

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

***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

Jesus, let your light shine before others in these offerings that we bring, that darkness might be overcome, and the kingdom of heaven might come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

PRAYER of JOYS 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 499: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

If you are visiting today, we thank you for coming and hope you enjoy the "**Welcome Packet**" provided by our Church Greeter.

There is also a special "Welcome Packet" for children.

Childcare offered Sundays 9:30 – Noon in the Lower Level Nursery.

(There are no peanut products in the nursery.)

Junior Church for PreK-5 next to nursery, after children's msg

(Pick up PreK-5th after worship from Jr Church in lower level next to nursery.)

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



Chinese/English Bilingual Bible Study after worship in Berean Room

Adult Education on "Fruit of the Spirit"

Sundays (not 2/23) 9:30am in Fellowship Hall

& Wednesdays (not 2/19) 6:30pm CE room

Youth Group: (gr 4-12) Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm activity rm

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[Others to Come and See What Good God is Doing at FPC!](#)



To request recordings of worship services, please contact the church office. Some sermon manuscripts can be found on the FPC website.

Please supply your contact information in the black pew pad.

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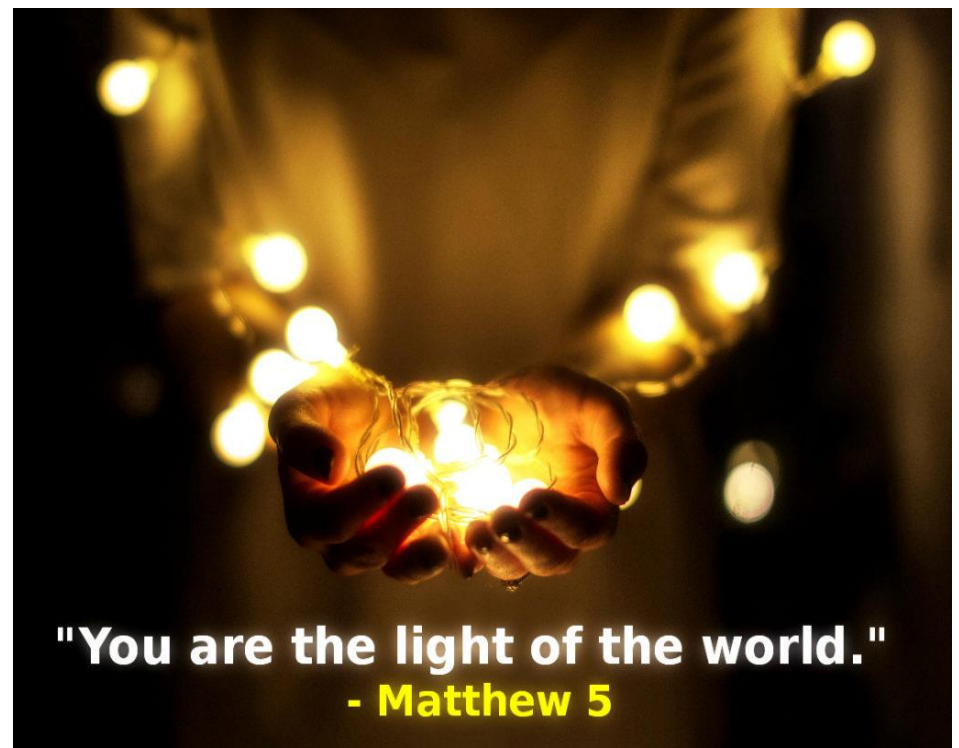
February 16, 2020

FOR PASTORAL CARE, PLEASE CALL:

The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford at 412-877-9310

From 2/19 thru 2/22 while Pastor Janet is away on leave,

Reverend Kae or Steve Merold @ home 740-927-9308



"You are the light of the world."

- Matthew 5

CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Hufford

Elder Assisting: Kathy Wallace

Today's Musician: Laura Keesor

Nursery thru PreK: Linda Flowers & Keegan Horn

Junior Church PreK-5th: Susan Baird & Rob Rawls

Communion Servers: *(next week)*

Tami Conrad; Curt & Fran Hungerford; Ken Mathews

Lord's Day Worship

February 16, 2020

Worship, 10:45am

Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during
Worship. If you need instructions, please see the Greeter.

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

**Please Stand if Able.*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 49:1b, 6b

Before I was born the LORD called me;

from my mother's womb he has spoken my name.

I will also make you a light for the Gentiles,

that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

*Hymn of Praise HoF 108: "Thy Word Have I Hid in My Heart"

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Unison* *Isaiah 49*

Lord, forgive us when we believe that you have labored in vain. When we believe that you have forgotten us. Forgive us when we dwell on our afflictions, instead of your great love. Amen.

(Pause for silent confession.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON *Isaiah 49:8a, 9a, 13b*

This is what the LORD says: "In the time of my favor I will answer you, and in the day of salvation I will help you... I will... say to the captives, 'come out,' and to those in darkness, 'Be free!'" For the LORD comforts his people and will have compassion on his afflicted ones. Through Christ is our salvation. 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 Celler O'Toole

(Pick up PreK-5th gr. after worship from Jr Church in lower level next to nursery.)

CALL TO GOD'S WORD *Unison* John 10:35 & Romans 4:3

"Scripture cannot be set aside... What does Scripture say?"

“经上的话是不能废的... “经上说甚麽呢?”

“Jīng shàng dehuà shì bù néng fèide... Jīng shàng shuō shénme ne?”

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL: **Matthew 5:13-16:** *Unison*

You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

EPISTLE: **Romans 12:1-8** *N.T. pg. 1616*

SERMON: "Let Your Light Shine Before Others"

by The Reverend Dr. Janet Hufford

Response to God's Word

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Unison* "2nd Helvetic Confession 5.128-9"

The Church Militant upon the earth has always had many particular churches. Yet all these are to be referred to the unity of the catholic Church. This [Militant] Church was set up differently before the Law among the patriarchs; otherwise under Moses by the Law; and differently by Christ through the Gospel. Generally, two peoples are usually counted, namely, the Israelites and Gentiles, or those who have been gathered from among Jews and Gentiles into the Church. There are also two Testaments, the Old and the New. Yet from all these people there was and is one fellowship, one salvation in the one Messiah; in whom, as members of one body under one Head, all united together in the same faith, partaking also of the same spiritual food and drink. Yet here we acknowledge a diversity of times, and a diversity in the signs of the promised and delivered Christ; and that now the ceremonies being abolished, the light shines unto us more clearly, and blessings are given to us more abundantly, and a fuller liberty.

*Hymn of Response HoF 110: "O Word of God Incarnate"



Next Lord's Day Communion:
Sunday, Feb 23 at 10:45am

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.

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.

February 26th 7:30pm is a special Wednesday service to mark the beginning of Lent, preparation for Easter. In Matthew 6:16-18 the words of Jesus instruct us not to disfigure, but instead to wash our face, therefore, ashes will not be applied. Also, since Lent is a period of fasting, communion will not occur during the season.

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.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 5 to 7 pm

Suggested Donation: Adults - \$ 7

(unlimited pancakes, waffles & 2 sausages)

Kids under 10 - \$5 (unlimited pancakes & 1 sausage)

FREE refills on coffee & tea! Proceeds go to the Benevolence Fund.

To help those in need please donate when able gasoline, grocery, and other gifts cards (with \$ worth indicated)



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.

Sympathy for Robert Holland & family upon the death of his mother.

Prayers for young people in our church, community and families.

Prayers for China, especially churches and missionaries.

Prayers for those affected in the cold/flu season.

Keegan Horn, needing surgery for dislocated shoulder;

Church Family & Friends with Cancer: Tom Bourne stage 4 (Goldstein's friend); Ruby Caudill stage 4 (Goldstein's friend); Cindy Fleming (Celler's friend); Larry Francis (Goldstein's friend); Darrell Glenn (Marshall's brother); Jerry Joyner (De Spaulding's in-law); Laura L. (O'Toole's friend); Doris M. (David O's Aunt); Michelle McCarthy (De's Family Member); Mac McIntosh (Tom J's nephew); Diana Mock;

Church & Family Mbrs at Home/Care Centers: Connie & Victor DeRose, Faye Hammond, Claudia Johnston, Joan Mauer, Pat Morrison, Anne Nixon

Safety of Members & Family Serving in Military: CPO John Vincent; John Wallake (Edith's grandson); Peter Witt

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 17 Gage (Slaymaker) Marcum 18 Leslie Crawford
- 19 Karen Cruse, Barbara Hammond
- 20 Jim Boggs, AJ Harvell, Barb Long 23 Genie Dixon, Clayton Etter

Giving Totals for Sun – 2/9: Deacons \$35 Plate: \$2,702.50

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

Jan. 26: 34/\$1,892 Feb 2: 57/\$3,685 Feb 9: 59/\$2,702.50

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WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

SUNDAY: Sunday School for adults 9:30-10:30am FH (not 2/23);
Worship & Jr Church 10:45am with fellowship after
Chinese/English Bilingual Bible Study noon Berean rm

MONDAY: Clogging, 7:30-8:30pm basement activity room
WEDS: Karate Class, 6:30-8pm FH;
Bible Study: adults 6:30-7:30pm CE rm (not 2/19);
Youth Group (gr 4-12) 6:30-7:30pm activity rm
Choir Rehearsal 7:30-8:30pm CE rm

THURSDAY: Session Mtg, 7pm CE rm – normally 2nd Th Each Month;
Next Session Mtg: Thur, March 12 7pm CE room
Girl Scout Troop 386, 6-9pm FH (every other week)

FRIDAY: Brownie Troop, 6:30-8:30pm CE rm (every other week)

Spiritual Gifts: Check only items that best describe you. Every statement is positive, yet not choosing a statement is not a negative reflection of you.

Name: _____	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	
I prefer ministering by myself rather than in a group. - G							_____	
People often say I am impulsive and direct. - F						_____		
My financial resources are above average. - A	_____							
I like to counsel people on a short term basis. - D				_____				
I am a task-oriented person. - G							_____	
I love directing other people's work. - B		_____						
It's natural for me to show kindness to people. - E					_____			
People learn easily from me. - C			_____					
I can be very persuasive. - F						_____		
More than 10% of income goes for Christian causes. - A	_____							
People often follow my advice. - D				_____				
I normally use several resources in study and preparation. - C			_____					
I like to recruit and lead people. - B		_____						
One-on-one relationships are important to me. - E					_____			
I possess a variety of talents and abilities. - G							_____	
I want to measure everything by God's Word. - F						_____		
Material possessions don't mean much to me. - A	_____							
Discouraged people are encouraged by my words. - D				_____				
Being accurate and truthful are important to me. - C			_____					
I love accomplishing an organizational goal. - G							_____	
The spiritual welfare of others genuinely concerns me. - D				_____				
I usually make quick decisions. - F						_____		
I look for ways to help the downtrodden. - E					_____			
Criticism doesn't bother me. - C			_____					
I often volunteer my time and talents to causes. - G							_____	
I am usually self-confident. - B		_____						
I don't expect repayment for favors I do for others. - E					_____			
I enjoy being responsible for a group's success. - B		_____						
When a question about truth arises, I am normally right. - F						_____		
I usually meet deadlines on time. - B		_____						
People in pain are comforted by my presence. - D				_____				
TOTAL EACH COLUMN								