

The flowers adorning the sanctuary today are given by Virginia Boyd & John James in honor of the graduating senior class and the friendship, love, and leadership they have brought to our family and the Youth group.

Those Who Serve Today

Assisting Elder: Orma Smith
 Acolytes: Grace Windsor & Sellers Brumfield
 Greeter: Dave & Becky Shanklin, Gregg Parker
 Ushers: Bernie Shipp, Don Guare, Drew Moak, John James, Baylor Pratt
 Circle of Prayer: Janet Orman
 Nursery/Toddler Room: LeeAnne Price, Leslie Fisher, Lauren Butler
 Tech Crew: Russell Smith & Landon Thomas
 Joy in Bloom: Penny Long & Terre Smith

The FPC Week

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

Monday 7:00 A.M. 11th gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH
 M-W-F 9:00 A.M. Ladies Exercise Class - Fellowship Hall

Tuesday/Thursday 9:00 A.M.-2:30 P.M. FPC Day School
Tuesday 7:00 A.M. 5th/6th gr boys & girls Bible study @ KH
 7:00 A.M. 8th gr boys Bible study @ Conference Rm.
 7:00 A.M. 8th gr girls Bible study @ YH
 7:00 A.M. 9th gr girls Bible study @ Parlor
 7:00 A.M. 9th gr boys Bible study @ Gregg's Office
 7:00 A.M. 12th gr boys Bible study @ YH
 2:00 P.M. Yarn Crafting— Room 6 Education Wing
 6:15 P.M. Focus Study - Fellowship Hall

Wednesday 5:30 A.M. Men's Prayer & Bible Study @ YH
 7:00 A.M. 7th gr boys Bible study @ downstairs YH
 7:00 A.M. 12th gr girls Bible study @ YH office
 3:15-6:00 P.M. KidsQuest (Pre-K thru 6th gr)
 3:30-4:30 P.M. Puppet Ministry Practice Kid's Library
 5:30 P.M. Handbell Choir Practice
 5:30-6:30 P.M. Jr. High Gathering @ YH
 6:30-8:00 P.M. Sr. High Gathering @ YH
 7:00 P.M. Choir Practice

Thursday 7:00 A.M. 10th gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH
 7:00 A.M. 10th gr boys Bible study @ Gregg's office

Friday 7:00 A.M. 7th gr girls Bible study @ downstairs YH
 7:00 A.M. 11th gr boys Bible study @ YH office

◆ The church office is closed on Fridays CCLI 1203745

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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.

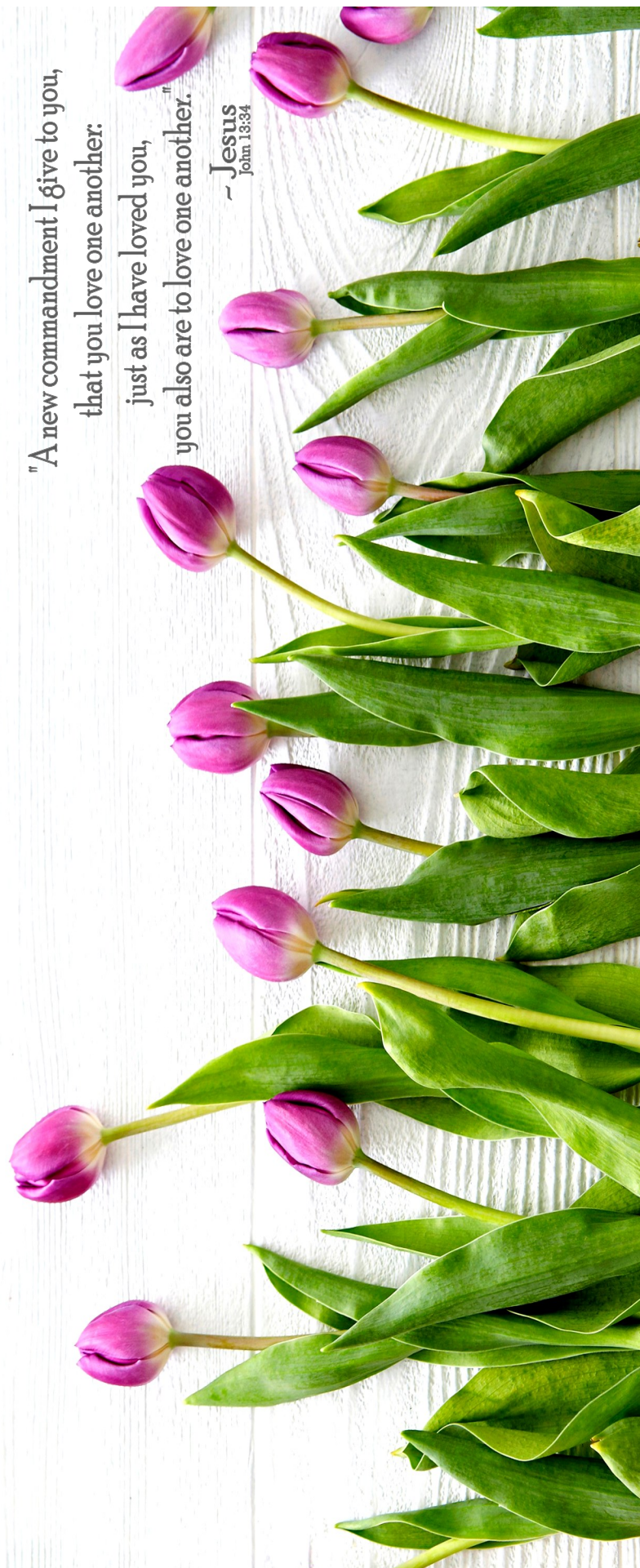
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 "to be disciples...to make disciples"

The Church Calendar

April 1 Weekly FOCUS STUDY "Being a Disciple" 6:15 p.m.
 April 2 Communicant's Class - 4 weeks through April 23 4 p.m.
 April 6 Session Meeting 5 p.m.
 April 8 Weekly FOCUS STUDY 6:15 p.m.
 April 10 Joy Riders Rigatoni's Lunch
 April 12 Mission Dinner at Pizza Grocery
 April 13 Deacons Meeting 8 a.m.
 April 13 Mission Speaker for Adult Sunday School
 April 13 Palm Sunday— Children Singing
 April 15 Weekly FOCUS STUDY 6:15 p.m.
 April 17 Maundy Thursday Service w/Sanctuary Choir Program
 April 18 Good Friday - Easter Egg Hunt
 April 20 Easter Sunday—Sunrise 6 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Worship Services
 April 22 Weekly FOCUS STUDY 6:15 p.m.
 April 27 Sunday Night Worship & Potluck Supper 5:30 p.m.
 April 29 Weekly FOCUS STUDY 6:15 p.m.
 May 1 The National Day of Prayer @ FPC Pavilion

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another."

~ Jesus
 John 13:34

LITURGY FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

March 30, 2025

The Fourth Sunday of Lent

PRAISE THE GOD OF GLORY

The Piano Prelude

Jill Taylor

Call to Meditation:

Isaiah 64:8
“Yet you, Lord, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter;
we are all the work of your hand.”

The Prelude:

“I Want Jesus to Walk with Me”

Jo Anderson Handbell Choir

Choral Introit:

“We Come to Praise”

*Call to Worship:

1 Peter 1:3-6
Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

All: According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

Leader: to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you,

All: who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Leader: In this we rejoice!

*The Hymn:

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

No. 43

*Responsive Reading:

John 15:1,7-1
Leader: Jesus said, “I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser...

Congregation: If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

Leader: By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

Congregation: As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love.

Leader: If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.

Congregation: These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

*Congregational Response:

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

No. 364

*Profession of Faith:

The Apostles' Creed
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.
(*that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places)

*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.

PRAISE THE GOD OF GRACE

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Eternal God, we confess that we do not expect and long for the transforming power of your love to work miracles in these hard hearts of ours. Yet we secretly long for a rescue, an escape, a miracle, to relieve us of the responsibilities and the challenges you set before us. Healing Spirit, renew our confidence in your power and in the power of love to change our lives, and give us courage to be the people Christ calls us to be.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Divine Pardon:

John 3:16
“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son,
so that everyone who believes in him may not perish
but may have eternal life.”

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Greetings & Announcements

Ring the Bell Campaign

Steve Drewry

Lenay Williams, The Lighthouse Foundation

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Anthem:

“Gethsemane Prayer”

Father, my Father,
Please let this cup pass over me.
Father, Father, O take this cup from me.
But not my will, but not my will,
But not my will, but not my will,
Not my will but Your's be done.

Father, O, my Father,
My Father, O, my Father
Please let his cup pass over me
Father, O, my Father,
Please take this cup from me.
But not my will, but not my will,
But not my will, but not my will,
Not my will but Your's be done.

O, not my will, not my will
But Your will
Be done.

- R. Kevin Boesiger

*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 13:31-38

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: The Love of Christ”

Prayer of Commitment

*Hymn: “They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love” No. 284

*Benediction

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

*Postlude

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE COMMUNICANT'S CLASS BEGINS THIS WEDNESDAY**, April 2, from 4-5 p.m., for four weeks. This class is for students, 5th - 12 grade, who are interested in becoming a member of FPC. Letters were passed out last week to parents of 5/6 graders after KidsQuest, with more information about the class. If you have questions, need to enroll your child, or need to speak to Waring, please call the church office, 286-6638.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS CONT.

OUR SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS go to Jack Griffith and his family, at the passing of his brother, George Orlando “Lanny” Griffith, Jr., on March 26, 2025.

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.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH is is being held in the Fellowship Hall for children ages 4 years - 5th grade.

SPRING FOCUS STUDY begins this Tuesday evening, April 1, 6:15—7:15 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall. The Spring Focus Study will meet Tuesday evenings through May 20. [Session I “Being A Disciple”](#) 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.

FPC'S YOUTHHOUSE/STUDENT MINISTRY has two camps this summer, RYM for our highschoolers and The Edge for our middle schoolers. Scholarships are desperately needed. No amount is too small. You may Venmo your donation to @corinthouthouse, drop a check by the church office, or place it in the offering plate. Please indicate on your check that it is a scholarship for YouthHouse Ministry. Contact Jennifer Shipp with any questions, 601-209-5072. Thank you!!

AS YOU LEAVE THE SANCTUARY please dispose of your bulletin, inserts, and all other waste items in the trash receptacles located at each entrance. Please do not dispose of items in the hymnal/Bible cubbies. Thank you!

### Sermon Text

#### John 13:31-38 (ESV)

#### A New Commandment

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, “Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, ‘Where I am going you cannot come.’ <sup>34</sup> A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

#### Jesus Foretells Peter's Denial

<sup>36</sup> Simon Peter said to him, “Lord, where are you going?” Jesus answered him, “Where I am going you cannot follow me now, but you will follow afterward.” <sup>37</sup> Peter said to him, “Lord, why can I not follow you now? I will lay down my life for you.” <sup>38</sup> Jesus answered, “Will you lay down your life for me? Truly, truly, I say to you, the rooster will not crow till you have denied me three times.