

*DOXOLOGY: Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly
host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OFFERING *Psalm 19*
We offer back to you in gratitude in small measure, for all the great gifts
that you have given to us in large measure. Consecrate this offering for
the sake of your kingdom. Bless it for your purpose, O LORD. Amen.

Sharing of JOY and CONCERNS of the CONGREGATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN UNISON

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we
forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us
from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Go Out as God's People in the World

*Closing Hymn HoF 291: "Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult"

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

If you are visiting today, we thank you for coming and hope you
enjoy the "Welcome Packet" provided by our Church Greeter.
Please indicate your contact information in the black pew pad, so that
we can send you a note and call about a potential visit with our new
pastor, who is visiting everyone in the congregation she can!
Be sure to also let us know if you have any prayer needs!

PLEASE NOTE: Assisted Listening Devices are available in the
Sanctuary during Worship. For instructions, please see the Greeter.

Attended Nursery (lower level) from 9:30am–Noon for children thru
kindergarten. *(No peanut products in the nursery please!)*

Junior Church (lower level) for gr. 1-5, following the children's message
(except for weeks when congregation celebrates communion together!)

After Worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall for
coffee, light refreshments, and friendly conversation!



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CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Hufford

Elder Assisting: Chuck Long

Today's Musician: Collin Richardson

Nursery: Linda Flowers & Katie Slaymaker

Junior Church: Tami, Elise, & Anna Conrad

Lord's Day Worship

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

October 27, 2019

Worship, 10:45 a.m.

Please refer to "Hymns of Faith" (HoF).

Gathering of God's People

RINGING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

WELCOME: *Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ,
that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you,
our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.*

GREETING AND SHARING GOD'S PEACE

*As God has greeted us with his peace,
so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.*

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP *(Please sign & pass the black pew pads)*

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Also See Old First News Bulletin Insert)*

PRELUDE

INTROIT

**Please Stand if Able.*

by FPC Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 19:1-4a

The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they reveal knowledge.
They have no speech, they use no words;
no sound is heard from them.
Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.

*Hymn of Praise HoF 46: "Fairest Lord Jesus"

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION:** *Unison* Psalm 19:7-9, 11-14a
"The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the LORD are trustworthy; making wise the simple. The precepts of the LORD are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are radiant, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the LORD are firm, and all of them are righteous... By them your servant is warned; in keeping them there is great reward. But who can discern their own error? Forgive my hidden faults. Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over. Then I will be blameless innocent of great transgression. May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight." Amen. *(Pause for silent confession.)*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalm 19:14b

You, Jesus, are the "LORD, my Rock and Redeemer." Though I have not stood firm in the faith, you are faithful. Though I have sinned, you died on the cross to forgive our sin. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI / RESPONSE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen, Amen.

Proclamation of God's Word

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

by Jennifer Ladd

(Please pick up children after worship from Jr Church in Chr Ed wing lower level.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE: John 1:29-34 & 19:28-37 N.T. pg. No. 88 & 108
1 John 4:19-5:13 N.T. pg. No. 224

SERMON: "Three Testify: the Spirit, the Water, and the Blood"
By The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford

Response to God's Word

*Hymn of Response HoF 299: "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** *Unison* "The Apostles' Creed"
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen!

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

PRAYER LIST:

Please call the Pastor, Office, or an Elder for any prayer needs and emergencies. Call the office at 740-927-4796 and leave a message for changes in the weekly prayer list, updates or announcements.

Congrats to Sarah (Witt) & Brandon Bailey on the 10/20/19 birth of baby girl "Becca Bailey" weighing in at 3 lbs. 10 oz. / mom and baby are doing well / Becca will spend 4-8 weeks in NICU because of early deliver, but doing well!

Sympathies to Steve & Kae Merold's Family on the recent passing of Kae's brother, Alan;

Justin Hicks (Pat Landis' Grandson) custody of 4 yr. old daughter, Maddy; Darrell Glenn (Marshall's brother) pray for successful iron infusions to improve his hemoglobin levels, his strength and appetite and lift his spirits;

Pat L. – keep her in prayer as she heads to Arizona for the Winter;

Kim Lightle, upcoming shoulder surgery on Nov. 4th;

Steve Lowe (Goldstein's friend) recovering from triple heart bypass surgery; Dick Lord, by-pass surgery was unsuccessful / doctor wants Dick to do an intensive therapy walking program to see if the veins will open up;

Bobby Lutz, pray for peace in his final days fighting cancer;

Diana Mock, recent diagnosis of breast cancer / chemo / targeted therapy;

Jerika Ransomer (Hungerford's granddaughter) in the military / pray for safety of unborn baby / mother thrown by S. California earthquake;

Anthony Violi (Joyce Mathews' Dad) age 101, now in temporary Assisted Living, after falling and breaking multiple ribs;

Church Family & Friends with Cancer: Darrell Glenn (Marshall's brother), Jerry Joyner (De Spaulding's in-law), Larry Francis (Goldstein's friend); Bobby Lutz (Karen J's brother), Michelle McCarthy (De's Family Member), Diana Mock, Ann Parkinson (Pam's sister), Heath Robertson (community member), Bill Swift (Nancy Lord's bro.)

Church & Family Members at Home/Care Centers: Connie & Victor DeRose, Faye Hammond, Claudia Johnston, Joan Mauger, Anne Nixon

Safety of Members & Family Serving in Military: CPO John Vincent

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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| 3 Daniel Beckner, Faye Hammond | |
| 6 Linda Goldstein | 7 Chuck & Barb Long |
| 8 Madelyn Gundler, Tom Johnston | |
| 9 Karen Johnston | 11 Brandy Schwab |
| 12 Connie DeRose | 14 Rob & Susan Rawls |
| 15 Loren Kimble | 17 Curtis & Fran Hungerford |
| 20 Tami Conrad | 23 Sue Gualtieri |
| 24 Kelly Cruse, Natalie Wildman | |

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WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- SUNDAY:** Sunday School 9:30-10:30am for adults in FH
Worship at 10:45 am with fellowship following
Scouts Pack #4021, 6-8pm FH
- MONDAY:** Clogging 7:30-8:30 p.m. basement activity room;
- WEDS:** Karate Class, 6:30-8pm FH
Bible Study: 6th-12th gr & adults @ 6:30-7:30pm CE wing
Choir practice 7:30-8:30pm sanctuary
- THURSDAY:** Session Meetings, 7pm – normally 2nd Th Each Month
Girl Scouts Troop 386 6-9pm (every other week) FH
- FRIDAY:** Brownies, 6:30-8:30pm (every other week) CE wing
- **Founder's Day Luncheon: Sunday, November 3rd**
 - **Next Session Meeting: Thursday, November 14 at 7pm**
 - **Next Berean Meeting: Thursday, December 5 at Noon**
 - **Next Lord's Day Communion: Sunday, Jan 5th at 10:45am**

Giving Totals for Sunday – Oct. 20: Deacons \$47

Mission: Local \$200 /Samaritan's purse \$104 Plate: \$1,123

Past Attendance & PLATE Offering - Budget needs \$3,700 plate offering weekly

Sept. 29; 47/\$3,398 Oct. 6: 50/\$4,294 Oct. 14: 61/\$9,453 Oct. 20: 51/\$1,123

TODAY'S Fellowship For All Ages:

Pizza & Games graduation celebration at completion of God & Me and God & Family projects by children grades 1-5! Congratulations amazing kids of FPC!



Halloween Community Outreach, Thurs. 10-31, 6-8 p.m.

YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION!

Grades 6th-12th "green room" Christian Ed wing
Weds. 6:30-7:30pm

ADULT EDUCATION

SUNDAYs 9:30am FH & WEDNESDAYs 6:30pm next to Nursery
On the Fruit of the Spirit

SERMON MOVIE ILLUSTRATION FROM
A Pureflix Movie – "Do You Believe?"



COMMUNION AND SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICES

The sacrament of communion is traditionally shared on Holy Days found on the liturgical calendar. Holy Days celebrate the anniversary dates of historical and theological significance, derived from Scripture. Though FPC typically offers communion on the 1st Sunday each month, now some of these Holy Days are selected, as explained below.

November 24th is the next date selected for communion at FPC following world communion Sunday in October. Although communion has been typically celebrated on the first Sunday of the month, such is often not the case when we celebrate Founder's Day. The 24th is now selected as an alternative communion Sunday in November, which precedes Thanksgiving, a national holiday when people gather around the table to give thanks, just as we do at communion! In fact, the Greek word for Thanksgiving is a word that we use for communion: EUCCHARISTO or Eucharist! Also, November 24th is Christ the King Sunday, a holy day on the liturgical calendar, celebrating Christ as Our King and Lord, which immediately precedes the season of Advent,

Since communion will have just occurred on November 24th and Advent is traditionally a period of fasting and preparation for the church, communion will not occur during Advent in December.

December 24th is **Christmas Eve**. Although we do not share the Lord's Supper, we gather together in community for special worship at **7pm**, celebrating the anniversary of the birth of God incarnate in the Christ child, who came as The Light into this world of darkness. That night we signify our joining with him spreading the faith, by lighting candles and singing "Silent Night" and hearing the account of his birth.

January 5th is the Holy Day of Epiphany, when we hear the Biblical account of the Magi bringing gifts to the Christ child. It is also the 1st

Sunday of the new calendar year, when we celebrate anew the gift of the Christ child to us, fellow children and heirs in the kingdom!

February 23rd is the Holy Day of Transfiguration Sunday, when we hear the Biblical account of how Jesus reflected the glory of the Father in the presence of Peter, James, and John, along with Moses and Elijah. This Holy Day immediately precedes Lent, which like Advent is a period of fasting and preparation.

February 26th is special worship at **7pm** on **Ash Wednesday**, when we literally mark with ashes the beginning of a period of preparation. During Lent, we pray and ready ourselves to remember the final events of Jesus' life on earth as Lord and Savior: his Last Passover Supper and death upon the cross to save us from our sin.

Since the season of Lent is traditionally and liturgically a period of fasting and preparation for the church, communion will not occur during Lent in March.

April 9th is the Holy Day of **Maundy Thursday**, the anniversary of Jesus' last Passover supper before his death the next day, referred to as Good Friday. In remembrance of him, like he instructed his disciples at the Last Supper, we gather as his disciples at the Lord's Table for worship at **7pm** and hear of this Biblical account.

May 3rd is the first Sunday of May, but also the 4th Sunday of the Easter season. The weeks of Easter are always an appropriate time to share as the church the joyful feast instituted by Christ, to affirm his death and resurrection and his living with the Father in heaven, and to remember that as his children we too have the promise of the resurrection for eternal life with the Father and the Son.

June 7th is the first Sunday of June, but is also Trinity Sunday, following the Easter season, remembering the 40 days of Jesus' resurrection appearances. The final resurrection appearance occurs at Jesus' ascension into heaven. 10 days after Jesus' ascension comes the Jewish festival of Pentecost, 50 days after the Jewish Passover, period when Jesus suffered death and was crucified to save us from our sins. Trinity Sunday, following all these major Holy Days: Easter, Ascension, and Pentecost, is a climatic time in the liturgical year to celebrate communion as a church family.



Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

It's that time of year to reach inside our hearts and give children across the world the gift of Christmas!

SHOEBOX COLLECTION DATES:

November 18 - 25, 2018

Pre-Printed Shoeboxes, the forms and instructional pamphlets are now available on the front pew display.

Please return boxes by Sunday, Nov. 17th!



IN HISTORIC
DOWNTOWN
PATASKALA

“Main Street Christmas”

Saturday, December 7
3:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Once again, our church will host this event, providing chicken noodle soup, bread & cookies.

HERE IS A LIST OF DONATIONS & VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

- *Chicken broth (Any brand is appreciated!)
- *Cookies (*Sign-up sheet will be posted for cookies and volunteers*)
- *Float Decorators
- *Greeters
- *Volunteers to pass out Cookies
- *Volunteer kitchen helpers to serve, bus tables, make coffee and clean up!

Founder's Day Potluck Luncheon

The meat & dessert will be provided.
We are asking members of the congregation to participate by bringing a side dish to share.



Sunday, Nov. 3, 2019

Following Worship – We hope to see you there!
The Parade begins at 10:30 a.m. (please meet in the North parking lot at 10:15 a.m. to assemble.)