

This week at FPC

April 24, 2024—April 30, 2024

Studying St. Paul

Over the next two months I'll be preaching from letters of St. Paul, and some of the stories about him in the Book of Acts. Paul was a fascinating man. He was converted to Christianity by a voice from heaven (see Acts 9). He had been one of the Jewish leaders or persecuted Christians and he became our greatest theologian.

Paul is so clear in his thinking and writing in the Epistles of our New Testament. He wrote to individual churches, but the letters kept being passed from church to church, community to community. Eventually they were collected up and put into the Bible.

I find Paul's letters hard to preach from since they are

letters of instruction and theology written to the church, not stories like Noah's Ark or Jesus stilling the storm. So come to church and wrestle with these wonderful letters with me.

Our adult Sunday School class (that meets in Room 1 at 9am each Sunday) is studying Paul's letter to the Ephesians. Please come for that study each Sunday, it is fascinating.

We have so many great things going on in our church right now, see below and watch for the May Spire that will come out next week. If you can't make it to church remember our worship is recorded and put on YouTube by Monday evening.

Walk



Life Line Screening will be at FPC on Monday, April 29th from 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information visit their website: www.lifelinescreening.com

save the date

Sunday, May 19th

The Fellowship Committee invites you to a picnic! The picnic fare will include fried chicken, baked beans, cole slaw, rolls, and a variety of homemade cookies. Coffee, iced tea, and lemonade will be available. **No cost to you!**

MEAL SHARING OPPORTUNITIES

The Fellowship Committee is exploring ways to provide opportunities for small groups of parishioners to socialize. It was suggested that a version of "Supper Clubs" having small groups gather for meals at different homes might be of interest to members. The meals could be potluck events for either Brunch, Lunch, or Dinner. Groups would be established based on location and time preferences. Please note your interest and return the form to the church office for inclusion in the Fellowship Committee mailbox!

I am interested in exploring meal sharing further. Please contact me:

Name:

Address:

Phone number:

Email:

Vacation Bible School

FINDING JESUS

June 24th - 28th

The Word in the Water

First Presbyterian Church Ocala - 511 SE 3rd St
Open to 3 year olds (potty trained) - students entering 5th grade.

REGISTRATION NOW ONLINE
FPCOCALA.ORG/VBS-2024.HTML

Operation Love Your Neighbor

May 4- 8:30am

We will be serving our neighbors by performing yardwork and light landscaping for foster families around Ocala. If you would like to participate or would like to contribute yard tools, please reach out to Carter Ullman carter.ullman@comcast.net (863)651-4863.



PRAYER LIST

Pat Bishop
Bill Blackwell (brother of Mary Kauffman)
Tania Blackwell (sister-in-law of Mary Kauffman)
Andy Carlisle
Ella and Ray Charnley
Shirley Cochran
Billy Davis (grandson-in-law of David Demarest, cancer diagnosis)
Linda Deyton (sister of Annette Pickard)
Mina DiGeronimo
Ruth Fraser
Gabby Gates (friend of Dave Bice)
Joe Glenn (friend of Mary Kauffman)
Dorothy Halliwell (sister-in-law of Pat Interdonato)
Bill and Barbara Harrel
Chris Hasselkus
Andrea Mogg Jacque
Victoria Johnson (great-granddaughter of Christine)
CJ Jones (nephew of Margaret Trump)

Lloyd Kauffman (husband of Mary)
Lanier Lance (sister of Bill Tucker)
John Koch (brother in law of Debbie Koch)
Gloria Miller
Jodi Miller (daughter-in-law of Ginny Miller)
Bruce Moore (hip surgery recovery)
Annette Morris (friend of Mary Kauffman)
Fritz Rain (friend of Marybeth Olson)
Bo Rainbow (injury from a fall)
Ruthanne and John Reiss
Vicki Roberts (on the death of her husband, Frank)
Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)
Becky Schatt (on the death of her brother)
Shelly (cancer diagnosis, friend of Evelyn Longo)
Rev. Ed Tenhor
Bob and Renee Timmer
Ann VanDenburgh
Robert Webber (brother of Ginny Miller)
William Wright

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

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God's Saving word: Hope			Saturday	April 27	Isaiah 54:1-17
Wednesday	April 24	Isaiah 48:1-22	Sunday	April 28	Isaiah 56:1-8
Thursday	April 25	Isaiah 51:1-23	Monday	April 29	Psalm 16
Friday	April 26	Isaiah 52:1-12	Tuesday	April 30	Psalm 34