

Announcements for the week of January 14, 2018

Deacon on Call: Paul Laskowske & George Vieth

This Week at FPCC

Sunday, January 14

- 8:30 AM Early Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 10:55 AM Fellowship Worship Service, F Hall
- Late Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 12:15 PM Coffee/Coke Fellowship, Library/Lounge
- Flower Arranging/Delivery, Nell Davis

Monday, January 15

Church Offices Closed

Tuesday, January 16

- 9:30 AM Precept Bible Study, Tower 402/3
- Women of the Covenant, Poindexter
- 9:45 AM GAP Bible Study, Junior Dept.
- 12:00 PM Beatitude Living, Tower 404
- 5:45 PM Fireside/Bonded Dinner, Nell Davis
- 6:30 PM Fireside/Bonded Bible Study

Wednesday, January 17

- 9:30 AM M.O.P.S., Nell Davis
- 3:15 PM English Conversation Class, Student Ctr
- 4:30 PM Deacon-on-Call Appts., Deacon Office
- 5:00 PM World Missions Prayer Time, Tower 404
- 5:30 PM Fellowship Meal, Fellowship Hall
(Spaghetti)
- 6:15 PM Prayer Service, Poindexter
- Rapha Fellowship Classes, 3rd Flr Tower
- 6:30 PM Midweek Ministry, Various
- Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, January 18

Friday, January 19

- 8:30 AM Salvation Army Ministry
- 12:00 PM Card-E-Ology, Tower 10th Floor

Saturday, January 20

MIDWEEK KICKS OFF WITH CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT

Wednesday, January 17
Dinner begins at 5:30pm.
Check your email for details.

NOTE:

*Church offices will be closed on Monday, January 15
in honor of Martin Luther King Day.
Deacons' meeting is moved to Monday, January 22.*



First Presbyterian Church

Worshippers of Jesus Christ – Who we are
Missions and Discipleship – What we do

Matthew 28:16-20

WORLD MISSIONS

Let us see that we keep God before our eyes; that we walk in His ways and seek to please and glorify Him in everything, great and small. Depend upon it, God's work, done in God's way, will never lack God's supplies. —David Livingstone (1832-1905), English missionary to China

NEW YEAR OF MINISTRY

The ministry of World Missions begins its new budget year this month (January through December). THANK YOU for your abundant generosity in support of this ministry that is seeing people groups across the world gathering in new churches and becoming disciples for the glory of God.

2017 WM Receipts: \$910,365

2017 WM Expenses: \$898,234

2017 WM Budget: \$880,000

Note: Extra expense due to the addition of a non-budgeted short-term team that was approved during the year.

2018 WM Budget: \$923,000

Pledges to Date: \$587,934 (64 percent)

Number of Pledges: 147

NEW CHURCH IN FRANCE

FPCC partners and church planters, Paul and Karan Davis, announce the official organization of the *Eglise Protestante Evangélique de Pontcharra* that took place on December 3 in the presence of 29 believers. For some, it was the culmination of 17 years of prayer and perseverance. For all in attendance, it was a time to rejoice in God's faithfulness. We give praise to the Lord for his continuing graciousness to the French people and for Paul and Karan's devotion to seeing gospel-centered churches started with the Evangelical Protestant Church in France. The Davises moved to Pontcharra in December 2010 and have been supported by First Presbyterian World Missions since January 1984.

SAVE THE DATE: FEBRUARY 15

MTW Luncheon - 11:30am-1pm

Mission to the World (MTW) will host a luncheon at FPCC on Thursday, February 15, for those who are interested in hearing about MTW's work, its new approach to ministry, and its ten-year goals. Confirmed speakers are David Campbell, Cartee Bales, and Barbara Jones. To reserve a place at the luncheon please go to <https://mtwchattanooga.eventbrite.com> or contact the World Missions Office by February 8.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

The *Kid Check* check-in and -out system is in place for children ages 4 years old through 5th grade during the Sunday School hour. Please check your child(ren) in at the Douglas Street entrance Welcome Center and then escort your him/her/them to their respective Sunday School rooms. At the conclusion of the Sunday School hour, you'll need to pick-up your child. We are asking that parents/guardians not siblings or older children pick-up their child(ren). Thank you for making the protection of our children a priority!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

WOMEN OF THE COVENANT

Beginning Tuesday, January 9th we will study *From Garden to Glory* by Courtney Doctor, speaker for the PCA women's regional "ONE" Conference. This is a study of the "one story" of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. The study meets in the Poindexter Room from 9:30-11:30 each week. New women are warmly invited to join us. For more information and to get a book, contact Sandy Hartley at lorshartley@comcast.net or (423) 505-2900.

PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY

Begins January 16th, 9:30am-11:30am in Tower 402/3. Our study is on Galatians and Ephesians, *Freedom From Bondage God's Way*. Led by Billie Campbell, it is a 13-week study written by Kay Arthur and the cost is \$10.

FIRESIDE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Eight week Bible study beginning **Tuesday, Jan. 16th**

5:45 dinner \$7:00 (optional)

6:30-7:30 small group discussion

We will be studying *Transforming Grace* by Jerry Bridges, "a study of living in the light of God's Grace and seeing His hand transform our lives".

Books will be available in the Connector on Jan. 14th for \$12. Contact Betsy Silberman for more information, 423-903-4259.

LET'S DO LUNCH!

Thursday, January 25, 2018

Whole Foods - 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

All ladies are invited for a casual time of building friendships. *Children welcome!*

ONE TOGETHER

A new approach to togetherness!

February 3, 2018, 9:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

FPCC Youth Building - Lunch Provided

Register by emailing fpccwomen@gmail.com.

MIDWEEK KICKOFF

Wednesday, January 17

5:30 (dinner), 6:10 (program)

All Midweek Ministries will be together for an evening of wonderful unity, fellowship, yummy food, and lots of fun.

NOTE: You will NOT have to pre-register for dinner this year. Meals will cost \$6 (adult), \$4 (12 and up), and \$3 (11 and under). ***Meal Scholarships available for church families upon request.***

BUDGET UPDATE

Our Sovereign God and His faithful people/A celebration and a challenge:

December marked the end of the 3rd quarter for the Deacon's Budget and as of 12/31, we have reached 84% of our need in revenue. While that looks pretty good, we realize the last quarter is always the most difficult time to raise the rest of the funds. It is often a time church giving declines. We challenge everyone to remember the needs of our church and outreach programs first. Please complete your pledge, be sure to give from the heart, and if you've been especially blessed this year, make an extra gift this quarter. We still need \$307,000 to meet our needs and complete our ministry goals for this year. Thank you to all who invest in First Presbyterian Church and in the Kingdom of God.

WOMEN'S PCA CONFERENCE

The PCA Women's Ministry is having a Regional "ONE" Conference at New City Fellowship on October 5-6, 2018. Courtney Doctor, former Women's Ministry Director for Kirk of the Hills Presbyterian Church and author of the Bible study *From Garden to Glory*, is the speaker. The cost is \$75 (\$40 for high school and college age students) and includes lunch on Saturday. You may attend preconference workshops on Friday afternoon for an additional \$25. Registration opens on January 1st. Early registration deadline is August 24. After that the cost is \$100 and \$50 for students. There are only 400 seats so it will fill up early. To register beginning January 1st, go to pcacdm.org, women's ministry, then events.

FLOWER MINISTRY

Flowers will be arranged & delivered today following the late worship service by the Precept Bible Study. All volunteers are welcome.

FPC SERMONS

- Access Sermon Audio and/or Video anytime at www.FPCChatt.org. Click on Resources.
- For CDs and DVDs, please contact Seth Pangle, 648-7934 or seth@1stpresbyterian.com.