Please RSVP to Shannon at shannon.wixson@gmail.com or Amber at amberbeals@gmail.com.

FPC Walking Group, Upcoming Walks

May 6, 9 a.m., Walk in the MSU/Kellogg Forest. The parking lot is off 42nd St., approximately one-half mile south of M89 on the west side of the road.
May 20, 9 a.m., Walk in the Richland Township Park for 1 or 2 loops. Meet by the playground.

Moms' Group

Join us for the next Moms' Group at the Deacon Brown House on May 6, 7 p.m. We will be discussing the book *In the Country We Love* by Diane Guerrero.

Christmas Carol Book Discussion Group

This group normally meets the third Wednesday of the month at the Deacon Brown House, however the next gathering will be May 14, 6 to 7:15 p.m. Please read lessons 17-20.

Matthew 25

The next Quarterly Check-in will be May 27th, 5 p.m., in the church Resource Center. Join in the discussion of our community-based ministries with emphasis on Just Love, Earth Care, and Poverty.

If you have any questions about any of these Small Group events or want to suggest a Small Group activity you'd like to see, please contact Amber via phone or text at 269-303-1673 or by email at amberbeals@gmail.com.

Happy Mother's Day!

by Brooke Heck and the KidsFirst ministry

This Mother's Day, all of us at KidsFirst want to give a huge shoutout to the amazing moms, grandmas, aunts, and all the incredible women who love and care for the kids in our church family.



You do so much each and every day - from packing lunches to cheering from the sidelines to always being there with a hug or a kind word. But even more than that, you show us what God's love looks like every single day.

The Bible says in Proverbs 31:26, "She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue." That's you. Whether you're volunteering with the KidsFirst ministry or just encouraging us with a smile, you're planting seeds of faith that grow big in the hearts of the children of our church!

Motherhood comes in many forms, and today we honor every woman who has loved, taught, and cared for a child-whether by birth, adoption, or by being a steady presence in a child's life. You make a difference. You set an example. You are important in the lives of the children around you.

Thank you for your love, your prayers, and your example. I am so thankful God made you part of our church family. Happy Mothers Day!

Summer KidsFirst Dates

by Brooke Heck

The weather is warming up, the flowers are starting to bloom, and KidsFirst is gearing up for another summer of fun! KidsFirst will not be meeting every week during June, July, and August. Dates to add to your calendar:

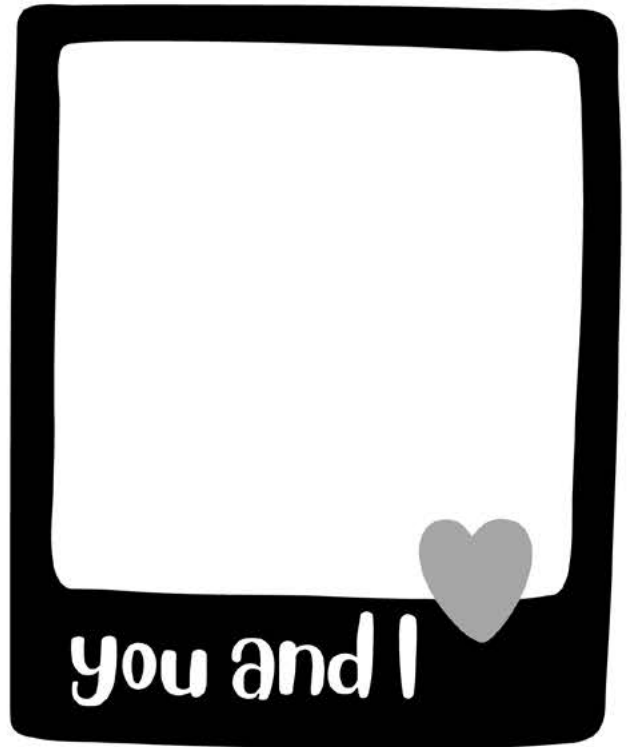
- **June 8**
 - KidsFirst meets
 - End of Year picnic
- **June 15**
 - KidsFirst meets
 - Father's Day
- **June 29**
 - KidsFirst meets
- **July 20**
 - KidsFirst meets
- **July 27-30**
 - Vacation Bible School
- **August 3**
 - KidsFirst meets
- **August 17**
 - KidsFirst meets
- **August 24**
 - KidsFirst meets

Me and my _____

She always says _____

I love her because

She is really good at _____



Our favorite thing to do together is



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MAY

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Reverend Calandra Nevenzal, *Interim Pastor* †
Reverend Pat Weatherwax, *Parish Associate* *

Amber Beals, *Small Group Ministries*
Brooke Heck, *Sunday School Director*

Rachel Little, *Office Manager*
Connie Slater, *Sexton*
Karen Urban, *Office Volunteer* *

Maureen Lovequist, *Director of Instrumental Music*
Kaleb Nuesse, *Choir Director*

Laura Carisalez, *Financial Administrator*
Chris Gobble, *Financial Secretary*

Paul Gobble, *Director of Communications*
Jeremiah Smith, Jarrod Heck, Zoe Gobble,
Production *

† effective date May 17, 2025 * volunteer