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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES 10:30 am

In the sanctuary and live-streaming on YouTube through our website: fpcpasadena.org.
Nursery provided

Dear Friends,

It's here! The idea hatched several years ago to have a big celebration for our 85th anniversary is coming to fruition! There still is time to register if you haven't already, but please do so today. Log on to our church website or -- if technology is not your thing -- call the church office.

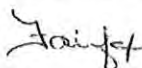
The weekend of October 11th and 12th promises to be a great time of Remembering -- Reflecting -- Rejoicing! Don't miss this fabulous opportunity for fellowship and feasting on good memories as well as great food. After lunch together on Saturday (starts at noon), Rev. Shane Webb -- who spent his formative years at FPCP and was ordained in our sanctuary in 2011 -- will offer our keynote address, beginning at 12:45. His presentation is titled, "Honor the Past, Enjoy the Now, Ready the Future!" (Nehemiah 8:5-12). Shane is currently serving as Pastor of Woodhaven Presbyterian Church in Irving, TX and it will be great to welcome him back home.

After hearing from Shane, we will have time for games, activities, and catch-up conversations. At 3:00, our Chancel Choir, handbells, and dulcimer group will present a wonderful concert, followed by a reception.

Sunday begins with a continental breakfast at 8:00, followed by Church School and our celebratory worship service. Former pastor Jim Currie -- now retired and living with his delightful wife, our former educator, Jo Ann, in Austin, TX -- will be preaching and we will have a bagpiper! After worship, we will move to the Fellowship Hall for a fabulous barbeque lunch.

Especially for churches in our part of the country, 85 years is a significant anniversary. God has been with us since the dark days of The Great Depression when the first people began to gather and envision a Presbyterian church in Pasadena. We have worshipped in several locations, been served by nine different installed pastors, baptized hundreds of people -- infants, children, and adults of all ages -- celebrated Holy Communion thousands of times, given thanks for the lives of many saints, and always attempted to live out the teachings of our Lord in this area and beyond. It is appropriate that we gather to recognize and praise God's faithfulness and guidance. God's love has been poured out among us. Thanks be to God!

Grace and peace to you all,



The Rev. Dr. Fairfax F. Fair, pastor

85 YEARS — REMEMBERING. REFLECTING. REJOICING!



FPC OFFICERS



ELDERS

Class of 2025

James Jackson
Roy Kreitz
Pat McPhail
Laura Phipps

Class of 2026

Sarah Brown
Betsy Marlow
Jason Reed
Barry Webb

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TRUSTEES

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Betsy Marlow

Class of 2027

Brett Coe

Clerk's Corner

by Bonnie Keith, Clerk to Session

The session of First Presbyterian Church, Pasadena, Texas, met in a called meeting in the sanctuary following worship on Sunday, September 7, 2025. Marvin Trent was received into membership by transfer of letter from Sunset United Methodist Church.

The session of First Presbyterian Church, Pasadena, Texas, met in a stated meeting on Monday, September 15, 2025, in the Fellowship Hall.

The following action items were taken.

- The session approved removing Joyce DeLoach as a signatory on the savings account at Capital Bank and adding Brett Coe.

The following reports were given.

- The current membership is 191.
 - Michael Wallace died September 2, 2025.
 - Marvin Trent joined by letter of transfer on September 7, 2025.
- Eliza Rae English and Walker Martin English were baptized on September 14, 2025.
- Brett reported that in July there had been income of \$22,072.57 and expenses of \$42,447.35. Prepaid pledges were put in savings until needed for expenses, and necessary funds were moved to the checking account to cover. He pointed out that there had been a high electric bill for August because of a problem with switching companies. There should be credit for part of it.
- The financial reports are now being generated by QuickBooks.
- Letters with pledge cards will be mailed October 6. Pledge dedication Sunday will be October 26.
- Dr. Fair reported pastoral concerns of the congregation and hospital visits she had made.
- Officers training will begin on September 21st at 9:00 a.m. in Room 9 and continue September 28, October 19, and October 26.
- Dr. Fair joined a small group of faith leaders at the Holocaust Museum Houston to seek understanding and unity.
- Dr. Fair presided at the memorial service for Dr. Thomas Stewart Coffman, former General Presbyter of the Presbytery of New Covenant.
- In 2026 Dr. Fair will serve as the chair of the Committee on Ministry for the Presbytery of New Covenant.
- The Calvin Institute of Christian Worship has offered a grant to do worship based on the Psalms, for which Dr. Fair has applied.



Marvin Trent



Sunday, November 2



ELDERS

STEVEN ENGLISH
BONNIE KEITH
CAPPY PHIPPS
JAMES TAYLOR

INCOMING OFFICERS CLASS OF 2028

DEACONS

ARTHUR CARDENAS
RHONDA HASKINS
GAY REEVES
LOU ANNE SINOR



You Are Invited to Join
First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

85th Anniversary Celebration

1940-2025

Remembering. Reflecting. Rejoicing!

Schedule

Saturday, October 11, 2025

Noon	Catered Lunch
12:45-1:30 pm	Shane Webb - Speaker
1:30-3:00 pm	Activities - All Ages
3:00-4:30 pm	Choir Concert
	Cookie/Punch Reception

See Website for more information:



Sunday, October 12, 2025

8:00-9:00 am	Continental Breakfast
9:00-10:00 am	Sunday School
10:30-11:30 am	Worship with Bagpipes
	Preacher - Jim Currie
Noon	BBQ Lunch

- ✚ Share your favorite photos for the slideshow
- ✚ Let us know if you're coming (RSVP)
- ✚ Reach out to anyone who has been part of FPC. Encourage them to join us for this celebration!

Join us **October 11 & 12** as we celebrate 85 wonderful years together! See the full schedule of anniversary activities above on the invitation.

Visit the 85th Table for Anniversary memorabilia

Stop by to browse a unique selection of original items available for purchase, and enter our exciting raffles!

Supporting a Great Cause

All proceeds from the event will support our 85th Anniversary celebration and our Mission Project:
Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services (PCHAS) in Itasca, Texas.

Last day to Register is October 5. *Thanks to those who have registered and for those who didn't – come anyway! We're expecting you!*

 **Tartan Sunday – October 12**

Celebrate our Presbyterian heritage!

Wear your family tartan or any plaid to honor the ancestors who brought their faith from Scotland.
(No Scottish ancestry? No problem—join the celebration by wearing plaid!)

Note: Earplugs are available for those who may be sensitive to the sound of bagpipes.

All Saints' Sunday – November 2nd

During worship, we will mark this occasion of remembrance by calling the name of a loved one who has died since November 1, 2024.

To submit a name and a picture for this service, email Barbara (office@fpcpasadena.org), Betty (office2@fpcpasadena.org), or call the office at 281-991-8700.

Saints Among Us – Past and Present

To have a saint quietly walk among us, serving faithfully and making our church a welcoming place of worship, is a true blessing. She has touched the lives of even the youngest children, always finding ways to provide helpers and care for them. When school begins, she is among the first to encourage everyone to donate supplies, ensuring that teachers are supported and children are well-prepared for their learning journey. She is also the glue that holds the Young at Heart group together—always ready with a devotional to nourish our spirits, as well as games to bring us joy and food to share in fellowship. She greets all with a warm and welcoming smile, and I am grateful to call this saint my friend—Saint **Joan Gibertini**.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry meets Tuesdays from 1:30 to 3 pm in Room #10 and Zoom. During this time they crochet and knit, teach others these skills, and pray for others. The results of their efforts are prayer shawls that are gifted to those who are going through a hard time.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry also makes warm hats and scarfs for the homeless, and seafarers coming into the Port of Houston. To join Zoom, email office@fpcpasadena.org.

Men's Breakfast at FPC—

meets next on Sat, Oct 25, 8 am in the Fellowship Hall for a hearty breakfast and excellent fellowship! Men's Breakfast meet the on the LAST Sat of each month. *Except in Nov & Dec, they meet on the third Sat.*



Brown Bag and Bible—

Led by Rev. Dr. Fairfax Fair meets Wednesdays at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to bring their lunch and join in this well attended study!

YOGA @ FPC

Led by Carey Coker

Two Ways to Grow in Flexibility & Strength

Join a Yoga class to exercise the mind and the body!

Stand Up/Chair Yoga

Tuesday & Thursday 5:00 pm

Regular Mat Yoga

(bring your own mat)

Tuesday & Thursday 6:15 pm

*Wear comfortable clothing/
bring a water bottle.*



Cut-Ups Craft Group –Quarterly Schedule

The Cut-Ups meet four times a year for lunch at 11:30 AM at Andy's Bar-B-Que, then return to the church at 1:00 PM to gather in Room #9. Together, they create cute, seasonal crafts and enjoy warm fellowship. This lively group is led by Liz Reed, and everyone is welcome to join the fun!

11/19/2025

2/18/2025

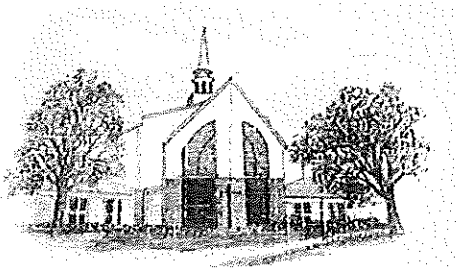
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Pasadena Community Ministries—

is always in need of food. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please mail or drop in the secure box at church a check made out to First Presbyterian Church with the designation PCM. You may also donate at fpcpasadena.org under **Donate**, then follow up with email to kimberly@fpcpasadena.org so she can direct the donation to PCM.

PCM Current Hours: Tuesday/Thursday 9 am-12 pm



First Presbyterian Church
Established 1940

History Memories of First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena, Texas

by Diane Walker Hall, the "oldest child" in this Church ~

~ 7 years old when the church was chartered ~

~ a member since 1942 ~

Move to Grow

I remember the day that we had the groundbreaking dedication at our new church here on Preston Avenue. It was a cloudy day, so everyone came with umbrellas "just in case." Mrs. Genevieve Fairfield was invited to speak to represent the charter members. As she began to talk it started to rain softly and all the umbrellas opened up. It seemed to me God was speaking to us at this important time for our church. What a blessed day! When they started to build, my husband, Robert, videoed every step of the church building to the end. Moving day was a glorious event in our church life with all helping.

One of the most important things was to keep Jesus, the shepherd, stained glass window from the chapel. It was removed and taken to a business in La Porte to be cleaned and repaired. A cabinet maker was found to build a cabinet to house it. After two years it finally arrived and Robert and I set it up in the narthex. It was near our wedding anniversary. Wow! It felt like a Jesus moment. We turned the lights on and a car came off of Preston and drove through the porte cochere. The person stopped and looked in the front doors to see the lighted stained glass of Jesus. When that happened, I felt the new church was our church and we had come home again.

When we moved, we had around twenty-five high school students and a wonderful large room for them. A strong group of youth grew up in our church. One of them, Shane Webb, went on to lead our youth, and became a Presbyterian minister. He will be the speaker on Saturday of the 85th anniversary celebration. I was looking at the new membership directory the other day, and recognized around forty-eight current adult members who have grown up in this church.

Our church has always had a strong choir and music program with excellent leadership and dedicated members. They are some of the strongest volunteers in our church history. A bell choir began when the Loomis family bought the bells. The balcony provided a place to play above the choir.

With outstanding ministers and great volunteers, we have continued to do God's work in this building. I've been praying for our church all my life and have watched it change every year. I'm so glad God let me live to enjoy the celebration of 85 years. It has given me such joy to be a part of this church all my life. The song going through my mind is "This is my story. This is my song, praising my savior all the day long." – 'til the end of my life! I have been with this church through all the moves, all the ministers, all the people. I can close my eyes and see all the people who have gone before me and know they are in heaven's church with my God and his son, Jesus. I look forward to joining this mighty group of people. They say "You can pick what you do for God when you get there."



**WREATHS
ACROSS
AMERICA**

**Houston
2025**

Wreath Sponsorship Form



**Deadline for ordering
November 23, 2025**

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

Phone _____

City State Zip _____

Email _____

WAA-Houston does not sell, rent, or otherwise disclose any personal information.
Thank you for your Sponsorship and for joining us in our mission to Remember, Honor, and Teach.

Wreath Sponsorships

Individual Wreaths: Qty _____ @ \$17 each Total \$ _____

Other: _____ Amount \$ _____

Grand Total \$ _____

WREATHS ARE \$17 EACH

Pay by credit card using the QR code at the top, cash, or checks payable to WAA-Houston.

Checks can be mailed to Melba Slaven or place envelopes in the offering plate.

Melba Slaven | 4507 Sao Paulo | Pasadena, TX 77504

Questions? Text or call Melba at 713-557-7195

Special Request Wreath — Donated in Memory of...

Sponsored wreaths will be placed on the grave markers only at the Houston National Cemetery.
Cemetery guidelines dictate that wreaths cannot be hung from the Columbariums
and that only one wreath can be placed upon any headstone.

Wreath sponsorship is required for each special requested wreath.

Name exactly as it appears on headstone _____

HNC Section _____ HNC Site Location _____

Name exactly as it appears on headstone _____

HNC Section _____ HNC Site Location _____

If you do not know the location of the Veteran, call 281-540-9444, or go to waahouston.com for help and information.

Wreaths Across America is a non-profit organization dedicated to honoring and thanking our veterans for their service and sacrifice. The Wreaths Across America mission is to "Remember, Honor, and Teach".

We fulfill that mission by laying a live Maine remembrance wreath upon the gravesites of our fallen heroes. The annual wreath laying ceremony that started at Arlington National Cemetery in 1992 is now performed around the country, including the Houston National Cemetery. www.waahouston.com



Presbyterian Women

PW circles will meet Tuesday, October 14, to study Lesson Two, "Mary of a Certain Village" in *Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ* by Rhashell D. Hunter. Day Circle meets at 10:00 a.m. Night Circle meets at 6:30 p.m. in person or on Zoom. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information and Zoom link, contact Melba Slaven or Bonnie Keith.



**WREATHS
ACROSS
AMERICA
HOUSTON**

To sponsor a wreath, **USE THE FORM WITH THE QR CODE AND PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN LOGO ONLY.** Each sponsored wreath will be placed on the grave markers at the Houston National Cemetery. **The cost of each wreath is \$17.00. Presbyterian Women receives \$5.00 from the sale of each wreath which goes toward our outreach to veterans.** Use the QR code on the form



for credit cards. Checks can be mailed to the address on the form (include form), or give Melba cash or checks. Take extra forms to share with family and friends! Forms can be found in this newsletter, narthex, and in the bulletin on October 19.

Order by November 23. Questions? Contact Melba Slaven @ 713-557-7195.



Puzzle Exchange

New in the library is a puzzle exchange. You may take one, work it, and bring it back. You are welcome to donate to the collection. If a piece or pieces are missing, note it on the box, so the next person won't be hunting for it. **Take one! Bring one!**



THE CHAIN STITCHERS 2025 PROJECT

RE: Ongoing and Upcoming Quilting/Sewing Projects — for anyone, whether you sew or not!

THE CHAIN STITCHERS 2025 PROJECT FOR THE PASADENA ANIMAL SHELTER HAS BEEN A GREAT SUCCESS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

THE BLESSING OF THE DOG AND CAT BEDS, BANDANAS, PULL TOYS, ETC.

IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, DURING WORSHIP.

Chain Stitchers regularly meet in the Fellowship Hall on Thursdays from NOON to 3:00.

Bring your sewing machine and sewing kit.



CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES FOR SEAFARERS

You are far from home and family, lonely, even though there are 21 others on the ship with you, not looking forward to heading across the cold North Atlantic in December and wondering why you chose the life of a seafarer. You are a Buddhist or a Muslim or a Sikh or Hindu, a Christian or a Jew and you have no reason to look forward to the next few weeks of cold weather and heaving seas when suddenly a Chaplain from the Port of Houston Seafarer Center comes on board and asks for help getting a bunch of bags aboard. What could this be all about? Why is he or she bringing all of these bags to us?

The captain comes down and decides to have the bags opened now and distributed, because he has been here before and knows what the bags contain, but you have no clue. Then, you are given a box all wrapped in colorful paper. It is heavy, it rattles a little bit and it is just for you. What is in it? Hurriedly, you tear open the paper and discover a plastic box or a shoe box, filled with all sorts of items. There are things like shaving cream, playing cards, socks, gloves, a little sewing kit, a notebook and lots of other things too. Last but not least is this strange knit bag and you wonder what that is for. The chaplain, knowing that your next port of call will be Rotterdam in the Netherlands in thirteen cold days takes pity on you and explains that while you have no need for this in your home country, you will appreciate having your ears nice and warm under your hard hat when the wind is blowing and the waves are splashing up the side of the ship.

First Presbyterian Women will be making up 50 Christmas Shoe Boxes on October 7th, but we need another 50 or more to go with them. Every member is being asked to please take a shoe box, or better yet, go purchase a clear plastic shoe box at Walmart or a Dollar type store and fill it with the items listed on the new **2025 Season Christmas Shoebox letter from the Seafarer Center**. It has lots of good information, but one thing they left off is the idea of including a stocking cap. Please take a stocking cap for each box you are assembling and start working on your shoeboxes. Get your family and especially any grandkids involved and watch the excitement in their eyes as they pack "their shoebox" for someone. Encourage them to write a note or a Christmas drawing to put in the box along with their other items. Fill every nook and cranny and don't leave any empty spaces. Feel free to add extra items, but be sure that everything is new and still in its packaging. Also, please go for regular size items like shampoo or tooth paste and not the little travel size and PLEASE, no bows.

Try to have your wrapped boxes back in the Fellowship Hall on the table by Sunday, November 2nd. They will be taken down to the Seafarer Center for the Chaplains to distribute. Distribution typically starts the weekend after Thanksgiving and goes until the chaplains run out of boxes and every ship that comes in during that time gets gifted.

Please share this idea with friends, neighbors, other residents if you live in a multi-resident facility and any other persons that you think might be receptive to the opportunity to share the joy of Christmas with seafarers far from home who bring us so many of the items we use every single day.

If you have questions, feel free to call either Bonnie Keith at 713-385-1367 or Jim Keith at 832-496-5176 and we will be more than happy to answer your questions. Let this be a labor of love, just like doing Christmas presents for your kids or grandkids. Remember too, because some items come in multiples, it is easy to pack multiple boxes at the same time rather than just one. Every one who assembles a box will help to make this Christmas a joyful occasion for a seafarer that we have not met but who brought us lots of other goodies for our Christmas.



Christmas Shoeboxes



Houston International Seafarers Center, Inc.

2025 SEASON

Every year, the Houston International Seafarers Center delivers between 8,000 and 11,000 shoeboxes filled with essential items, treats, and small gifts to the hardworking seafarers visiting the Port of Houston. Many of these men and women spend months at sea, far from home and family—especially during the holiday season.

These special shoeboxes are hand-delivered directly to ships by our Chaplains, ship visitors, and staff—sharing not just gifts, but kindness, gratitude, and holiday spirit.



SUGGESTED ITEMS

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

BAND-AIDS (FABRIC)
BODY WASH (LIQUID)
DENTAL FLOSS
DEODORANT
DISPOSABLE RAZORS
GOLD BOND CREAM
GOLD BOND POWDER
HAIRBRUSH / COMB
HAND WIPES
LIP BALM
LOTION
NAIL CLIPPERS
Q-TIPS
SHAMPOO / CONDITIONER
SHAVING CREAM
TISSUES
TOOTHBRUSH / TOOTHPASTE

RECREATIONAL ITEMS

BASEBALL CAPS (NEW)
CHEWING GUM / HARD CANDY
EARBUDS / HEADPHONES
FLASHLIGHTS W/ BATTERIES
HANDKERCHIEFS
KEY CHAINS
MAGNETS
MECHANICAL PENCILS / PENS
NEEDLE & THREAD
NON-PERISHABLE SNACKS
PLAYING CARDS
POCKET-SIZED NOTEBOOKS
POCKET CALENDARS
SOCKS
TEXAS SOUVENIRS
T-SHIRTS (NEW)
WORD-SEARCHES / SUDOKUS

2024 STATS



10,002

SHOEBOXES DISTRIBUTED



412

VESSELS GIFTED



51

NATIONALITIES
REPRESENTED



164

PARTICIPATING ORGS
AND INDIVIDUAL
DONORS



THANK YOU

FOR HELPING US CONTINUE
OUR MISSION SERVING
SEAFARERS

GUIDELINES / OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER:

- Set up and share an Amazon Wishlist with your team to help collect items.
- Purchase plastic shoeboxes: they will become an extra gift for seafarers.
- Pack only new, unopened/unused items.
- Include full-sized items (preferred over travel-sized items).
- Wrap securely as one unit, please DO NOT wrap lids and boxes separately.
- Add a personal note or card to make each box a special, one-of-a-kind gift.
- Fill boxes to the brim!
- Use holiday themed paper to wrap boxes

UNABLE TO GATHER A TEAM AND ASSEMBLE BOXES?

- Purchase and send shoebox items directly to the Center via our Amazon Wishlist. Use your smartphone's camera to scan our QR code, and you'll be taken directly to our wishlist.



Shoeboxes can be delivered to the Houston International Seafarers Center, 9750 High Level Road, Houston Texas.
Please call ahead to coordinate a drop off time with Center staff 713-672-0511.

Young at Heart BUS TRIPS

new update 8/18/25

**We depart from First Presbyterian Church, south parking lot
4647 Preston Ave. Pasadena, TX 77505
(corner of Preston and Crenshaw)**

ALL seniors, 55 and older, are invited to join us on these awesome trips!!

Please contact *Ruth Askine*, 713-515-9248, ruthaskine@gmail.com.

Our buses are furnished free, for seniors, by Precinct 2, Harris County.

Register with Ruth and bring a friend!

Friday, September 12, 2025—The 1898 One Room Schoolhouse and Museum, League City.

Bus loads at 8:30 am. Departs 8:45 am. Returns about 2:00 pm.

Lunch at Red River Barbeque, League City.

Cost--\$10.00—plus your lunch.

Friday, October 24—Wharton Historic Court House and Museum.

and 20th Century Tech Museum Wharton.

Bus loads 8:00 am. Departs 8:15 am. Returns about 4 pm.

Lunch catered by Hinze's Barbeque, Wharton.

Cost--\$20.00, includes lunch and guides!!

NEW!!--Wednesday, December 3, 2025—Moody Gardens Buffet Dinner And Festival of Lights

Bus loads 2:30pm. Departs 2:45 pm. Returns about 9 pm.

Cost--\$25.00 (Includes Buffet and FOL)

Please sign up early with Ruth (713-515-9248) for these trips!

BRUNCH and BOOK GROUP
THIRD Saturday, October 18, 2025
10 am-11:30 am



Bring some brunch goodies, and we will enjoy FOOD, FUN, and FELLOWSHIP together!!

Saturday, October 18—*The Fountains of Silence*, by Ruta Sepetys. Leader—Lynn Ropel.

"Spain, under Francisco Franco, is a dystopian setting for this book, but it is also a suspenseful, romantic, and timely new work of historical fiction..."

Please Note: We take a special time at the end of our book discussion to continue "**A Minute for Members**", in which one of us gives a brief telling of some personal background and history.

Also: Choose your favorite book for this year, have it with you, and we will take a picture of you with that book today.

DEADLINE—October 18—today!

Fellowship Hall

Saturday, November 15—*Being a Dad Is Weird: Lessons in Fatherhood from My Family to Yours*, by Bill Falcone. Leader—Mark Clemmons

Friday, December 12—6:30 pm. Book Group Pot-Luck Supper and Party, with our Crazy Book Exchange. Bring your spouse or a friend—and food!

Saturday, January 17, 2026—*Guns, Germs, and Steel: The Fates of Human Societies*, by Jared Diamond.

MORE BOOKS RECOMMENDED by our Book Group friends for your reading...

***New!!—*The Island of Missing Trees*, by Elif Shafak

***New!!—*Three Days in June*, by Anne Tyler

***New!!—*And So I Roar*, by Abi Dare

What You Are Looking for Is in the Library, by Michiko Aoyama

Snobs, by Julian Fellowes

B and B G—October 18, 2025

FPC CLUSTER SHEPHERD GROUPS & CO-SHEPHERDS 2025

CLUSTER #	DEACONS/CLASS	ELDER/CLASS
1	Karen Schimnowski – 2025	Sarah Brown – 2026
2	Shannon English – 2027	Brett Coe – 2027
3	Dolores Thacker – 2026	Barry Webb – 2026
4	Imelda Carrillo – 2025	James Jackson – 2025
5	Carol Parks – 2027	Milo Wharry – 2027
6	Claudia Kreitz – 2026	Roy Kreitz – 2025
7	David Kirkpatrick – 2026	Jason Reed – 2026
8	Liz Reed – 2025	Pat McPhail – 2025
9	Lavinia Brown – 2027	Kashif Dean – 2027
10	Samantha Cayton – 2026	Betsy Marlow – 2026
11	Karen Taylor – 2027	Nancy Saldivar – 2027
12	Cappy Phipps – 2025	Laura Phipps – 2025

Holiday Schedule 2025/Office Closed

January 1—Federal Holiday	September 1— Federal Holiday
January 20—Federal Holiday	October 13— Federal Holiday
February 17—Federal Holiday	November 27—Thanksgiving
April 21—Easter Monday	December 25—Christmas
May 26— Federal Holiday	Floater Day Off

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS 2025

Caring & Fellowship

Betsy Marlow 2026 – Chair
Pat McPhail 2025
Jason Reed 2026

Discipleship

James Jackson 2025– Chair
Sarah Brown 2026
Kashif Dean 2027

Mission & Outreach

Laura Phipps 2025– Chair
Milo Wharry 2027

Stewardship

Brett Coe 2027– Chair
Roy Kreitz 2025

Worship & Music

Barry Webb 2026– Chair
Nancy Saldivar 2027

Personnel

Roy Kreitz 2025– Chair
Laura Phipps 2025
Brett Coe 2027

Trustees

Roy Kreitz 2025
Betsy Marlow 2026
Brett Coe 2027

Nominating Committee

James Jackson 2025
Barry Webb 2026

Current Activities at FPC ...

(see bulletin, newsletter, or fpcpasadena.org for more details)

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Worship—Sundays at 10:30 am
Sunday School Classes for ALL—9 am
Yoga—Tuesday & Thursday—Chair Yoga 5-6 pm, FH
Yoga—Tuesday & Thursday—Mat Yoga 6:15-7:15 pm, FH
Brown Bag & Bible—Wednesday @ noon, FH
Prayer Shawl—Wednesdays 1-3 pm, Room #10
Choir—Wednesdays 7-8 pm
Chain Stitchers—Thursdays 12-3 pm and 6-9 pm, FH
Men's Breakfast at Frank's Grill—Thursdays 7:30 am
Intercessory Prayer—Thursdays 11:00 pm, Library
Handbells—Sundays 12:15-1:15, Room #11

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

	Next:
1st Sun Lunch after worship	11/2
Communion-3rd Sun	10/5
Session Meeting-3rd Mon 6:45 pm, FH	10/20
Ministry Meetings-throughout the month	
Presbyterian Women-2nd Tue Day -10 am, FH	10/14
PW Night —6:30 pm, FH	
Cut-Ups—Quarterly Schedule, Room #9	
11/19/2025 2/18/2026 5/20/2026	
Young @ Heart—3rd Thu 10-noon, FH	10/16
Book Group—3rd Sat 10-noon, FH	10/18
Men's Breakfast—Last Sat/mo 8 am, FH	10/25
November/December meet on 3rd Sat	

October

2 James Taylor
6 Kim Griswold
8 Sarah Brown
8 Susan Wallace
9 Joyce DeLoach
10 Tyler Cooper
14 Carol Parks
16 Gayle Warzon
17 Carolyn Stratton
18 Bonnie Keith
20 Marvin Trent



November

1 Megan Whitley Farley
1 John Rarden, Sr
6 Loren Burke
7 Patti Beller
8 Janet Sturm
11 Tom Chitwood
12 Anne Berridge
12 Olivia Covington
16 Lavinia Brown
17 Kimberly Waggett
18 Donna Gilchrest
18 Claudia Kreitz
21 Jennie Fairfield
22 Jeff Clark
23 Gary Berridge
23 Faye Chapman
23 Tom Swan
28 Janis Corder
29 Dee Lowery



Early Childhood Program

2025 2026 School Calendar

October 2025

October 10th—14th Fall Break

November 2025

November 24—28 Thanksgiving Break

December 2025

December 18: Last day of school before Christmas Break

December 19—January 6: Christmas Break

January 2026

January 7: Classes resume

January 19: No School—MLK Holiday

February 2026

February 16: No School—President's Day

March 2026

March 9—13: No School—Spring Break

April 2026

April 3: No School—Good Friday

April 6: No School—Easter Monday

May 2026

May 15: Pre-K Graduation & Last Day of School

Sunday School @ FPC

Sunday Morning Bible Study—8:45 am in the Library. Led by Mark Corder.

Stepping Out in Faith—Bride's Room & Zoom (*contact Bonnie Keith for the Zoom link*). Pat Abrams leads the study: *John for Everyone, Part 1: 20th Anniversary Edition with Study Guide, Chapters 1-10 (The New Testament for Everyone)* by N. T. Wright.

Current Christianity—Room #8. Mark Clemmons leads the current study of *How We Learn to Be Brave: Decisive Moments in Life and Faith*, by Mariann Edgar Budde.

Kindergarten through 5th grade—Room #7. Led by Bonnie Keith and Donna Gilchrest.

6th-12th grade—Room #10. Led by James Jackson and Brian Davis.

The Intercessory Prayer Group invites you to pray for the following members...

Edith Langdon; Dee Lowery & Joannie King; Betsy Marlow; Jennifer Martin; Carol Ann McCaleb; Kathleen McCullough; Darcy McPhail; Patricia McPhail; Heather McDonald & Family; Maria & Juan Morales; Elois Murray; Ron Ollis; Carol Parks; Kenton Pate; Amber Pendleton; Ronnie & Betty Pendleton; Sally Perry; Cappy & Laura Phipps; Gloria Pinaud; John Rarden, Sr.; Jason & Carrie Reed; Liz Reed; Keith & Gay Reeves; Phillip, Jami & Dalton Rice; Margaret Robison; Betty Rodriguez & Family; Linda Ross; Nancy Saldivar.

Our Thoughts and Prayers are with...

Health concerns:

Barry Webb; Garland DeLoach; Mark Clemmons; Susan Wallace; Kay Hutson; Imelda Carrillo; Frank & Glenda Kucera; Maurice & Joyce Barclay; Anne Berridge; People of Ukraine; Baywood Crossing residents and staff.

Those serving with the Military:

Teresa Haltom; Chris Haltom; Zachary Guillory; Matthew Knapik; Brandon Waggett

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>28</div> <p>9am - Officer Training #9 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship 12:15pm - Handbells #11</p>	<div>29</div> <p>5:30pm - 85th Anniv Mtg - #10</p>	<div>30</div> <p>5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH</p>	<div>1</div> <p>12pm - NO Brown Bag & Bible 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 7pm - Choir Practice</p>	<div>2</div> <p>7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's 11am - Intercessory Prayer-Library 12pm - Chain Stitchers-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6pm - Chain Stitchers-#9 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH</p>	<div>3</div> <p>6pm - Private/St.George-FH</p>	<div>4</div> <p>8am - Private/St.George-S/FH</p>
<div>5</div> <p>World Communion Sunday 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship - Rev. Dr. Jim 11:30am - NO Sunday Lunch today 12:15pm - Handbells #11</p>	<div>6</div> <p>5:30pm - 85th Anniv Mtg - #10 6pm - NO Caring Ministry 7pm - NO Worship Ministry @https:</p>	<div>7</div> <p>9:30am - PW Board Meeting- 5pm - YOGA-Chair-Narthex 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-Narthex 6:30pm - Private Girl Scout-FH</p>	<div>8</div> <p>12pm - Brown Bag & Bible-FH 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 2pm - Stewardship-Library 7pm - Choir Practice</p>	<div>9</div> <p>7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's 11am - Intercessory Prayer-Library 12pm - No Chain Stitchers-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6pm - No Chain Stitchers-#9 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH</p>	<div>10</div> <p>Setup for 85th Today! 2pm - Memorial Service-Mike</p>	<div>11</div> <p>FFC 85th Anniversary Event! 11am - Handbell Practice- 12pm - 85th Lunch-FH 12:45pm - 85th Shane Webb-FH 1:30pm - 85th Activities-All Ages! 3pm - 85th Choir Concert- 4pm - 85th Cookie/Punch</p>
<div>12</div> <p>FFC 85th Anniversary Event! 8am - 85th Breakfast-FH 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship-Rev. Dr. Jim 12pm - 85th BBQ Lunch-FH @ 12:15pm - NO Handbells</p>	<div>13</div> <p>Columbus Day Holiday-Church office closed 1pm - M & O-Library</p>	<div>14</div> <p>10am - PW Day Circle-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-Narthex 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-Narthex 6:30pm - PW Night Circle-FH</p>	<div>15</div> <p>12pm - Brown Bag & Bible-FH 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 7pm - Choir Practice</p>	<div>16</div> <p>7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's 10am - Young At Heart-FH 11am - Intercessory Prayer-Library 12pm - Chain Stitchers-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6pm - Chain Stitchers-#9 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH</p>	<div>17</div> <p>6pm - Private/St.George-FH</p>	<div>18</div> <p>10am - Brunch & Book-FH</p>
<div>19</div> <p>9am - Officer Training #9 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship 11:30am - Deacon's Meeting #10 11:30am - Discipleship-Library 12:15pm - Handbells #11</p>	<div>20</div> <p>6:45pm - SESSION Meeting-FH</p>	<div>21</div> <p>5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH</p>	<div>22</div> <p>12pm - NO Brown Bag & Bible 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 6pm - ECP Open House-Sanctuary 7pm - Choir Practice</p>	<div>23</div> <p>7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's 11am - Intercessory Prayer-Library 12pm - Chain Stitchers-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6pm - Chain Stitchers-#9 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH 6:30pm - Private-#10-HOA</p>	<div>24</div> <p>8am - Men's Breakfast-FH</p>	<div>25</div>
<div>26</div> <p>9am - Officer Training #9 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship 12:15pm - Handbells #11</p>	<div>27</div>	<div>28</div> <p>5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH</p>	<div>29</div> <p>12pm - Brown Bag & Bible-FH 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 7pm - Choir Practice</p>	<div>30</div> <p>7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's 11am - Intercessory Prayer-Library 12pm - Chain Stitchers-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6pm - Chain Stitchers-#9 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH</p>	<div>31</div> <p>Halloween 5:30pm - NO Trunk or Treat 6pm - Private/St.George-FH</p>	<div>1</div> <p>8am - Private/St.George-S/FH 3pm - Private Event-FH</p>

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2 Daylight saving time ends 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship - Communion - 11:30am - 1st Sunday Lunch 12:15pm - Handbells #11	3 6pm - NO Caring Ministry 7pm - Worship Ministry - Zoom @	4 Election Day 9:30am - PW Board Meeting- 5pm - YOGA-Chair-Narthex 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-Narthex 6:30pm - Private Girl Scout-FH	5 12pm - Brown Bag & Bible-FH 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 7pm - Choir Practice	6 7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's 11am - Intercessory Prayer-Library 12pm - Chain Stitchers-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6pm - Chain Stitchers-#9 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH	7 5pm - FH-DAR setup 6pm - Private/St.George-FH	8 9:30am - Private/DAR-FH 2pm - Private/Girl Scouts-FH
9 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship 11:30am - Discipleship-Library 12:15pm - Handbells #11	10 1pm - M & O-Library	11 Veterans Day 10am - PW Day Circle-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-Narthex 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-Narthex 6:30pm - PW Night Circle-FH	12 12pm - Brown Bag & Bible-FH 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 2pm - Stewardship-Library 7pm - Choir Practice	13 7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's 11am - Intercessory Prayer-Library 12pm - Chain Stitchers-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6pm - Chain Stitchers-#9 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH	14 6pm - Private/St.George-FH	15 Presbytery Meeting-Faith Baytown 8am - Men's Breakfast-FH 10am - Brunch & Book-FH
16 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship 11:30am - Deacon's Meeting #10 12:15pm - Handbells #11	17 6:45pm - SESSION Meeting-FH	18 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH	19 11:30am - Lunch Out w/Cut-Ups 12pm - Brown Bag & Bible-FH 1pm - Cut-Ups #9 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 7pm - Choir Practice	20 7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's 10am - Young At Heart-FH 11am - Intercessory Prayer-Library 12pm - Chain Stitchers-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6pm - Chain Stitchers-#9	21 6pm - Private/St.George-FH	22 6pm - Thanksgiving Concert
23 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship 12:15pm - Handbells #11 6pm - Thanksgiving Concert -	24 6pm - NO Caring Ministry 7pm - Worship Ministry - Zoom @	25 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH	26 12pm - Brown Bag & Bible-FH 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 7pm - Choir Practice	27 Holiday-Church office closed Thanksgiving Day Thanksgiving Feast Ruth - FH 7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's	28 Black Friday 6pm - Private/St.George-FH	29
30 1st Sunday of Advent 9am - Sunday School-All Ages 10:30am - Worship 12:15pm - Handbells #11	1 6pm - NO Caring Ministry 7pm - Worship Ministry - Zoom @	2 9:30am - PW Board Meeting- 10am - Private/FH-Christmas 5pm - YOGA-Chair-Narthex 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-Narthex 6:30pm - Private Girl Scout-FH	3 12pm - Brown Bag & Bible-FH 1pm - Prayer Shawl-#10 & Zoom 7pm - Choir Practice	4 7:30am - Men's Breakfast Frank's 11am - Intercessory Prayer-Library 12pm - Chain Stitchers-FH 5pm - YOGA-Chair-FH 6pm - Chain Stitchers-#9 6:15pm - YOGA-Floor-FH 6:30pm - Private-#10-HOA	5 6pm - Private/St.George-FH	6 8am - Private/St.George-S/FH 1pm - Private/FH-Christmas Party



Mission Statement

"Our mission is to live and share the good news of God's love, grace, and mercy in Jesus Christ, to equip people for discipleship and service, and to work for social justice and peace."

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