The First Presbyterian Church – Willoughby

September 6, 2026

15th Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. S. Shane Nanney - Pastor

Fill our minds with holy thoughts, O Lord, that we may think what you would have us think and worship you with purity of heart. Amen.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Alexis, Alberta, Amanda, Angela, Ann, Annie, Barbara, Beulah, Betty, Bill, Bob, Barbara, Barbra, Brianna, Bruce, Cian, Cindy V., David, Debbie, Dick, Don, Elsie, Gail, Jacob, Jason, Jeanette, Jeff, Jessica, Jim, Joe, John, Joyce, Julie, Karen, Kim, Lee, Linda, Marlette, Mark, Nancy, Pat, Ronald, Tracy, Sean, Stephanie, Suzanne, and the Rahmani family.

We pray for the whole world. May peace prevail on earth.

REMEMBER OUR FRIENDS IN CARE CENTERS AND HOMEBOUND

FLOWER DEDICATION - Flowers may be ordered and placed at the front of the church ($25 for one vase, $50 for two). Once the morning worship services are finished, you are encouraged to take them home or direct them to a homebound or hospital patient. The flower chart is in the entrance hall. Suzan Plautz is your contact for dedication. Her number is 440-749-2044.

THIS WEEK THE FLOWERS ARE A GIFT. – Victoria Smith's family has dedicated the flowers this week to honor Rosalyn's birthday. Happy birthday Rosalyn!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONSISTENT GIVING.

Your dedication is so very much appreciated! Ways to give:

*Place your offerings in the Offering Box in the Sanctuary.

*Send your gift by mail

*Bring your gift to the church and place in the black mailboxes

*Set up automatic payment through your bank.

*Give online using the QR code here or through our **PayPal** button

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FINANCIAL GIVING – Aug 30 , 2026 Attendance: **73** in-person and **13** online

CHURCH PICNIC - is scheduled for next Sunday, September 13 after the 10:00 am service. There is only one service and it will not be livestreamed. We invite all online worshippers to join us in person. **Each committee has planned for what they will bring/provide for this potluck lunch. Fellowship Committee is providing the entertainment.** There will be a trivia contest with prizes! So come, bring a friend or two and enjoy this very popular Fellowship event.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION – September 20 is the true start of Christian Education. **Children's Sunday school** starts on Sundays from 9:15am-10:00am for ages K-5 and kids ages 6-12 will attend from 10:00-11:00am. Grades K-5 will be studying "God's Amazing Kids" and youth grades 6-12 will be studying "God's call, the world's need, your purpose".

Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, September 22 with classes gathering from 1:00pm-2:00pm at Breckenridge North Building and 7:00-8:00pm in Room 1 here in the church. Bible study requires contacting Pastor Shane via email - shanenanney@gmail.com.

FREE FOOD PANTRY –We've collected new requests from our guests who come to us on Mondays. The September requests are for shampoo or body wash, canned vegetables, healthy cereal, facial tissue or paper towels and bread.

HAVE YOU SAT WITH A BEAR YET? –Bears with a prayer around their necks are in the pews for you to take. It's a comforting way to give one or take one knowing that the bears will be given as a gift to anyone who could use a little love. The prayer card will also remind the recipient that they are not alone and that we are praying for them.

Upcoming dates to mark on your calendar:

*Dine to Donate at Texas Roadhouse is scheduled for Tues, **Sept. 8**
*Church picnic (formerly known as Rally Day) will take place on **September 13,** after a 10:00 service. There will be one service that day.
* Children's Sunday school resumes Sun., September 20.
* Bible Study resumes on Tuesday, September 22.
* The next Agape Feast takes place on Thurs., **Sept. 24** at 5:15 pm.

IN THE SPIRIT OF FELLOWSHIP – Participate with us once a month or just once.

Sept 8	Dine to Donate	Texas Roadhouse
Sept 13	Church picnic	WPG community room
Oct. 3	Men's breakfast	First Watch
Oct. 3	Women's breakfast	TBD

SEPTEMBER DIRECTORIES – New directories will be printed for delivery in September. If you have moved, changed phone numbers or name please submit your requested changes to Laura@fpcwilloughby.org before **September 15.**

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR STAFF

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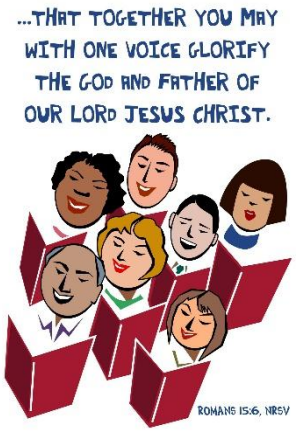
TEXAS ROADHOUSE – SHARE A MEAL AND SHARE GOD'S LOVE. On Tuesday, **September 8**, Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of the proceeds of your bill to First Presbyterian Church – Willoughby when you mention FPCW. This year, our church family will make the evening even more meaningful by welcoming Agape Feast guests to your tables. For some of our Agape friends, a restaurant meal would be a real blessing. By treating someone, you'll offer more than just a meal – you'll share conversation, kindness, and Christ's love. At the same time, 10% of your bill will support the ministries of our church. Agape guests who wish to participate will fill out raffle tickets during the **August 27** Agape Feast and then volunteer hosts will be matched with winners. One evening. One meal. Two blessings.



CHOIR NEWS - Another choir season is about to begin. The Chancel Choir rehearses every Thursday from 7:00 to 8:30 pm, beginning on September 3. If you like to sing and want to join us, please know that you are welcome. Stop at the organ any Sunday after the 11:00 service and talk with Don Brickman for more information.

PAYPAL – We are aware that the top line for categories for donation is not spelled correctly. I have spent hours on the phone and/or a problem solving chat. For now the choice is Pledges &amp, General Offerings or scroll and find there are 8 different categories to choose from.

September Lectionary

September 6	Romans 13:8-14	Matthew 18:15-20
September 13	Psalms 145:4-7	1 Corinthians 3:5-9
September 20	Exodus 16:2-15	Matthew 20:1-16
September 27	Philippians 2:1-13	Matthew 21:23-32

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CHURCH THIS WEEK?

Sun, Sept 6	9:00 am	Contemporary Worship
	10:00 am	Coffee and Fellowship
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship
Mon, Sept 7	LABOR DAY – OFFICE CLOSED	
	12:00 pm	One Step at a Time – Women's only - WPG
	4:00 pm	Free Food Distribution – WPG
	7:30 pm	Willoughby Monday AA meeting – WPG
Tues, Sept 8	3:00 pm	DINE TO DONATE AT TEXAS ROADHOUSE
	8:00 pm	Willoughby Tuesday AA meeting – WPG
Wed, Sept 9	1:00 pm	Lake County Women AA meeting – WPG
	6:00 pm	Girl Scouts – Upstairs
	6:30 pm	Session - Parlor
	6:30 pm	Families Anonymous – Room 1
	7:30 pm	Wickliffe Group AA meeting – WPG
Thu, Sept 10	10:00 am	Membership and Evangelism – Room 1
	7:00 pm	Choir practice
	7:00 pm	Al Anon – Parlor
Sat, Sept 12	9:00 am	Shankland Saturday - WPG
Sun, Sept 13	10:00 am	Contemporary Worship (one service)
	11:00 am	Church picnic

The network is WiFie0-5G with PW: love1another