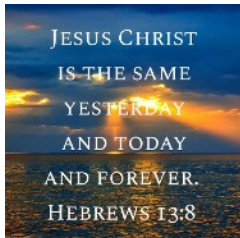


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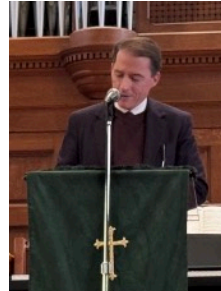
This Week at FPC

Worship: January 12



In the Nick of Time

This week, Tim Schultz shared a message from Hebrews 13:8. God is with us in the present 'nick of time', has been with us in the past and will be with us in the future.



Elder and Deacon Installations This Sunday

On Sunday, January 19 we will ordain and/or install the following to new roles or continued appointments as elders or deacons:

Session: Brian Fennessey, Janice Kinder and Deidra Ricci

Deacons: Julie Ward, Nancy Browne, Linda Conheeny and Daryl Kolator



Thanks to the generosity of the FPC congregation, the Deacons were able to donate \$500 to the Martin Luther King Community Center to purchase food for their hunger services program. This program

includes an on-site food pantry, a mobile food pantry, and a delivery to home bound neighbors and people who are otherwise unable to come to the food pantry.

FPC Deacons Point Persons

The FPC Deacons are the hands and feet of Jesus to members and friends in the community. At a recent meeting, Deacons were appointed as "Point Persons" for each ministry as identified below:

Birthday and Anniversary Greeting Cards – *Deb MacDowell, Kristen Aleicho*

Food Pantry (shopping each month for food donated to St. Joseph's Food Pantry) – *Nancy Burgess*

Family Life (requests for assistance either financial or otherwise from either people in our congregation or others) – *Jamie Landsman, Julie Ward*

Grief Ministry (supportive information for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one) – *Nancy Browne*

Hospitality (receptions for funerals or other occasions) – *Nancy Burgess*

Inner Life Committee (serve on the Session Committee) – *Judy Sweeney*

Sanctuary Pew Pockets (making sure the pew pockets are supplied) – *Linda Conheeny, Kristen Aleicho*

Soup Kitchen – *Julie Ward*

Off Broadway Neighborhood Association (attends monthly meetings to see how our church can assist in our neighborhood) – *Judy Sweeney*

Officers: **Treasurer** – *Julie Ward*; **Secretary** – *Jamie Landsman*; **Vice Moderator** – *Deb MacDowell*; **Moderator** – *Daryl Kolator*

If anyone has questions or would like to assist in any of these ministries, please contact the appropriate point person or email deacons@fpcnewport.org.

“for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.”

1 John 5:4

Pray...

...for our pastor. Pray for joy, peace, and victory in ministry in spite of difficulties, pressures, circumstances and people. (Phil. 4:6-6, 2 Cor. 1:9-13)

...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
- Family of Larry Chase
- Roland and Ruth Ann Chase
- Traci Dalton
- Family of Becky Farwick
- Bonnie Haun
- Dick and Margaret Falb
- Melissa Ferreira
- Ellie Green and family
- Bruce and Jan Jones
- Ida Lash
- Peggy Leino
- Odile Mukiza
- Beverly Pascoal
- Brian Petit
- Stacey Ruff
- Ken Scigulinsky
- Diane Sommerset
- Lilia Svizzero Merrill and daughter Dana
- Ralph and Alice Thomas
- Phil Thow
- Roger Ward's sister Heather
- Robert White
- The church neighborhood



Attention FPC Men

Save the date! You are invited to breakfast in the church dining room at 8:30 on Saturday, January 25. We will kick off 2025 with fellowship, pancakes, eggs and meat! Pastor Sean will present his vision for men's ministry for next year, and we will enjoy a presentation by Thomas McMillan from Iron Sharpens Iron. Contact Don Fennessey at 401-855-6716 or fenns@hotmail.com if you plan to be hungry that day!

Women's Bible Study

A new women's Bible study will be offered in February. "The God of His Word" is a 6-week video Bible study that explores some of the names for God used in scripture and what they say about his nature and character. It will be available in person at FPC on Tuesdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. or by Zoom on Thursdays from 2 to 3:30 p.m. If you would like to attend or have any questions, please contact Deidra Ricci at Pamperedee@aol.com. Study guides will be ordered by mid-January.



Holy Communion

In January, communion will be on the third Sunday of the month, January 19. In February, communion will be on the second Sunday of the month, February 9.

MomCo

MomCo meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the church. The group has started to discuss the topic of "Endurance" in our Wild Hope Theme. From moms-to-be to veteran moms of teenagers, come join the FPC mamas as we gather and support each other through this season of life! For additional information please contact Rachel Nerheim at fpcnmomco@gmail.com.



Call for Sextons

Volunteers are needed to help prepare the FPC facilities for worship and special services. Flexible schedule and exciting chance to become part of the FPC ethos. Not required to be quirky or nuts, but the ability to lurk among the shadows is a plus. Please talk to Roger Ward if interested!

Learn and Grow...

Sunday School/Childcare for Infants, Toddlers, Pre-school and Lower Elementary:

- Childcare is provided from 9:15-10:30 a.m. in the nursery rooms.
- During the service childcare for infants and toddlers is provided in the nursery room.
- Instruction for pre-school and lower elementary children will follow the children's message in the room off the main nursery room.

Sunday School

- Upper Elementary/Middle School with Dave Kolator: Meets in the Resource Room
- Grade 9-12 with Dan Yates-Berg: Meets in the Lynch Room
- Adults: Meet in the Hometime Room

Young Adult Small Group

Young adults (20s and 30s+), single and married, meet on the second Thursday of each month for a time of Bible study and fellowship. Contact Rachel Schulz at rachelschulz23@gmail.com.

Women's Bible Study

Groups meet on Tuesday at 10 a.m. in person or on Thursday at 2 p.m. on Zoom. Contact Deidra Ricci at Pamperedee@aol.com or 401-447-3833 for more info.

Small Group Bible Study

This group meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays at 7 p.m. at rotating homes of the members. Contact Daryl Kolator at dakolator@gmail.com.

Evensong

Join us Sundays at 6 p.m. on Zoom for worship with songs, scripture, and fellowship. Contact Cindy Wilson or Kendra Fleming (adminassistant@fpcnewport.org) for the link.

The MomCo

The MomCo (for moms of infants through middle schoolers) meets on the first Tuesday of the month from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Contact Rachel Nerheim at fpcnmomco@gmail.com.

'The Story' Study

This group meets on Friday evenings using The Story, an abridged chronological Bible. Join us Friday from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. in the Hometime Room. Childcare is available for ages 2-12. Email Michael Hicks at michaelehicks89@gmail.com.

"The Story" is a 31-lesson study of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. This group for men meets every other Thursday and is led by Michael Hicks. Email michaelehicks89@gmail.com or call 612-393-9298 for details.

BetterMan is an 11-session study devoted to being better men, husbands, fathers, servants and followers of Christ. The group meets on alternating Thursday evenings. Contact Don Fennessey at fenns@hotmail.com or 401-855-6716.

THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Friday, January 17

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Church office open
6:30 p.m. 'The Story' Bible Study

Saturday, January 18

7:30 a.m. FPC Men's Breakfast

Sunday, January 19

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

Monday, January 20

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

Tuesday, January 21

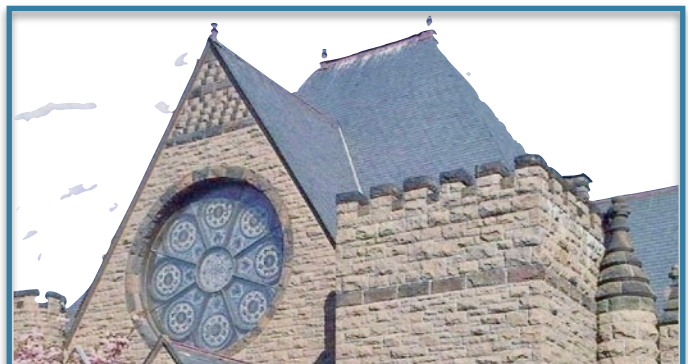
9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Pastor office hours
9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Church office open
10 a.m. Women's Bible Study (at FPC)
7 p.m. Session meeting

Wednesday, January 22

9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Church office open
6 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, January 23

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)
7 p.m. Men's Bible Study



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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

