# **News at First**

### JUNE 2025 | FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Our Mission: *To make known the love of God through Jesus Christ*. Our Vision: *We are empowered to live out our faith in daily life*.

## Constant and Unchanging

Summer's arrival feels positive to many people but may not be smooth for all. Families who rely on regular school meals for their children must stretch grocery dollars further. Heat poses risks for elderly people who lack air conditioning. Work can be difficult to find in the summer months, and uncertainty looms for recent graduates. Meanwhile, concerns such as wars, natural disasters and health problems don't take a summer break.

St. Teresa of Avila (1515–1582) prayed, "May you be blessed forever, Lord, for being constant and unchanging, amidst all the changes of the world." Her prayer is as appropriate today as nearly 500 years ago. When all around us is unstable and unreliable, God's love and faithfulness are constant and trustworthy.

**Food Pantry** currently has needs that they are dividing amongst churches. They have requested the following needs of FPC:

- Jelly
- Corn meal muffin mixes
- Cake mixes

Gift cards (\$25 increments) to our local grocers are always a tremendous help!

Monetary donations are tax deductible and are used to purchase items with reduced case pricing. These can be mailed to Monticello Ministerial Assoc. (PO Box 62, Monticello, IA 52310, Memo:"Food Pantry")

Items can be dropped off during food pantry hours:

Mondays, 5p-7p, and Fridays, 2p-4p

THANK YOU to all of our generous neighbors that make this service a



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**VBS 2025!** July 28th-August 1st, 2025

### **ONILINE** registration has begun

Visit <u>https://forms.gle/</u> <u>KgJnNiSdehQBDrS77</u> to sign up!









### 2025 Scholarship Recipients













### IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS



FPC Capital Projects 2024-2027						
May 19, 2025		Initial Payment	Interest/Principal Loan Repayment	Start Work Payment	Completion Payment	Total Payment
Expenses		FUNDS EXPENSED	FUNDS EXPENSED	FUNDS EXPENSED	FUNDS EXPENSED	FUNDS EXPENSED
Sanctuary Windows All	\$130,000.00	\$11,896.75		\$20,321.25		\$32,218.00
Solar Project	\$110,250.00			\$10,700.00	\$96,300.00	\$107,000.00
Mini Splits w/ Electric	\$25,000.00			\$12,678.39	\$11,181.04	\$23,859.43
Kitchen Floor	\$10,000.00					\$0.00
Contingency	\$24,750.00	\$2,353.00	\$363.21			\$2,716.21
Total	\$300,000.00	\$14,249.75	\$363.21	\$43,699.64	\$107,481.04	\$165,793.64
Income		FUNDS RECEIVED			Cash on Hand	
Commitment from Endowments/ Memorial Funds	\$70,000.00	\$11,896.75			\$58,103.25	
Commitment from Congregation	\$151,700.00	\$76,400.00			\$76,400.00	
Federal Cash Incentive/Solar	\$33,000.00					
PILP Loan		\$111,331.00			\$12,678.00	
Total Committed	\$254,700.00	\$199,627.75			\$33,834.11	Total Cash on Hand
\$ Yet to Raise	\$45,300.00					
		PLEDGES RECEIVED		Outstanding		
2024 Pledged	\$25,500.00	\$25,500.00		\$0.00		
2025 Pledged	\$69,500.00	\$50,900.00		\$18600.00		
2026 Pledged	\$33,850.00	\$0.00		\$33850.00		
2027 Pledged	\$22,850.00	\$0.00		\$22850.00		
Total	\$151,700.00	\$76,400.00		\$75300.00		
Explanation	Contingency money used	so far (\$2353.00) is loan closing amour	nt			

#### Year-to-date: May 12, 2025.

#### Checking Balance \$23,715.38

Income— Actual. \$63,913.45 Budget. \$169,239.39 Percent. 37.77%

Expenses— Actual. \$72,320.19 Budget. \$207,811.89 Percent. 34.80%

Attendance

	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>		
Apr 27	38	6		
May 4	52	11		
May 11	80	10		
May 18	53	-		

Notes:

- 1. Paid Next Gen mini splits initial payment, \$12,678.39
- 2. Received quarterly Presbyterian Foundation interest, \$10,909.59
- Received Peter Smith interest, \$110.39 3.
- 4. Received Harriet Hinz interest & transferred to Memorial account, \$69.13
- 5. Received Received first loan draw, \$108,978.00
- Transferred from first loan draw to Building savings, \$12,678.39 6.
- 7. Paid Rabe Hardware final payment on solar project, \$96,300.00
- Paid Next Gen final payment on mini splits, \$7,039.63 8.
- Paid J & B Electric for electric wiring of mini splits, \$4,1.41.41 9.
- 10. Paid Presbytery of East Iowa for OGHS, \$332.68
- 11. Paid Presbytery of East Iowa total Per Capita payment, \$6,528.96