

Church Hacks

New here? It can be tough to feel at home in a new church. Stop by and say hi at our Connect Center in the sanctuary entrance. Or fill out a welcome card in the pew rack in front of you and drop it in the offering plate, and - if you'd like - let us know how to get in touch with you. We're glad you're here.

Got kids? Little ones - infant through preschool - can be checked in before worship in Room 123. Kindergarten - 6th graders meet upstairs for "kids' church." Middle and Senior high school students meet upstairs in Room 226. Kids are also welcome to stay with you for worship. If you need help knowing where to go, don't hesitate to ask. Our Connect Center hosts in the sanctuary entrance will assist you.

Christmas Eve at 5 PM

Families celebrate Jesus' birth with the singing of carols, a children's Christmas pageant, and a brief message by Pastor Dale!

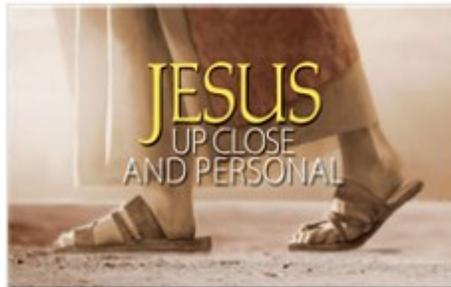


After worship service, join us in Ingram Hall for a quick snack and a simple craft to take home as a treasured 2019 memento!

New Sermon Series Starting January 12

The Gospel of John presents the person of Jesus in a dynamic and intimate way. It is an invitation to see for ourselves who Jesus is with the possibility of discovering a new beginning and new life by believing in him.

2020 WINTER, LENT & EASTER
SERMON SERIES



Isaiah 11:1-11 CEB (Common English Bible)

A shoot will grow up from the stump of Jesse; a branch will sprout from his roots. The Lord's spirit will rest upon him, a spirit of wisdom and understanding, a spirit of planning and strength, a spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord. He will delight in fearing the Lord. He won't judge by appearances, nor decide by hearsay. He will judge the needy with righteousness, and decide with equity for those who suffer in the land. He will strike the violent with the rod of his mouth; by the breath of his lips he will kill the wicked. Righteousness will be the belt around his hips, and faithfulness the belt around his waist. The wolf will live with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the young goat; the calf and the young lion will feed together, and a little child will lead them. The cow and the bear will graze. Their young will lie down together, and a lion will eat straw like an ox. A nursing child will play over the snake's hole; toddlers will reach right over the serpent's den. They won't harm or destroy anywhere on my holy mountain. The earth will surely be filled with the knowledge of the Lord, just as the water covers the sea. On that day, the root of Jesse will stand as a signal to the peoples. The nations will seek him out, and his dwelling will be glorious. On that day, the Lord will extend his hand a second time to reclaim the survivors of God's people who are left from Assyria and from Egypt, from Pathros, Cush, Elam, Shinar, Hamath, and from the coastlands of the sea.

John 14:27

"Peace I leave with you. My peace I give you. I give to you not as the world gives. Don't be troubled or afraid."

Ephesians 2:14, 17

Christ is our peace. He made both Jews and Gentiles into one group. With his body, he broke down the barrier of hatred that divided us.

When he came, he announced the good news of peace to you who were far away from God and to those who were near.

Notes:

December 22, 2019 ~ 10:30 AM
Fourth Sunday of Advent

We Come Together

We Sing

*Angels We Have Heard On High
God With Us*

We Live into Community

Profile of Faith: Erika Wong
Lighting of the Advent Candle
Wait For The Lord

We Say Hello

We Hear God's Word

Isaiah 11:1-11; John 14:27; Ephesians 2:11-18

“Justice and Peace for All”

The Power of A Promise 2019 Advent Sermon Series

We Respond With All We Have

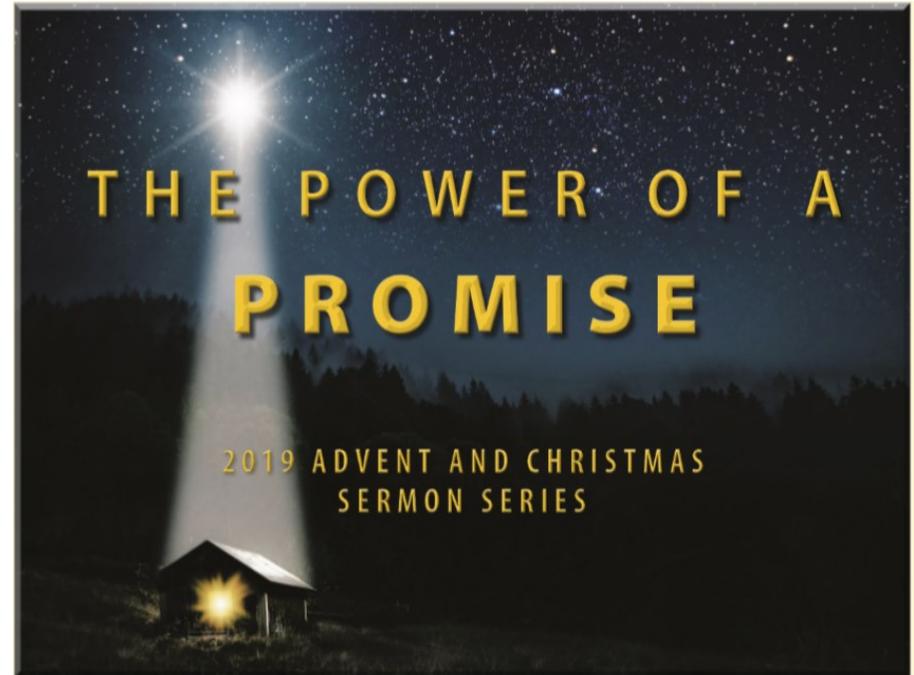
This Is Our God
Morning Prayer
Offering

We Head Out Into the World

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice!
Benediction

Preaching: Emily Stockert
Worship Leader: Dale Flowers
Scripture Reader: Chuck Stark
Music Leader: Chris Studer

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church



Welcome to FPC — we are glad you made it. We hope you feel at home here.

Whether you are unwinding from the weekend or getting ready for the week ahead, we invite you to take the next hour to re-center and connect with the living God. Don't worry about trying to impress anyone or think you have to know it all, no one here has it all together.

If you brought kids with you — great! We have a nursery for infants; a play area for pre-school; a kid's church program for Kindergarten through sixth grade; and *Sunday Rendezvous* for middle and high school students. You are also welcome to have them stay with you for worship.

After worship we invite you to stick around — enjoy some treats, introduce yourself, and make some new friends. After all — this thing called life is easier when we do it together.

Pastor Dale