



FPC This Week

This is the message we have heard from Him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all. 1 John 1:5

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

This Sunday, February 9:

Sexton-Brian Petit

Coffee Hour: Inner Life

Nursery- Deidra Ricci and Karyn Straka

Young Children's Worship-

Mikyong Kim

Hospitality- Tim and Stacie

Schultz, Judy Graves, Mike Franco,

Charlotte Ricci, Don Fennessey,

Dave Kolator

Communion- Dick and Judy

Hoogendoorn

Last Sunday, February 2:

Sexton-Don Fennessey

Coffee Hour-Inner Life

Nursery-Deidra Ricci and Deb

MacDowell

Young Children's Worship-Kris

Aleicho

Hospitality-Ross Family, Brian and

Darien Petit, Robert and Christine

Sahms, John Wicks

Don't forget to bring your favorite game to share!



FAMILY FUN AND GAME NIGHT

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

5:30pm at FPC

Come for a fun evening of pizza, games for the adults, and plenty of play time for the kids! Bring a salad, dessert or drinks to go with the pizza.

Please contact Barbara Ross to find out what to bring,

barb.ross1015@yahoo.com or

904-742-9626.

Sound booth training for the future!



SAVE THE DATES!

● Congregational Meeting is Sunday, February 16



● Daylight Saving Time begins March 8 (Spring forward an hour!)



● Palm Sunday is April 5

● Easter Sunday is April 12

Preparing Our Kids for Membership and Communion: Communicant Class Begins February 9

The word “communicant” is a very old word that simply means “to share with”. Basically, this class helps our young people get ready to take The Lord’s Supper and to become “*communing members*” of First Presbyterian Church, which means they will be able to share in the life of the church as professing members. But so much more than that, it helps to confirm their profession of faith, give them assurance of their standing in God’s grace, and give their church family opportunity to rejoice with them in God’s work in their lives.

Beginning Sunday, February 9, 2020 through Palm Sunday, from 9:30 am to 10:15 am, instead of a regular Sunday School class, Pastor Herring and Rosanne Franco will be preparing our fourth through ninth graders for this by studying the Westminster Shorter Catechism. On Palm Sunday, those students who would like to join the First Presbyterian Church as members will meet with the Elders. Following this time, they will join the church during the worship service. Joining the church is not required to participate, but we believe this class will benefit all those who take part. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Herring or the Christian Education Elders Mikyong Kim and Daryl Kolator.



TWO NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES BEGAN FEBRUARY 2. NEVER TOO LATE TO JOIN IN!

A discussion-based Bible study of 1 John, parallels Pastor Mike’s sermon series, facilitated by John Wicks.

Where: The Lynch Room, 2nd floor above the Fellowship Hall (look for the sign on the stairs)

A Bible study on the book of Philippians, followed by a study of Ephesians, led by Don Estes.

Where: The Hometime Room, main level off of the Fellowship Hall

When: Sunday School begins at 9:15

I JOHN
LIVE IN THE LIGHT



Adult Bible Studies

For FPC Men:

Men’s Bible Study is studying Hebrews. They meet on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 6:30pm in the Hometime Room.

Promise Keepers meet for optional breakfast at Chelsea’s, 1015 Aquidneck Ave at 7:00 Saturday mornings, followed by a time of Bible study, discussion and prayer in the Hometime room at 8:00am Contact Don Fennessey at fenns@hotmail.com

For Women:

Christ in You: A Study on Colossians Mondays 6pm at the Kolator home’ Contact Alice Thomas @ thomasesar@aol.com for more info.

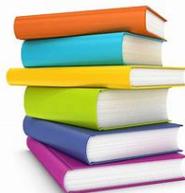
For All: The Friday night group meets the second and fourth Friday of the month, rotating at members' homes. We are studying Genesis. Contact Tim Schultz @ 919-699-7576.

Barbara Ross is hosting a reading challenge beginning now and running through the third Friday in February! If your kids read 5 books from the church library, they will be awarded a small prize.

If you have any questions or want to share your kids progress, Barbara would love to hear from you:

barb.ross1015@yahoo.com or 904-742-9626.

Let’s make this a fun event! We look forward to hearing about it this month!



**SHARE YOUR HEART
IN FEBRUARY:
SIGN UP
FOR FELLOWSHIP TIME!**

February is one of the best months of the year to share your recipes and celebrate the love of God. Pair up with a friend or better yet, someone you'd like to get to know better! You can sign up in the Fellowship Hall, where there are more detailed instructions on how to serve during this important time to connect with new and familiar faces on Sunday morning. Questions? Contact Tim Schultz at 919-699-7576.



Did you know that our Facebook page averages almost 1000 views a month? The more you "like" and "share" FPC's posts, the more views our Facebook page gets. The more views it gets, the more it shows up in people's feeds. You can also "check in" to FPC's location on Sunday morning, mark that you are attending events, and post positive reviews about the church, all of which help us reach our community and beyond. If you would like more info, please contact Irene Herring at irene@fpcnewport.org. She'd love to show you how.

Social Media

Our Facebook page (facebook.com/fpcnewport) is updated several times a week with current information and spiritual encouragement.



Find us through Instagram at [fpcnewport](https://www.instagram.com/fpcnewport).



Church Office Hours
M-Wed, 9am - 1pm
401-847-1749



Please Pray:

- For our young people, as they begin the communicant class, and for our new Sunday School classes, that God's Word would be understood with clarity and applied in truth.
- Please continue to pray for Barbara Estes, as she recovers from knee replacement surgery.
- Praise that Charlotte Ricci's ankle is healing!
- For our military and their families, stateside and deployed overseas.**
- For our pastor, elders, deacons, staff, musicians and volunteers.
- For Dick and Cindy Price** as Dick continues to recover from his 2nd stem cell transplant. For updates, contact Deidra Ricci at pamperdee@cox.net

If you have a prayer request that you would like to be added to the ENews, please send it to irene@fpcnewport.org. Your prayer care and needs are of the highest importance!

Sarah Beck Hill Scholarship News

Ralph Hill's 1989 will bequeathed a generous sum of money in honor of his mother to the church in trust as a scholarship fund to be used for students attending the University of Rhode Island (URI). By the terms of the will, each scholarship is for four years. Established in 1991, the trust is overseen by a Board of Trustees, composed of two elders and five members of the congregation. Now in its twenty-ninth year, the Sarah Beck Hill Memorial Scholarship Trust has provided \$437,750 in scholarship grants since its establishment. The Board of Trustees met recently and approved 2020 Spring term grants for Lauren Aleicho, Abbey Bloom, Katie Connolly, Phoebe McCaffrey, and Christopher Straka. Congratulations to each of them!

The Board is now receiving applications from new students for the upcoming school year. Contact Ralph Thomas (401-848-2719/thomasesar@aol.com) for information on the application process.

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