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## FPC Meetings

- October 3 ..... 5:00 PM Spirit & Truth Worship
- October 5 ..... 5:00 PM Gatherers Group  
..... 5:30 PM CE/Outreach Meeting  
..... 6:00 PM Facilities Team Meeting
- October 6 ..... 6:00 PM Deacons Meeting
- October 7 ..... 6:00 PM Worship Team Meeting
- October 8 ..... 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry
- October 10 ..... 5:00 PM Spirit & Truth Worship
- October 12 ..... 5:30 PM Communications  
..... 6:30 PM Finance Ministry Team
- October 13 ..... 6:00 PM Personnel Team Meeting
- October 17 ..... 5:00 PM Spirit & Truth Worship
- October 19 ..... **CHIMES DEADLINE**
- October 21 ..... 3:15 PM Comfort My People
- October 24 ..... 5:00 PM Spirit & Truth Worship
- October 25 ..... 4-6 PM **Fall Carnival**
- October 27 ..... 6:30 PM Session

OCTOBER 2015

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## Trunk or Treat

Trunk -or- Treating, also called Halloween tailgating, is the latest twist to the ritual of door to door candy collecting. Trunk-or-treating brings Halloween from the uncertain streets to the safety of our church parking lot. **We need volunteers to decorate your trunk or tailgate with Halloween fun or any theme of your choice and bring some candy to hand out to the little ones.** As the kids leave our Fall Carnival we will have a parade for you to enjoy the kids costumes as well as the kids to enjoy some safe Halloween fun. Feel free to dress in costume yourself for the children to enjoy your costume as much as you enjoy theirs.

October 25th  
Fall Carnival 4-6 PM  
Trunk-or-treating 5:30 PM



Dr. Jimmy’s Spiritual Rx: “Every One is Loved and Needed!” Suggested Scripture(s): 1 Corinthians 12

“Where did the summer go?” many of us have asked since about the middle of September. And now the October edition of our monthly newsletter has been published and is in your hands! In addition to World Communion Sunday, stewardship, Sunday School, Bible studies, ministry team meetings, the Fall Carnival, Choir practice and other ministries that begin this time of year, you will also read about in this newsletter a call for volunteers to help write the devotionals for – that’s right – the Advent worship and devotional book for 2015! So in one sense, this is a call from your pastor requesting all disciples on deck! Everyone is needed to help us proclaim Christ; everyone has gifts, everyone is loved and valued and needed.

Let’s look at this truth another way; as these words are being written – still in September – my dad in San Antonio, Texas is recovering from a heart procedure done September 21. He is now at home, recovering, and doing better because the goal and hoped-for outcome of his procedure was successful – thanks be to God and to so many of you for your prayers. Over the years, I have had opportunities to see actual pictures – some live as a procedure is being done – of a patient’s heart before and after a finished and successful procedure. Incredible.

It reminds me again of how fearfully and wonderfully God has made us. So with information taken from a church newsletter in Texas in 2005 and from a December 10, 2014 devotional written for the publication, Our Daily Bread, let’s take a look at this incredible muscle called the heart: 1) Technically, the heart is a muscle, a reciprocal pump that circulates our blood through 60,000 miles of flexible tubing called arteries and veins – some an inch in diameter and others called capillaries so fine that it takes ten of them to equal the thickness of one human hair; 2) this organ is a self-regulating, timing device with built-in electrical sources fueled by bodily chemicals with timing accurate to within one fifty-thousandth of a second. . .

3) the heart can vary its output as needed from pumping five to twelve gallons a minute, which can equal a million and a-half gallons per year, and during one’s lifetime, that would be enough blood to fill the fuel tanks of 2,100 Boeing 747 passenger jets; 4) for the heart to do this, it must beat or pump approximately 100,00 times a day to provide blood which carries oxygen and nourishment to every cell in our bodies – this adds up to 35 million beats each year and 2.5 billion beats in an average lifetime; and 5) each beat or pump or contraction, medical science tells us, is similar to the effort of a person holding a tennis ball in his or her palm and giving it a good hard squeeze – again, 35 million times a year!

If I think about my own heart, it means my earthly life would have long been over if it were not for every single one of those 35 million heart beats in the past year. SO what does this have to do with the list above of all our church’s Fall activities and the statement that all of us are loved and important?

Here’s how: all of you together – young and old, with your time, treasure, and talents – make up the heart and every beat of ministry and life and proclamation for Christ from this church; and without every beat from each of you collectively as the heart of FPC, this church could not do what Christ has called it to do; that is why everyone is needed and vital to our

life and ministry. The source that enables the heartbeats of FPC is the Holy Spirit as sent by Christ to nourish, direct, lead, and empower. But each of you is needed – as the heart and lifeblood for ministry here in this time and place. Your pastor’s ministry is not what it is except for how each of you together make up the heart and life of this congregation. Christ needs you, your church needs you, your pastor needs you, your community needs you, the world needs you – for all of you together are the beating heart for this part of the body of Christ. How blessed I am to be your pastor and one among many beats of the heart of FPC, a church with a heart, in the heart of the city!

Christ’s love, Pastor Jimmy



This Food Pantry is a BLESSING . . . Thanks to you who donate, many families are being fed. We have found that there are quite a few new families requesting food because, when they get their check and pay their power bill and buy gas to get back and forth to work, they have no money left for food. Your donations of food are touching the lives of many people. The Deacons

wish to thank you for your generosity. Meats & Toiletries such as Bath Soap, Shampoo, Toilet Paper, Tooth Paste, Tooth Brushes, etc. are needed every week.

- October 4 . Canned Meats/Spaghetti/Sauce/Velveeta/Crackers/Soups
October 11 ..... Jelly/Boxed Meals/Fruit/Canned Meats/Soups/Jello
October 18 .... Cereals/Oatmeal/Jelly/Peanut Butter/Mac & Cheese
October 25 . Meats/Boxed Meals/Fruit/Crackers/Velveeta/Jelly

Circle Meetings

Thursday, October 8 ~ Rachel Circle will meet in the Boardroom at 9:30 am.

Tuesday, October 13 ~ Ruth Circle will meet on Tuesday, October 13, at 10:30 a.m. in the Lounge. A social hour will follow the lesson. All women are invited.

Thursday, October 22 ~ Lydia Circle will meet on Thursday, October 22, at 2 p.m., at the home of Mary Thompson, 123 Edwards. Virginia Stewart will have the devotions. Lois Stevenson will lead the study, Lesson 8, in the study guide, Reconciling Paul.

Greeters

- October 4 ..... Jim & Marj Gilliland
October 11 ..... Bob & Judy Iverson
October 18 ..... Nick & Pat de Place
October 25 ..... Steve Bowler

Chancel Guild

October ..... Captain; Bobbie McHone; Pat de Place; Claudia Ferrell

Meals on Wheels

- October 2 ..... Mary Hardy
October 9 ..... Nancy Boesdorfer & Joyce DeBoer
October 16 ..... OPEN
October 23 ..... OPEN

Coffee Hour

- October 4 ..... Pat de Place & Steve Bowler
October 11 ..... Steve Bowler & Nancy Boesdorfer
October 18 ..... Bob & Judy Iverson
October 25 ..... Mary Thompson & Bill Garrison

Cookies

- October 4 ..... Karen Schildt & Marj Gilliland
October 11 ..... Nancy Boesdorfer & Susie Townsley
October 18 ..... Judy Iverson & Lisa Taylor
October 25 ..... Lisa Cline

Flowers

- October 4 ..... In Memory of Thelma Laker’s birthday
October 11 ... In Honor of Becky France’s birthday
... In Honor of Jerry & Margaret Prideaux’s Ann.
October 18 In Honor of Jason & Anne Binette’s An
..... 5th Ann
..... In Memory of Monte Goodwin’s birthday
October 25 ..... OPEN

Flowers to shut-ins

- October 5-9 ..... Steve Bowler
October 12-16 ..... Steve Bowler
October 19-23 ..... OPEN
October 26-30 ..... OPEN

Liturgist

- October 4 ..... Rev. Pat Kuhs
October 11 ..... OPEN
October 18 ..... Lisa Taylor
October 25 ..... OPEN

Ushers ~ Team #1

Judy Laker, Captain; Kolby Riggler; Judy Iverson; Bob Iverson; Peggy Gibson; Rosie Newton; Bev Royce; Robert Crabb; Margaret Crabb; Stan Hardy; Mary Hardy; Scott Hardy; and Janice Kain.

FALL Office Hours ~ 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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**Remember in Prayer** *This Week's Prayer Needs:* Helen Bury; Debra Huckelby; Ashley Blankenship; Jeff James; Brittany Verhoven; Isabel Baxter (Hospice).

**Ongoing:** Simra Alam (2 years old); Diane Bales; Kay Barrett (Ruth Pancoast's sister-cancer); Wilma Barry; Jennifer Bender; Bill Black; Betty Brown; Mary Carter (friend of the Milners); Debbie Catron (Mary Hardy's friend-cancer); Richard Chapman (friend of Jim Gilliland); Roy Christison; Carlene Coddington (friend of Muriel Mullins); Doris Collins (Esther Williams' sister-broken shoulde); Linda Curtis; Wayne Dawes (friend of Lisa & Jay Cline-waiting for heart transplant); Mary Dison; Dr. Robert Elghammer; Scotty Geades; Ray Griffith; Harriet Hymer; Carol Ingram (cousin of George Milner); Dora Jameson (friend of Libby & George Milner); Mary Jane Johnson (Ruth Pancoast's sister; heart problem & liver transplant); Garnet Kanouff (Kelly Whitehair's sister-mastectomy surgery); Tom Kesler (Bob Kesler's son-cancer); Jane King; Deronda Kimberlin; David & Sue Laker (David is Stephen Laker's brother; caregiver of Sue-Alzheimer's); Phyllis Lawrence (cancer); Robbie Lewis; Dorothy Loving; Jim McHarry (friend of Judy Laker-heart infection/surgery); Alex McMahon (Eva Cornwell's neighbor-cancer); Roberta McNeill (Janet Martin's mother-in-law/Bob's mother); Monroe Melzer; Bob Miller (friend of Carol McLinden-cancer); George Milner; Jaxson Moles (Hurler's syndrome; great grandson of Nancy Jennings, grandson of Debbie Pruitt); Debbie Mullins; Nancy Orlea; Audrey Oswalt; Connie Kelly-Preston (Pastor Katie's aunt-esophageal cancer); Harriet Rauchbach; Catherine Ribbe; Colten Robertson (family of Lisa Cline-congenital heart disease); Jayne Robinson (Judy Laker's sister); Jake Ruder (brain tumor); Taylor Schendel (multiple sclerosis-friend of Harriet Hymer); Grover Seitzinger; Harlan Smith (advancing dementia); Barbara Todd (friend of Judy Laker); Julie Tyndall (daughter of Jackie Bean-cancer); Nancy Voss; Tom Wagner; Gary Waller; Nancy Walser; Nancy & Charles Winchester; Marjorie Young; Military Personnel.

**FPC Inquirer for the Ministry:** James Potts (McCormick Theological Seminary).

**FPC Candidate for the Ministry:** Rachel Riggle, M.Div.

**Seminary Students:** Mina Choi (Princeton Theological Seminary) and Cody Watson (Johnson University).



**Men's Fellowship continues meeting the First Saturday of Each Month**

Saturday, October 3 is the date to remember for this month's men's fellowship group that will be meeting again at Charlotte's on Ann Street near downtown. The time is 7:30 AM. Join us for coffee, visiting, and prayer and bring a friend.

**College Age Bible Study Group**

This group, unless otherwise announced, continues to meet at the church each Saturday at 6:30 PM for supper and Bible study. For more information, you may contact Youth Director Kelly Whitehair at: 274-5221.



**Food Pantry**

Many area residents continue to face tougher times with the higher price of gasoline, utilities, and groceries. The number of first-time referrals to our church's food pantry continues

to grow over the past two years. Please take note in the worship bulletin each week and in the "Chimes" each month about particular items that are needed and feel free to also bring additional items whenever you can. Thank you for your continued assistance and care.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

- Wilma Barry ..... October 1
- Linda Curtis ..... October 1
- Wilma Thomas ..... October 1
- Yvonne Tarr ..... October 2
- Katie Torrey ..... October 2
- Carol Douglas ..... October 2
- Jim Gilliland ..... October 3
- Bob Martin ..... October 4
- Becky Clawson ..... October 4
- Marjorie Gilliland ..... October 9
- Jane King ..... October 11
- Merle Cramer ..... October 12
- Jim DeBoer ..... October 13
- Dick Burch ..... October 14
- Larissa Calton ..... October 15
- Susan Garrison ..... October 18
- Chase Connelly ..... October 19
- Becky France ..... October 19
- Helen Strough ..... October 20
- Linda Anderson ..... October 26
- Debra Tucker ..... October 27

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

- Anne & Jason Binette ..... October 23
- Jim & Marjorie Gilliland ..... October 30



**Our Fall Sunday Schedule Is:**

- Worship: ..... 9:15 AM
- Coffee Hour: ..... 10:30 AM
- Contemporary Christian Studies (CCS) ..... 11:00 AM
- Worship (Saturday) ..... 5:00 PM



**FAITH LINE -- 444-5999 -- A Voice of Inspiration available 24 Hours**

**Campbell Soup Bar Codes**



As the Fall weather creeps in and the days and evenings are cooling down, please remember as you make that hot bowl of soup and a sandwich, to save the bar codes from the labels and bring them in.



**October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

The womens' shelter at Crosspoint at the Y on Hazel Street in Danville often has candle vigils in recognition. Likely, there will be more information forthcoming from other nonprofits. Please hold those families who suffer the reality of abuse close in prayer.

**Thank you - Comfort My People Committee**



**Mental Illness Awareness Week**

**October 5th - 11th**

1 in 4 people live with a mental illness.

**Speak out and end the stigma!**

**Primetimers**

The Primetimers event for October will be a trip to the Covered Bridge Festival in Rockville on Friday, October 16. We will leave the church at 9:00 A. M. We will spend some time in Rockville and then stop at the Covered Bridge Restaurant on our way home. They have great pie. Please let Judy Iverson or the church office know if you plan to attend.

**Weekly Bible Study with Pastor Jimmy has Resumed!**

On Sunday evenings beginning at 5:30 PM, the weekly mid-high youth group and adult Bible study meetings gather for a light supper then Pastor Jimmy meets with the adults for Bible study. The adult Bible study is also repeated on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM in the church board room.

The theme for the adult Bible study this Fall is entitled, "The Mighty Acts of God," based on the book with the same title by late author and seminary professor Arnold Rhodes.

**Memorials**

**Margaret Ward** – Kirk Bott; Joanne Chacon; Linda Curtis  
**Charles Thompson** – Mary Thompson



"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you,"  
~Philippians 1:3~



October is Pastor Appreciation Month

**First Sunday in October  
World Communion Sunday and  
Peacemaking Offering Received**

The first Sunday in October - which this year is October 4 - is the Sunday we celebrate communion with the whole Christian world. Communion will again be served in the four corners of the sanctuary to symbolize the diversity of our geography and God's children throughout the world - east, west, north, and south. Communion will also be served in the Saturday evening Spirit and Truth service October 3 at 5:00 PM in the chapel. Consider this your invitation from Jesus Christ to attend this very special "dinner" being given in his honor.

The Session has again approved the receipt of the PCUSA annual Peace & Global Witness Offering. The Presbyterian Peace & Global Witness Offering supports efforts of Presbyterians at local, regional, national, and international levels to bring "leaves of healing" of Christ's peace. The offering is received on World Communion Sunday in recognition that God's healing is offered to all people of all nations and that in taking the bread and cup of Communion we are united in Christ with one another in the work of healing.

Detailed information about the use of the offering is available on the PCUSA web site and in the church office. There will also be a bulletin insert in worship. And, during the last hymn on that day, worshipers can use the Peace & Global Witness Offering envelopes that will also be in the bulletin. Twenty-five percent of the received offering is kept by the church which will be used for our Deacons' ministries. If you wish for all of your extra offering on this Sunday to be for only the Deacons, you can give your offering without using the Peacemaking offering envelope.

A 10 year old little girl was asked by another classmate, "what is it like to be a Christian?". The girl replied, "it's like being a pumpkin. God picks you from the patch, brings you in, and washes all the dirt off of you. Then he cuts open the top and scoops out all of the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate, greed, etc., and then He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside of you to shine for all the world to see."

**CHURCH YOUTH CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER**

- **Saturday, October 3, 5:00 PM** – Spirit and Truth worship service - Chapel  
6:00 PM – Bible Study on Acts and light supper
- **Sunday, October 4, 5:30 PM** – Meet for pizza and then Bible study  
6:00 PM – Bible Study on Acts and Auto Safety/Stan Hardy
- **Saturday, October 10, 5:00 PM** – Spirit and Truth worship service - Chapel  
6:00 PM – Bible Study
- **Sunday, October 11, 5:30 PM** – Same as Sunday evening, October 4
- **Wednesday, October 14, 4:30 PM** – Sewing Class with Rosie Newton
- **Saturday, October 17, 5:00 PM** – Spirit and Truth Worship Service – Chapel  
6:00 PM – College Group Movie Night at Retreat
- **Sunday, October 18, 5:30 PM** – Meet for pizza, fall carnival planning, and other activities
- **Wednesday, October 21, 4:30 PM** – Sewing Class with Rosie Newton
- **Saturday, October 24, 5:00 PM** – Spirit and Truth Worship Service – Chapel  
6:00 PM – Youth/College groups decorate for Fall Carnival
- **Sunday, October 25, 3:45 PM** – Meet in church gym in costume for Fall Carnival



**Ministry Opportunities**  
(Please call the church office or speak with Pastor Jimmy if interested)

- 1) **Witness Ministry Team** – needs more members – welcome back Karen Schildt as our Team Chair, but we need additional members; Witness meets the first Monday of the month at 6:00 PM so if interested in being on Witness Team, please attend its October meeting on Monday, October 6, 6:00 PM
- 2) **Sound/Video Board Operators for the Sanctuary** – to set up a rotating schedule of responsibility for this task – easily trainable and doable and Sundays will be shared with Steve Faulkner, who has been doing this task each Sunday for over a year.
- 3) **Adventures in Worship** – is always seeking to welcome to participants to share ideas and plan the weekly Spirit and Truth worship service which will begin its new worship time and day on Saturday, September 13, at 5:00 PM.
- 4) **Van Driver** – need an fill-in van driver on Sunday mornings to give Greg Hoss an occasional break.

**Stewardship Theme for 2015**

Gatherers' group has chosen as our stewardship Fall and year-long theme for this year, **Living Generously**, based on material and resources from The Reimagine Group. Churches from 45 different denominations, etc. are using this ministry's resources, coaching, and materials.

Be watching your USPS mail for an introductory letter and schedule for the five Saturdays/Sundays later this Fall in which worship will include special sermons and videos; there may also be internet communications as well. Please be in prayer as you discern God's direction for our giving for the church's life and ministry in 2016.

**Shining Stars**

- September 27 . . . . . Fall Extravaganza
- October 18 . . . . . Painting Pumpkins
- November 15 . . . . . Scavenger Hunt
- December 20 . . . . . Holiday Happening
- January 17 . . . . . First Pres Olympics!
- February 21 . . . . . Happy Hearts!
- March 20 . . . . . Green Galore!
- April 17 . . . . . Pictionary Fun
- May 14 (Saturday) . . Children's Museum or Zoo, Indianapolis (time to be announced)

**Shining Stars**, our youngest youth group at First Presbyterian Church, is for children in 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> grades. It meets on Sunday except for May when we meet on Saturday for a trip to Indianapolis.  
Time: 10:30 – 11:30 AM  
Activities are held in the church unless otherwise noted. Questions . . . contact Nancy Boesdorfer (443-5751).



**Christmas in October?(again ☺)**

Worship Ministry Team is again seeking this year volunteers to help write devotionals for the special church advent devotional and worship book that will be published and made available in late November prior to the beginning of Advent. It will again include suggestions for family advent wreath devotionals, daily devotionals from the first Sunday of Advent through December 25, and the order of worship for all of the Sundays in Advent and Christmas Eve. *A new addition is an invitation for church members to submit memories of special family Christmas traditions in the present or in years past and/or recipes of special Christmas treats or dishes.* Please check out the list of Scriptures and days in Advent to choose from in the church lounge or contact Pastor Jimmy who will also have the list of Scriptures on which to base the devotionals – the theme for the Advent book this year is, “Mary, Did You Know?” based on a new Christmas song written in recent years with the same title. Each devotional should be about 110 words, or less, and should be turned in to the church office by November 2.

**Fall Carnival**



Sunday afternoon October 25<sup>th</sup> we will have our annual Fall Carnival. From 4 to 6 pm we will gather in the gym to play games and enjoy cupcake walks and hay rides. Every player wins religious or fall-themed prizes and the carnival will again conclude with children going to the parking lot for “trunk or treat” provided by some of our church members so children will have candy to take home as well! Children are encouraged to wear costumes, but nothing scary please. Those willing to help are needed for chaperones and to help with all the games and provide for trunk or treat. And as always, we will enjoy Pastor Jimmy’s world famous(?) cotton candy! Come join this fun outreach to our community. Invitations will also be available to hand out in our neighborhoods – they can be obtained from the church office. Or, let the church office know if you can help hand out the invitations in the immediate neighborhood of the church.

**Home Communion**

With World Communion Sunday in October, the Pastor will also be delivering communion to our home bound and nursing home resident members. As of this writing, dates are still being scheduled. If you would like to have home communion or know of someone who would, please contact the church office.

**Pastor Jimmy’s Weekly Newspaper Thoughts Broadcast on Radio**

Since September of last year, Pastor Jimmy’s weekly newspaper articles as published in the Danville Commercial News which so many of us enjoy are also being broadcasted on radio WITY as an “audio article” – Pastor Jimmy’s wording – on Saturday’s or Sunday’s each weekend.

**Pastor Jimmy’s Travels for October**

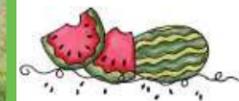
- **Thursday, October 8** – Jimmy will be at FPC in Urbana for the Salt Fork Region gathering of the Presbytery; he will be back in Danville that same afternoon;
- **Friday, October 16 – Friday, October 23** – Pastor Jimmy will be going to Pennsylvania earlier than usual this month so he can travel with Katie to the Wee Kirk Conference in Montreat, NC. There will be a guest preacher for Saturday evening, October 17 and Sunday, morning, October 18 – The Rev. Christopher Easton – who has preached for us before and is a Chaplain at the Danville State Prison and Presence United Samaritans Medical Center. Pastor Jimmy will return to Danville October 23 and resume preaching duties Saturday/Sunday October 24/25 and be back in the office Monday, October 26.

**Southeastern Illinois Presbytery Women**

Southeastern Illinois Presbytery Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering is Saturday, October 3, 2015 at First Presbyterian Church, 201 N. Chesnut, Shelbyville, IL. 217-774-3628  
**10:00 AM** – Welcome & Worship - Rev. Rachel Hedgeson; Global Exchange to the Caribbean - Bevin Snyder; Highlights from the PW World Wide Gathering. Lunch is \$7.00. Crafts from Simply Fair - Coins for Hunger - New Bible Study. Come to the Waters - Debbie Mulch. Teaching a Year at Hand in Hand in Jerusalem - Kathy Neubert. Blessings in a Backpack - Jamie Waldhoff. Necrology & Thank Offering Dedications - Elsie Carter. Installation of Secretary. Pray for our Gathering & for new encouragers & officers.



**First Presbyterian Church Picnic 2015**



General Fund		
Income & Expense MTD – August 2015		
<b>Beginning Balance:</b>	\$10998.87	<b>\$10998.87</b>
*Current Income:	\$15626.55	
**Fund Transfers:	\$20000.00	
<b>Total Income &amp; Transfer:</b>		<b><u>\$35626.55</u></b>
<b>Total General fund checking</b>		<b><u>\$46625.42</u></b>
<b>Total General fund Expences</b>	\$(25361.11)	<b><u>\$(25361.11)</u></b>
<b>Balance Forward:</b>	\$21264.31	<b>\$21264.31</b>

\*Current Income refers to money received during the month from pledges, loose offering, rents income from outside trusts and misc. donations.  
 \*\*Fund Transfers refers to budgeted money from the Endowment from earnings and allowable principle. This money is transferred only as needed, approximately quarterly during the year.

