

## 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 Louis and Carol Ann McCaleb in honor of their 52nd wedding anniversary.

**Flowers...Spaces Available!** If you would like to donate flowers for the Sunday Worship Services, please sign your name on the **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); Mel Hutchinson; Edith Langdon; June Howard; Margaret Bardin; Jackee Baggott; Darlene Sprague; 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: 02/11/2018 - 132**

### FPC Event Calendar

Today, February 18	Worship	10:30 am
	NO YGAC	12:00 pm
	Handbells	12:15 pm
Monday, February 19	<b>Church Offices Closed - President's Day</b>	
Tuesday, February 20	Interfaith Manor Banquet at Iram's	6:30 pm
	Pilates	10:15 am
	Prayer Shawl	2:00 pm
	Yoga chair/standing	6:00 pm
	Yoga floor/mat	7:00 pm
Wednesday, February 21	Baywood Crossing	10:00 am
	Intercessory Prayer	11:00 am
	Brown Bag & Bible	12:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm
	Thursday, February 22	Men's Breakfast at Franks
Gathering Place/Common Ground		10:00 am
Pilates		10:15 am
Yoga chair/standing		6:00 pm
Spanish Bible Study		6:30 pm
Men's Bible Study		7:00 pm
Friday, February 23	Yoga floor/mat	7:00 pm
	Conclaves at Cho Yeh	5:00 pm
	Saturday February 24	Men's Breakfast
Sunday, February 25	Sunday School for all ages	9:00 am
	Worship - Matthew Beach preaching	10:30 am
	NO YGAC	12:00 pm
	Handbells	12:15 pm

## FRIDGE NOTES ~ February 18, 2018 ~ First Sunday in Lent

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*“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.”*

John 15:12

**We will be celebrating The Lord’s Supper today during the Worship Service.**

***Session Meeting is Monday, February 27, 2018 at 6:45 pm.***

***We welcome the Rev. Joan Gray to First Presbyterian Church!*** Joan served as the keynote and a workshop leader for yesterday’s Presbytery Leadership Enrichment gathering hosted by FPC. We are grateful for her presence again this morning as an adult Sunday School teacher and as today’s guest preacher. May God continue to bless our time together and Joan as she travels home to Atlanta this afternoon.

***A Lenten Invitation*** - Our Lenten journey to Easter began last week with the Ash Wednesday service. To deepen the experience of the season, you are invited to pick up resources on the glass table in the narthex. You will also find in your bulletin today (and each Sunday through Easter) a daily devotional for the coming week. Details of other opportunities for prayer and reflection in the coming season (including our own sanctuary prayer stations and annual Day of Silence & Solitude at Villa de Matel on March 20) may be found in the February newsletter.

***Sunday Morning Classes for All Ages Each Week at 9 a.m.*** There is a place at FPC for everyone (children, youth and adults) to grow in relationship with God and one another. Come find *your* home next Sunday morning. Look on the first bulletin board or in the newsletter for options and details.

***Interfaith Brotherhood Banquet*** is tomorrow, Monday, February 19, 6:30 pm at Iram’s Reception Hall. Tickets are \$10/each. See Lavinia Brown, Brian Davis, or Milo Wharry for details.

***FPC Youth Cho Yeh Bound Next Weekend!*** All eight youth (and four adults) who are registered for our annual retreat at Cho Yeh are reminded to meet in The Oasis at 4 p.m. this Friday, February 23, packed and ready to head to the piney woods of East Texas. We will return on Sunday, February 25, by 3 p.m. May God bless our time together as we learn, serve, play and pray with others from the Presbytery of New Covenant. We ask that our church family pray for us during the weekend retreat.

***Souper Bowl of Caring Update*** - Thanks to the faithful generosity of this congregation, the children and youth have now collected \$1,000 to pack low-cost nutritious meals through “Kids Against Hunger”. Our youth (and any interested adults) will be joining youth at St. Philip Presbyterian Church on Sunday, April 22, 2018 for another “packing party”. The \$1,000 will provide food for 4,000 servings! Watch for details if you’d like to go.

***Brown Bag Bible Study each Wednesday, from noon to 1 p.m. led by Pastor Jim Currie.*** All are invited to join the lively conversation over lunch in the fellowship hall.

***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. Come grow in strength, flexibility and balance...and invite a friend.

***Liturgist Training, Saturday, March 3, 10-12 noon*** - All who currently serve as liturgist (*and all who might be feeling called to serve*) are encouraged to meet in the sanctuary for a prayerful and practical interactive morning of spiritual enrichment. Questions? Contact Jim or Jo Ann Currie.

***Young at Heart trip to tour the Blue Bell Creamery in Brenham on Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>.*** We will have lunch at an outstanding local café and have a fun day with our friends. You don’t have to be a YAH member to join us, just have to be over 50. Let Jamie Jamison or Joan Gibertini know if you are interested! Road Trip!!

<p>The next Kairos Event is March 8-11, 2018. Cookies, letters and all art work is due, no later than March 7 at 7 PM. We only need 100 dozen cookies, letters by groups of 42 and all the money you can spare; no step for a stepper. Thank you in advance for what you do for the call of Christ. <span style="float: right;">Mark Corder</span></p>
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**Church offices will be closed tomorrow, Monday, February 19, in observance of President’s Day.**

**March Newsletter deadline is Tuesday, February 20.**