



August 15, 2024

This Week at FPC

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

Worship: August 11

“I am the Lord your God; consecrate yourselves and be holy, because I am holy.”

Leviticus 11:44

God is Wholly Holy

This week Sean preached from Leviticus 11:44, and we saw how God is Holy. God being holy means He is majestic, glorious, and not only free from sin and evil but cannot be near sin. So how can He be present with us? By His grace, He makes us holy in Christ when we receive Him by faith, and He 'Progressively sanctifies' us (makes us holy bit-by-bit) over the course of our lives.

A Few Odds and Couple of Ends

Pastor Sean often has more to share with us than he is able to fit in his sermon. Here he shares “a few odds and couple ends” for our further understanding and contemplation.

Some Christians believe in 'Christian Perfectionism.' This view states that we can become fully perfect and holy in this life, and in fact should strive for it. But even the greatest Christians in the Bible struggle with sin their entire earthly lives, and we should expect no different. We will be free from sin some day, but that day will come when God makes all things new.



The puzzle is complete!

Sunday's flowers were lovingly given by anonymous donors.

Lay Leader: Daryl Kolator

Guest Musician: Lois Vaughn

Soup Kitchen Report

On Wednesday, August 7, we served bag meals planned by Julie Ward. We served 30 guests and gave out 40 meals consisting of turkey sandwiches, chips, mixed fruit cups, granola bars, chocolate chip cookies, fruit chews and fruit drinks. The meals were prepared by Julie Lairsey, Regina Skudera, Terry Tefft, Alice Hand, Linda Conheeny, and Coleen Spencer. Guests were greeted and given meals by Mike Ricci, Paul Cabral, Jerry Spencer, Julie Ward and Coleen Spencer. The guests were thankful for the bag meals and are looking forward to having a sit down meal next month.

Share Your Testimony

Each of us has a unique story of how God has called us unto Himself and come into our hearts and lives as Lord and Savior. Our personal testimonies bear powerful witness to the glory and grace of God. Would you like to share a testimony of God's work in your life with the congregation on a Sunday morning? If so, write it out and edit it such that you can tell your story in five minutes or less. Decide on three possible dates and contact Deidra Ricci at pamperedee@aol.com to schedule.



Learn and Grow...

Adult Sunday School

Join in on a study of Proverbs in the Hometime Room at 9:15 a.m.

Young Adult Small Group

All young adults, single and married, are invited to this time of Bible study and fellowship. The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays. Speak with Brian Fennessey or reach out to the church office for more information.

Women's Bible Study

Groups meet on Tuesday at 10 a.m. in person or on Thursday at 2 p.m. on Zoom. The new study is on Hebrews. Please reach out to Deidra Ricci at Pamperedee@aol.com or 401-447-3833 for more information.

Evensong meets on Sundays at 6 p.m. on Zoom for worship with songs, scripture, and fellowship. Email Brian Ross at mm9616b@gmail.com for the link.

MomCo Starts September 3

MomCo is a place for moms to gather and support one another through the motherhood journey. The group will be a blend of bible study, fellowship and outreach, meeting on the first Tuesday of the month with some additional family fellowship times sprinkled in. If you are interested in learning more, please email fpcnmomco@gmail.com.

"You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus."

2 Timothy 2:1



Pray...

...for our pastor. Pray that your pastor will not give in to discouragement but will deal with inevitable criticism and conflict by committing himself into the hands of God, who judges righteously (1 Pet. 2:23).

...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:

- Janet Champagne
- Lynn Chase
- Traci Dalton and family
- Becky Farwick and family
- Bonnie Haun
- Melissa Ferreira
- Hollyn
- Bruce and Jan Jones
- Ida Lash
- Richard Price
- Stacey Ruff
- Ken Scigulinsky
- Diane Sommerset
- Family of Carol Smith
- Lilia Svizzero Merrill and daughter Dana
- Ralph and Alice Thomas
- Roger Ward's sister Heather
- Robert White
- The church neighborhood

Prayer Request from Pastor Jeff Hutchinson:

Odile Mukiza is a sister in Christ and member of the House of Mercy church plant. She graduated this past May from Yale University's Jackson School of Global Affairs and returned to her home in Kigali, Rwanda. Odile was recently injured when a heavy glass door fell on her. The weight of the door broke her spinal cord. It has been repaired surgically but at this point, she is paralyzed from the waist down. Jeff Hutchinson has spoken with her by phone and reports she is in good spirits and very grateful for any prayers as she said to him, "Every prayer makes a difference!"



To Set Up:

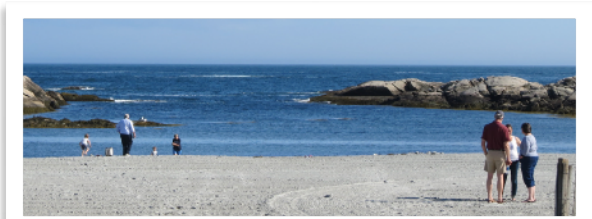
1. Arrive at 5:30 & enter through the basement's dining hall.
2. If you desire, bring an appetizer, salad or dessert to share (pizza will be provided).

How To Play:

1. Commence in fellowship with friends old and new.
2. Eat the delicious food available.
3. Play a variety of games - card games, board games, word games. Games requiring skill or those which are light and fun.

How To Win:

All will be winners, returning home having had a relaxing and entertaining night! Please see or call Barbara Ross with any questions at 904-742-9626.



*Annual Picnic and
130th Anniversary Celebration!*

Bring the family and enjoy the sand, rocks, ocean, great view, comfortable indoor shelter and facilities, fabulous food, fun and fellowship!

When: Sunday, September 8, 2024, 4 - 7 p.m.

Where: Gooseberry Beach

We'll supply hot dogs and hamburgers with all the trimmings, and water. If you wish, bring a picnic side dish, salad, snacks to share, and juice or soda if you prefer it. (Put your name on the bottom of your dish so we can return it if it is left behind.)



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.

THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Thursday, August 15

- 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. *Pastor office hours*
- 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. *Church office open*
- 2 p.m. *Women's Bible Study (Zoom)*

Friday, August 16

- 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. *Church office open*
- 5:30 p.m. *Game Night*

Saturday, August 17

- 7 a.m. *Promise Keepers Breakfast*

Sunday, August 18

- 9:15 a.m. *Adult Sunday School*
- 10 a.m. *Pre-worship Prayer*
- 10:30 a.m. *Worship Service with Nursery*
- 11:30 a.m. *Fellowship Time*
- 6 p.m. *Evensong (Zoom)*

Monday, August 19

- 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. *Pastor office hours (by appt. only)*
- 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. *Church office open*

Tuesday, August 20

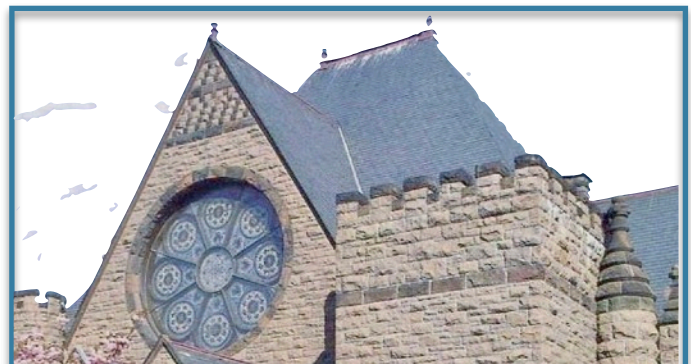
- 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. *Church office open*
- 10 a.m. *Women's Bible Study*
- 7 p.m. *Session Meeting*

Wednesday, August 21

- 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. *Church office open*



Saturday, October 12 – Church Retreat at Camp Canonicus in Exeter, RI.



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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

