

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

*Thank you for joining us in worship today. We are so glad that you are here!
Please take a minute to fill out the friendship pad in your pew and pass it along to others.
Our desire is to serve you and your family as you seek to grow in your faith.*

WORSHIP TODAY

Flowers today are given to the glory of God from Ray and Carmen Summey in honor of their 37th wedding anniversary on January 9th!

Flowers...If you would like to donate flowers for the Sunday Worship Services, please sign your name on the **New 2018 Flower Chart Calendar** and complete the flower card, located by the bulletin boards in the hall. Please return the flower card to the church office or offering plate with your payment of **\$50.00**. Thanks for being part of this important ministry.

The Barnabas Cards are located in the pews. They are used like thinking-of-you cards. Fill out the person's name on the front and place it in the offering plate. A volunteer will address it and mail it for you.

Remember in your thoughts and prayers:

Health concerns: Sue Miller; Jackie & Granville Sydnor; Norma Shepherd; David Askine; Margaret Plunkett (Jim Currie's sister); Frank Ellis; Mel Hutchinson; James Jackson; and Pat Abrams.

WORSHIP HELPS

Jesus said "Let the children come to me." Here at FPC we take those words to heart and believe that children learn the faith best by worshipping surrounded by an extended church family! We also acknowledge that children often learn and listen best when their hands are busy. Families with young children are invited to sit in the pews on the organ side of the sanctuary (if desired) to allow the children to do quiet activities using the tables and pillows in our new "pray ground". As always, our nursery (Room 1) is open for children. 4 and younger following "Chancel Time with Children", should parents/grandparents choose that option.

Bibles and hearing enhancement devices are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Coffee available before and after worship in the fellowship hall.

Attendance: 12/31/17 - 103

FPC Event Calendar

Today, January 7	Worship	10:30 am
	First Sunday Potluck	12:00 pm
	YGAC	12:00 pm
	Session Meeting	12:00 pm
Monday, January 8	Church Photos (Come at your appointment time!)	
	Committee Meetings	6:45 pm
Tuesday, January 9	Church Photos (Come at your appointment time!)	
	PW Day Circle Meeting	10:00 am
	Pilates	10:15 am
	Prayer Shawl	2:00 pm
	Deacon's Meeting	6:00 pm
	Yoga chair/standing	6:00 pm
	Yoga floor/mat	7:00 pm
	PW Night Circle Meeting	7:00 pm
Wednesday, January 10	Church Photos (Come at your appointment time!)	
	Baywood Crossing	10:00 am
	Intercessory Prayer	11:00 am
	Brown Bag & Bible	12:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
Thursday, January 11	Church Photos (Come at your appointment time!)	
	Men's Breakfast at Franks	7:00 am
	Pilates	10:15 am
	Yoga chair/standing	6:00 pm
	Spanish Bible Study	6:30 pm
	Men's Bible Study	7:00 pm
	Yoga floor/mat	7:00 pm
Sunday, January 14	Sunday School for all ages	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	YGAC/CAC - Church Bowling	12:00 pm

*“Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice...
Calls you one and calls you all to gain the everlasting ball...”
Glory to God, #132*

What’s Happening Today After Worship?

- ***All church pot-luck lunch in the fellowship hall***
- ***Session meets with officer nominees for lunch and examination in The Oasis***
- ***What Comes Up Must Come Down*** - Following lunch, everyone is invited to stay to help take down the Christmas decorations. It’s an “Unhanging of the Greens” opportunity and all ages and skill levels are encouraged to stay to help.
- ***Youth Group After Church (YGAC)*** - All 6th-12th graders are invited to stay for the all church pot luck lunch following worship then meet in The Oasis to look ahead to our new year. We will also lend a helping hand as the Christmas decorations come down.

All Sunday School Classes Resumed Today, Sunday, January 7, at 9 a.m.. Look on the first bulletin board or newsletter for options and details. There is a home for everyone (children, youth and adults) to grow in faith and friendship. Come find *your* home next Sunday at 9.

Committee/Ministries meet tomorrow night, January 8, from 6:45-8:15. Whether you’re a regular or have never been part of team, you are invited to be part of the life and mission of FPC. Your voice matters.

Youth Cho Yeh Sign-Up & Deposit Deadline Extended - All 6th-12th graders who are planning to go to Camp Cho Yeh February 23-25 please reserve your spot by signing up on the youth bulletin board across from The Oasis and paying your \$50 fee by Sunday, January 14. Questions? Contact Jim or Jo Ann Currie or see the newsletter for more details.

Church Directory photos this week, Monday-Thursday, January 8, 9, 10 and 11. Come at your appointment time. Contact Barbara at the church 281-991-8700 with any questions or changes.

Brown Bag Bible Study each Wednesday, from noon to 1 p.m. led by Pastor Jim Currie. All are invited to join this lively conversation over lunch in the fellowship hall. The group will wrap up the study of Daniel soon and begin something new. Who knows where the new year will lead?

Yoga Classes, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Both 6 p.m. classes are now “chair/standing” yoga. The 7 p.m. classes will remain full mat yoga. This year, come grow in strength, flexibility and balance...and invite a friend.

Youth & Church Family Bowling next Sunday, January 14, at Armadillo Lanes following worship. All are invited for lunch and an afternoon of cross-generational recreation. Please sign up in the narthex and plan to meet in the Oasis to caravan.

Next Sunday, January 14, we will ordain and install the new church officers during worship. The new class of elders are: Louis Alvarez, Brett Coe, Jeanie Falls, and Tom Hoffman. The new class of deacons are: Faith Alvarez, Donna Coe, Brian Davis, Karen Schimnowski, and George Yeargin. We also express our gratitude for those who are rotating off as elders: Tom Chitwood, Natica Cooper, Shelley Covington, Stan Ganderson, and Roy Kreitz; and to those rotating off as deacons: Cindy Berridge, Garland DeLoach, Joyce DeLoach, Linda Ross, and Bruce Walters. Many thanks to one and all!

Wonderful Wednesday, January 17, at 5:30 pm for a light meal followed by a presentation by our own Glenda Kucera from 6-7 pm about her recent mission trip to Cuba. We look forward to hearing about this life-changing adventure! If you’d like to bring a pot of soup or chili, please bring it to the fellowship hall by 5:15 pm

The FPC Brunch & Book Group meets Saturday, January 20, from 10-12. “*Glass Castle*” by Jeanette Walls. All readers are encouraged to be part of the monthly group.

Annual Reports - A Reminder to Session Members, Deacons, Presbyterian Women, Early Childhood Program, Gathering Place and others about Annual Reports. To capture a glimpse of the mission and ministry of FPC during 2017, please write and send your 2017 Annual Report to Jo Ann Currie (jjcurrie5152@gmail.com) as soon as possible. Thanks to all who have already done so.

Brothers and Sisters, **KAIROS** is on the move for February 15, 2018 at Jester Unit III. Please prepare letters, cookies (due 2/12/18), and the art work for place mats and cookie bags. The final part is money, we need your financial support. There are ways to support people who are looking for a better way than what got them where they are, that is where you come in, please help if you will. Mark Corder