

What's Happening at FFPC

Children's Sunday School and Worship Information

Class begins at 10AM and children return to worship after the sermon where they are welcome to either sit with their parents or with Miss Tina. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tina Ritchie or Kate Kirkey.

Youth Group & Confirmation Class Schedule

Meetings are typically Sundays unless noted

Sign up for special events on the youth bulletin board or email tina@ffpc.org.

Friends are always welcome; a parental consent form is needed for offsite events.

February

Sun 25: Youth Group 2-5pm "Justice"

March

Sun 3: Youth Group 2-4pm "Hospitality"

Sun 17: Youth Group 2-4pm "Compassion"

We welcome you all to come to the 2024 Lenten Simple Meals. Thursday night in Lent beginning on Thursday, February 22nd. Dinner will begin at 5:30pm and the learning time will begin at 6pm. We will end our time together with music and prayer.

We are especially excited that St. Jude's Episcopal Church will be joining us for meals and learning. And Reverend Susan Anslow Williams will be joining Pastor's Robbie and Lindsey in leading the discussions

Lent is traditionally a time of self-reflection and action that prepares followers of Christ to walk more intentionally in the way of God. Many of us want to understand how to integrate our personal spiritual lives more actively with our engagement in working for justice and expressing compassion to the oppressed and marginalized. We will be studying together a book called *Hard and Holy Work*, by Pastor Mary Alice Birdwhistell and Hebrew Bible scholar Tyler Mayfield.

Together we will begin a unique Lenten journey, trying to see those who are marginalized or suffering as God sees them; contemplating how privilege, fear, risk, and feelings of uncertainty can cloud our attention; and practice endurance for the messy middle of justice work, leaning on God's provision and rest when the way forward is unclear.

We will challenge each other to become more attuned to God's boundless presence in our world and wake up to and take action for God's justice through exploring stories from the book of Exodus. We hope that you can join us.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study Led by Pastor Robbie Carnes, meets at 11am in the Conference Room. We are studying 'Discovering the Bible' by Kerygma.

2024 Women's Study - Twelve More Women of the Bible:

Life-Changing Stories for Women Today

Wednesday Mornings, through March 20 from 10am - noon in Fellowship Hall

Facilitated by Tina Ritchie

OR

Monday Evenings, through March 25 - 6:30 - 8pm, ZOOM only

Facilitated by Dee Dee Ainsworth

Participant guide \$11

Everyone is encouraged to invite a friend to join us! See Tina Ritchie to join the group.

Sunday Evening Bible Study Led by Rabbi Larry Zimpler - Sunday evenings from 5 - 6:15PM in the conference room at 4square Tax & Accounting.

This group is reading the book "Flood and Fury: Old Testament Violence and Shalom of God" by Matthew J. Lynch. This book discusses how the destruction and killing in the Old Testament (Joshua and the Flood) can cause us to question whether God is true and just.

"Create Your Calm" wellness posters are available in Fellowship Hall. Please take as many as you'd like for your home, place of work, school, or friends. Taking moments each day to breathe, center, do simple stretches, and relax can make all the difference in your interactions with self and others!

Book Binders book club would like to thank all who "decorated" our 2023 Giving Tree with gifts of children's mittens, hats, socks, undergarments, pajamas and other articles of clothing.

Your response was overwhelming, with a total of 227 items donated.

This year we decided to divide the items in half, and distribute them to both the Community Share program located in the World of Wonder, as well as to the Center of Hope.

Both of these organizations support local families in and around our areas, and were very thankful and grateful for the generous donations.

We have updated our Samaritas Amazon Registry to reflect the needs of our current matches. Items purchased can be similar, not exact, and can be purchased at locations other than Amazon. Anyone who wishes to donate from another source can just let the church office or Sarah Martin-Fanone know, so that the item may be removed or marked as purchased. <https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/2DEQ4NSYO42CL>

Funeral Luncheon Team: We are in need of individuals willing to join our funeral luncheon team. We are looking for those willing to assist with set up and clean up, as well as individuals to cook and bake. Please see the NEW sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall.



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