

# What's Happening at FFPC

**Be sure to visit the sign-up table before you leave on Sunday mornings!** There are many opportunities to volunteer and serve.

**Closed Captions during worship are available** on the TV located in the Sanctuary Annex. Please see Mike Cupp or Kelly Sunman-Davis with questions.

**Do you use the T Coil hearing loop?** If you are having trouble with the system, please info Mike Cupp.

**Story Time in Fellowship Hall!** The Library Committee is hosting story time the 2nd Sunday of each month after worship in Fellowship Hall. Children, youth and adults are invited to hear and discuss a story of the month and check out books from the library! Folks interested in being a reader are asked to see Jenn Wenzel.

## **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

## **Youth Group Schedule**

### **January**

\*5PM, Sat 25 - 11AM Sun 26: Lock-in and Fudgeriaser fudge making

### **February**

Sun 9: Souper Bowl of Caring during and right after worship

Sun 23, 4-6PM: Youth Group

### **Youth Group Valentine's Day "Fudgeraiser"**

Youth Group will be selling fudge through January 26th to raise funds for summer conferences. Orders will be ready for pick-up by February 9 - just in time for Valentine's Day!

### **Sunday Evening Bible Study - The Book of Daniel**

Sunday Evenings from 5 - 6:30PM

Led by Larry Zimble, this class meets in the conference room at 4square Tax & Accounting. Bring your Bible and an open mind. Please see Rabbi Larry for more information.

### **Tuesday Morning Bible Study**

Tuesday mornings at 11am in the Conference Room.

During the Month of February, we will be looking at a book entitled, “Misreading Scripture with Western Eyes: Removing Cultural Blindness to better understand the Bible.”

We will be studies specific bible passages and exploring different ways of interpreting them according to our cultural understandings. More often than not, western cultures tend to mis-read the text due to differences in culture. Come join and see scripture in a new way!

### **Women’s Studies - Wednesday morning or Thursday evening**

Get Out of Your Head by Jennie Allen

Register by contacting the office.

#### **Wednesday mornings, January 22 - February 26 from 10am - NOON**

This class meets in Fellowship Hall and is facilitated by Tina Ritchie

OR

#### **Thursday evenings, January 23 - February 27 from 6:30 - 8:30PM**

This class meets via zoom and is facilitated by Dee Dee Ainsworth

Are your thoughts holding you captive? When we swirl in a spiral of destructive thoughts, beliefs begin to form: “I’ll never be good enough.” “Other people have better lives than I do.” “God couldn’t really love me.”

In Get Out of Your Head, Jennie gives us tools from the book of Philippians to transform our emotions, our outlook, and even our circumstances, by taking control of our minds. We can find freedom from the downward spiral by:

Taking every thought captive to make it obedient to Christ

Shifting the focus of our minds from our circumstances to God

Fighting toxic thoughts with weapons of humility, silence, and delight

Escaping our comfort zones with weapons of connection, intentionality and gratitude

Learning to forget what’s behind so we can move ahead

Defeating anxiety with a mind like Christ’s

**Refugee Welcome Information:** Our Refugee Welcome Team working hard to meet the needs of our new families. Starting this week we are offering English as a second language classes to newly arrived adults. Our classes take place on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Flint. We would love to have a few dedicated volunteers to assist during class. No teaching experience is necessary. Please contact Sarah Martin-Fanone or Brian Lewis if you are interested.

**The Book Binders Book Club would like to thank everyone who “decorated” our 2024 Giving Tree with gifts for children.** We received a total of 276 items consisting of mittens, hats, socks, underwear, pajamas, as well as other various types of clothing. Your response was generous and heartwarming. This year, all the gifts were donated to World of Wonder, which is an organization that supports local families in and around our area.

**Giving Envelopes** are here and are located at the entrance to Fellowship Hall! Unfortunately our order was not fulfilled properly and some envelopes had to be reordered. If you anticipated envelopes but do not see yours on the table, please see Kelly Sunman-Davis. While we hope that the new order will not take long to arrive, we can provide you with a temporary box of envelopes if needed.

**Annual Meeting of the Congregation** will take place January 26th, 2025 after the 10am worship service.

**A new GriefShare group will be starting in February.** Please see the sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall for Details.

### **Annual Scout Thank You Pancake Breakfast**

Sunday, February 4th

8:30am-9:30am & 11:00am-12:00pm

Come for the pancakes and stay for worship or come for worship and stay for the pancakes. Either way, you don’t want to miss the Scouts Annual Thank You FFPC Pancake Breakfast.