

Spring Break

The FPC Week

Sunday

9:00 A.M. Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
9:30 A.M. Sunday School
10:45 A.M. Morning Worship

M-W-F

9:00 A.M. Ladies Exercise Class - Fellowship Hall
2:00 P.M. Yarn Crafting— Room 6 Education Wing

Wednesday

5:30 A.M. Men’s Prayer & Bible Study @ YH
5:30 P.M. Handbell Choir Practice
7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

♦ The church office is closed on Fridays

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YouthHouse activities will resume March 24 &
KidsQuest will resume March 26.

The Church Calendar

March 10-21

Corinth Schools Spring Break

March 18 (date change)

Joy Riders Silver Caboose Lunch

March 23

Sunday Night Worship & Potluck Supper 5:30 p.m.

March 24

REFOCUS Seminar & Dinner – Session, Deacons, Spouses,
Student Leadership Team, FPC Ministerial Staff, 5 p.m. – Weaver Center

April 1

Weekly FOCUS STUDY “Being a Disciple” 6:15 p.m.

April 8

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April 10

Joy Riders Rigatoni’s Lunch

April 12

Mission Dinner at Pizza Grocery

April 13

Mission Speaker for Adult Sunday School

April 13

Palm Sunday– Children Singing

April 15

Weekly FOCUS STUDY “Being a Disciple” 6:15 p.m.

DAILY LENTEN READINGS

WEEK 2	PSALMS	OLD TESTAMENT	EPISTLES	GOSPEL
MONDAY	PSALMS 56, 57, 58, 64, 65	JEREMIAH 1:1-19	ROMANS 1:1-15	JOHN 4:27-42
TUESDAY	PSALMS 61, 62, 68	JEREMIAH 2:1-13	ROMANS 1:16-25	JOHN 4:43-54
WEDNESDAY	PSALMS 72, 119:73-96	JEREMIAH 3:6-18	ROMANS 1:28-2:11	JOHN 5:1-18
THURSDAY	PSALMS 70, 71, 74	JEREMIAH 4:9-10, 19-28	ROMANS 2:12-24	JOHN 5:19-29
FRIDAY	PSALMS 69, 73	JEREMIAH 5:1-9	ROMANS 2:25-3:18	JOHN 5:30-47
SATURDAY	PSALMS 75, 76, 23, 27	JEREMIAH 5:20-31	ROMANS 3:19-31	JOHN 7:1-13

The flowers adorning the sanctuary today
are given by Mary Elizabeth & Garrett Pounders
in honor of our precious Callie
in celebration of her 18th birthday.

Welcome!

We are so thankful that you’ve joined us for worship today!
This bulletin is also available on our website, fpccorinth.org.
The following services are provided to make your worship with us
as meaningful and comfortable as possible:
♦ **A Nursery** is provided for infants and toddlers through age 3,
during Sunday School and the Worship Service. The nursery and
toddler classrooms are located in the Education Wing by the
playground.
♦ **Children’s Church** is for children ages 4 years - 5th grade.
They have their very own Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall,
located in the back of the campus on the northeast corner. It will
be noted in the bulletin any Sunday we will not be having
Children’s Church.
♦ A wheelchair (access next to east entrance) and an oxygen tank
are located in the large closet just off the narthex entrance and are
available for anyone who has a need. Ushers will assist you.

A welcome/prayer card is available in each pew. We welcome
your prayer requests, as these are brought before our Lord during
our prayer time each Sunday, after the Worship Service, in our
Chapel. You may use the card to tell us about yourself, and to
invite our Pastor, Waring Porter, to call you or pay you a visit.

We invite you to prayerfully consider making FPC your church
home.

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Those Who Serve Today

Assisting Elder:

Steve Drewry

Acolytes:

Mary Ford Kirk & Grace Windsor

Greeter:

Bobby & Christy Burns, Gregg Parker

Ushers:

Bernie Shipp, Don Guare, Drew Moak, John James, Baylor Pratt

Circle of Prayer:

Jenny Biggers, Malechi Doren, Janet Orman

Nursery/Toddler Room:

Kerisa Burns, Abbie Butler, Lindley Brawner

Tech Crew:

Russell Smith & Landon Thomas

Joy in Bloom:

Penny Long & Terre Smith

First Presbyterian Church

“You call me Teacher and Lord, for you are right, for so I am.”
- Jesus
John 1:1-17

The Second Sunday of Lent

LITURGY FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 16, 2025

The Second Sunday of Lent

PRAISE THE GOD OF GLORY

Piano Prelude

Call to Meditation: Matthew 11:28

“Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

The Prelude: “When Morning Gilds the Skies”

The Introit: “We Come to Praise”

Malechi Doren

Jill Taylor

(*please stand)

*Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-7

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Leader: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

All: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

*The Hymn: “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” (vv.1-3)

No. 276

*Responsive Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-10

Leader: As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house,

All: to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Leader: For it stands in Scripture: “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

All: So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” and “A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.”

Leader: They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

All: But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Leader: Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people;

All: once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

*Congregational Response: “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

No. 276

*Profession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism, Question #1 (1563)

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; he protects me so well that, without the will of my Father in heaven, not a hair can fall from my head indeed, everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

*Prayer of Invocation & The Lord's Prayer:

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Greetings & Announcements

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory: “Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

Malechi Doren

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication:

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

PRAISE THE GOD OF TRUTH

Scripture Reading: John 13:1-17

Scripture Response: 2 Timothy 3:16,17

Leader: This is the Word of God.

All: “All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”

Sermon: LEARNING TO BELIEVE: Jesus the Servant

PRAISE THE GOD OF GRACE

Song of Preparation: “Do This and Remember”

Do this and remember,
Take the bread and eat.
I was bruised and broken,
Bound and cut like wheat.

Do this and remember;
Come and be restored.
Drink the cup I offer,
You will thirst no more.

Come to Me,
The Bread and Wine,
And recall my love anew.
Eat and drink; remember Me,
That I gave My all for you,
That I gave My all for you,

Do this and remember,
Come and be restored.
Eat the bread I offer.
Hunger nevermore.

Come to Me, the one True Vine,
And recall My love anew.
When you drink, remember Me,
That I gave My all for you.
That I gave My all for you.

Taste the mystery of mercy
In the bread and wine I give;
Death is not the final answer.
All who feast on Me will live.
All who feast on Me will live.
All who feast on Me will live.
Feast and live.
Feast and live.

Do this and remember;
Take the cup of wine.
I was crushed and wounded,
Fruit of heaven's Vine.

Come to Me, the Bread of Life,
And recall My love anew.
When you eat, remember Me,
That I gave My all for you,
That I gave My all for you.

- Words – Pamela Stewart, Music – Brad Nix

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Holy and gracious Father, we are Your redeemed people, yet at times we refuse to live in the freedom that is ours. We are Your loved people, yet we spurn You by our inordinate desires for other loves. We are Your holy people, yet we confess that the stain of sin persists in our thoughts, words, deeds, and attitudes. You call us to obedience, yet we question You and Your ways. Therefore, we repent and ask Your forgiveness for the travesty of our rebellion against You. Show us how to build our lives on the only sure foundation, Jesus Christ our faithful Savior.

Individual Prayers of Confession (silently)

Assurance of Divine Pardon: 1 Peter 2:24

“He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.”

The Words of Institution: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

“For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.”

Partaking of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayer of Commitment

*Hymn: “It Is Well with My Soul” (vv.1,3,4)

No. 493

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction: “Benediction (2-Part)”

*Postlude

Announcements

PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU'VE JOINED US today by signing the Attendance Pad located in each pew. A “Connect Card” is available on the back of each pew if you have a prayer request, need to speak with our pastor, or need to change your contact information. Please place the card in the offering plate. If you’d like to receive our weekly email, please put your email address on a “Connect Card”, and place in the offering plate.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH is off for Spring Break and will resume next Sunday, March 23.

NEW NAME! The ladies of Knit for Kids have some in our group who crochet as well as knit, and we have changed our name to YARN CRAFTING, so it will include all areas of needlework. This group has been meeting every week for around 12 years simply to help the poor (mainly children and infants) as well as the elderly with warm clothing during cold weather. We would also like to encourage new people who do any kind of needle work to join our meetings. We meet on Tuesday afternoons in number 6 classroom - 2:00 - 3:00 o'clock. We take off the month of December. We have a devotional at the beginning and learn many things from one another with great fellowship. A truly fun time. Contact Becky Stewart for further information, rbstewart1222@gmail.com.

Something NEW - Focus Studies

Focus Studies:

As Christ-followers, our spiritual growth to become like Christ is not a one time event, but a series of steps we take throughout life as we follow Christ. We need help with taking these steps to progress in our journey of faith. Focus Studies are 8-week, topical Bible Studies that will help participants to take these steps to grow in their walk with Jesus. There will be a spring and fall semester Focus Study every year. The purpose of these studies will be equipping individuals to grow in their understanding and application of the fulfillment of the church's mission, "To Be Disciples...To Make Disciples." They will be led by our Pastor, Waring Porter, as well as our Director of Discipleship, Gregg Parker.

The Spring 2025 Focus Study will be on Tuesday evenings at 6:15-7:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, beginning April 1, and going through May 20.

FPC Focus Studies: Session I “Being A Disciple” (Spring 2025)

The foundational verse for defining “disciple” is Matthew 4:19. It comes straight from the lips of Jesus. Jesus said, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” In this Focus Study, we are going to dig deep into what it means to be a disciple and how it can be developed and manifested in our lives.