



January 18, 2024

This Week at FPC

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure." Hebrews 6:19

Worship: January 14

*"Behold, the nations are like a drop
from a bucket,
and are accounted as the dust on
the scales"*

Isaiah 40:15 ESV

Citizenship in the Nation

This week Pastor Jeff Hutchinson's sermon series from Matthew 5:1-16 highlighted our American citizenship as we are also residents of a heavenly kingdom. Our challenge is to learn from Jesus the way to live in but not of this world.

As a church, we are called to be salt and light. How can we do this?

- By challenging injustices
- By being clear on the evil of political violence
- By being an example of unity on Biblical truths
- By modeling gratitude and humility
- By letting Jesus be the guide for our morality and character



Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 21, 2024

All are invited to join us this Sunday as we enjoy lunch together, review the events of 2023 and anticipate the challenges and opportunities that God will lead us to in the coming year.



Be Involved...

Evensong meets on Sundays at 6 p.m. on Zoom for worship with songs, scripture, and fellowship. If you are interested in attending please email Brian Ross at mm9616b@gmail.com for the link.

Music Notes

Love to sing? Join the choir! The choir meets in the choir loft at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays and Sundays at 10 a.m. to warm up before the service. Contact Angel at music@fpcnewport.org for more info.

Sunday Flowers

If you would like to contribute financially to the flowers that beautify our sanctuary each Sunday, please phone or text Emily Holley at 408-668-4977. Emily and Bunny Miller are coordinating the weekly flower arrangements. Flowers can be designated in memory or honor of someone or in celebration of a special event.



Have news to share?

Send it to secretary@fpcnewport.org. Include dates, times, details, and contact information.



Pastor Jeff and Troy visiting members at home and sharing of the Lord's Supper.



"Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve."

1 Peter 5:2

Pray...

...for our church as we rely on our faith in God's plan for all of us and reach out to those around us.

...for our nation and its leaders, for our first responders and for all those who serve our nation in dangerous parts of the world.

...for spoken and unspoken needs in our church family: for health and healing, comfort in grief or hardship, and in praise for answered prayers and God's omnipresence. As you pray, remember these and many others in our church family and beyond.

- Mark Bland (Sean's father)
- Les Bloom
- Janet Champagne
- Lynn Chase
- Marcia Clark
- Becky Farwick and family
- Nadira Ferreira's father John and daughter Melissa
- Bonnie Haun
- Bonnie's brother Mike
- Troy Hutchinson's mother
- Ray Janssen
- Bruce and Jan Jones
- Johnny and Julie Lairsey's granddaughter "B"
- Jamie Landsman
- Ida Lash (Stacie's mom)
- Peggy Leino Hicks
- Ken Scigulinsky
- Rob Silvia
- Lilia Svizzero Merrill and daughter Dana
- Ralph and Alice Thomas
- Roger Ward's mother Shirley and sister Heather

Serve...

Sunday Morning Greeters

We're looking to add more friendly faces to our greeter team. Simply arrive 15 minutes early to the worship service to say "Good morning!" and "Welcome!" to all those who come through our doors. Talk to Julie Ward on Sunday mornings, or contact the church office if you're interested.

Nursery Helpers

Our nursery program is looking for more volunteers to ensure we can staff the room with two adults every Sunday. Sign up in the nursery room and indicate if you can help with a specific week or if you want to be included on the list of people who'd like to volunteer going forward.

Learn...

Sunday School – 9:15-10:15 a.m.

- Elementary school age students meet in the sanctuary to sing, then have a lesson with Cindy Wilson in the room off the nursery.
- Middle Schoolers meet with Dave Kolator in the Resource Room for a study on John.
- Adults are continuing through the Psalms with sessions led by Sean Bland and Chip Wilson.

The **Women's Bible Study** meets in person on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. in the Hometime Room or on Thursdays at 2 p.m. on Zoom.



Back by popular demand! The first FPC Game Night of 2024 will be on Friday, February 16 at 5:30 p.m. at the church. This is a family-friendly-pizza-packed-fun-fellowship evening. Join us to play or just observe!

Mark your calendar for the rest of 2024:
May 17
August 16
November 15



When you can't be at church, view our livestream worship service through Facebook or our web site, fpcnewport.org. Be sure to subscribe for easier access. This QR code will take you directly to our website.

Buildings and Grounds

More Parking!

The parking lot of the former Dunkin Donuts at the corner of Everett and Broadway is once again available for parking on Sunday mornings.

Handicapped Parking Spots

Now that more parking is available across Everett Street we ask that the spots in the parking lot be reserved for those with limited abilities.

THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 18

9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Church office open
2 p.m. Women's Bible Study (Zoom)

Saturday, January 20

7 a.m. Promise Keepers Breakfast

Sunday, January 21

9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Pre-worship Prayer
10:30 a.m. Worship service
(nursery care available)
11:45 a.m. Annual Meeting
6:00 p.m. Evensong (Zoom)

Monday, January 22

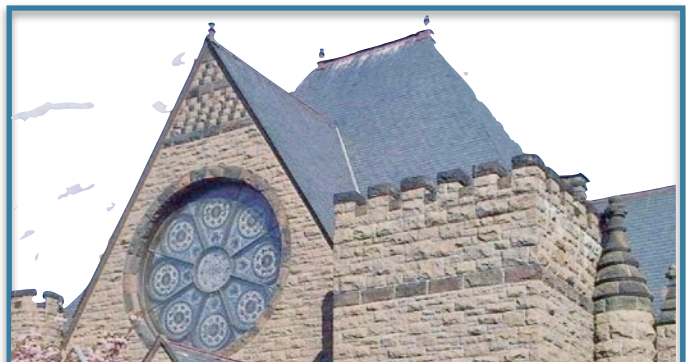
7 p.m. 20s & 30s Small Group

Tuesday, January 23

10 a.m. Women's Bible Study (at FPC)
6:30 p.m. Deacons

Wednesday, January 24

6:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal



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Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

