

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.*

WORSHIP TODAY

The Flowers today are given to the glory of God from the Worship Committee.

Sanctuary 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: Jackie & Granville Sydnor; Margaret Plunkett (Jim Currie's sister); Darlene Sprague; Dale Martin; Norma Dickey; Joannie King; Nola Bray; Pam Elliot (Joyce DeLoach's daughter); and Lou Anne Sinor.

Loss of loved one: Frank Ellis family - grandfather to Kassi, Chrissi, and Kensi Ellis
Amanda Dunn family - daughter-in-law of Elois Murray

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: 04/15/2018 - 118

THIS WEEK AT FPC

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| Today, April 22 | Worship | 10:30 am |
| | YGAC - St. Philip Presbyterian | 12:00 pm |
| | Handbells | 12:15 pm |
| Monday, April 23 | Session Meeting | 6:45 pm |
| Tuesday, April 24 | Pilates | 10:15 am |
| | Prayer Shawl | 2:00 pm |
| | Yoga chair/standing | 6:00 pm |
| | Yoga floor/mat | 7:00 pm |
| Wednesday, April 25 | Baywood Crossing | 10:00 am |
| | Intercessory Prayer | 11:00 am |
| | Brown Bag & Bible | 12:00 pm |
| | Choir Practice | 7:00 pm |
| Thursday, April 26 | Men's Breakfast at Franks | 7:00 am |
| | Gathering Place | 10:00 am |
| | Pilates | 10:15 am |
| | Spanish Bible Study | 6:30 pm |
| | Yoga chair/standing | 6:00 pm |
| | Yoga floor/mat | 7:00 pm |
| | Men's Bible Study | 7:00 pm |
| Friday, April 27 | Taizé Service @ Villa de Matel | 7:00 pm |
| Saturday, April 28 | Men's Breakfast | 8:00 am |
| Sunday, April 29 | Sunday School for ALL ages | 9:00 am |
| | Worship | 10:30 am |
| | YGAC | 12:00 pm |

FRIDGE NOTES - April 22, 2018 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

"...no more a stranger, or a guest, but like a child at home."

Glory to God #803

Sanctuary Open for Prayer... Are you seeking a place of peace and quiet? Whenever the building is open, the sanctuary is also open for prayer. You may feel called to spend time with the interactive prayer stations at the back of the sanctuary or simply sit in silence in a pew, reading and reflecting on scripture, the words to a hymn, or using one of the available prayer practice handouts. Come find your safe place to connect with God for a few minutes, an hour or an afternoon.

Kids (AND ADULTS!) Against Hunger "Packing Party" TODAY Following Worship. We'll eat sandwiches in the fellowship hall then travel to St. Philip Presbyterian Church to be part of a packing party with other youth and adults from our presbytery. Come be part of this intergenerational hands-on mission opportunity. *Thanks for helping "tackle" hunger in the name of Jesus Christ, one person at a time! We will return to FPC by 3:30 p.m.*

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. See the first bulletin board or newsletter for options.

Session Meets Tomorrow Night at 6:45. All session members are reminded to gather for prayerful planning tomorrow night. Nola Bray will offer the devotional. As always, the congregation is asked to keep this governing body in prayer as it seeks to follow the Spirit in the life and ministry of FPC.

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

Yoga Classes, Tuesday and Thursday evenings are thriving! The 6 p.m. classes are "chair/standing" yoga, the 7 p.m. classes are full mat yoga, including floor poses. Come practice good stewardship of your health as together we grow in strength, flexibility, balance, and peace.

Taizé Prayers at Villa de Matel, This Friday Evening, April 27, in the chapel of Villa de Matel, 6510 Lawndale, Houston. People of all ages are invited to experience this contemplative evening of music and prayers. The service begins at 7:30, with an organ prelude beginning at 7:10. Interested in caravanning or carpooling with the Curries? Please sign up on the glass table in the narthex to reserve your space. We will meet in the parking lot near the fellowship hall at 6:15.

Annual Garage Sale to Support Youth Ministry, Saturday, May 5. You may begin bringing your gently-used donations to the fellowship hall NEXT Sunday, April 29. Set-up will begin on Wednesday, May 2, at 5 p.m. and continue through Friday night, May 4. Please sign up in the narthex under the cross wall to find YOUR place to serve. It's hard work and LOTS of fun, too! Proceeds from the sale offset the cost of the youth summer mission trip, weekly gatherings, and camp and conferences for the coming year. Thank you for sharing your time and your treasures.

Early Childhood Program (ECP) News. Registration for the Fall semester has begun. If you know of a family looking for a loving mid-week ministry, please share this good news. Questions? Talk to Carrie Reed or Jo Ann Currie.

Grief Support Sessions - Every Thursday through May 3, 7-8 pm, Room 11. Tracey Cofield, LMSW, ACM, will lead a six week grief session, free of charge.

Men's Breakfast is this Saturday, May 28th, at 8:00 am.