

## This week at FPC August 9-15, 2023

### From the Pastor's Desk

As you can see below, Sunday is a special day as we begin a year of children's Sunday School and reopen our church nursery. Please share this news with your family and friends. The elementary Sunday School will meet in Room 26 of our educational building and will run from the children's sermon through the end of church.

We need help in Sunday School and the nursery. We need at least two adults in each room to have accountability, etc. Please sign up by going to our church web page or calling the church office. Our web page is [fpcocala.org](http://fpcocala.org).

The youth group also restarts this afternoon at 5:00pm for our middle and high school youth. They will meet in the Youth Room, play a game, eat dinner, and have Bible study together.

We need volunteers to help them too! Especially with dinner each Sunday evening.

Adult Sunday School will start on September 10, after Labor Day.

Walk

**Tom Cooley's Memorial Service**  
Will be held Friday, (Tomorrow) August 11 at 4:00 p.m.

## !! Back to School Sunday !!

Mark your calendars now for our yearly Back to School Sunday – August 13th, 2023. Backpacks will be blessed, and we ask that you bring school supplies to donate to Interfaith.



**PW Women Summer Gathering** will take place Saturday, August 26th at Montgomery Conference

**Food Drive for Interfaith** will take place Sunday, September 17th!

**Hymn Sing** – Sunday, September 10th at 3:00 p.m. Join in an old-fashioned Hymn Sing. We have invited local area churches to join us. Ice Cream Social immediately following.

**Prime Timers' Luncheon** Is Back! September 24th. Single/widowed individuals who are 65 and older please join us after worship. Lovingly sponsored by the deacons.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**  
We need Leads and Assistants for Children's Sunday School! First day of Sunday School is August 13th. You may sign up for one or all sessions.  
**Click here to register:**  
<https://shorturl.at/dxzK7>

**PW Cookbooks for Sale**  
**\$10.00**  
with proceeds going to PW missions and FPC!  
  
Look for them in church or call  
**Pat Greaves**  
**352-362-0013**

### PRAYER LIST

**Tania Blackwell**  
**Andy Carlisle**  
**Ella Charnley**  
**Shirley Cochran**  
**The family of Tom Cooley** (following his untimely death)

**Mina DiGeronimo**  
**Ruth Fraser**  
**Joe Glenn** (friend of Mary Kauffman)  
**Sharon Grier** (mother of Lee Anne Drake)  
**Bill and Barbara Harrel**  
**Tola Hass**  
**Mark and Melanie Heuer**  
**Ray Houston** (friend of Sandra Owen)  
**Andrea Mogg Jacque** (recent surgery)  
**Victoria Johnson** (great-granddaughter of Christine Johnson)  
**Jolene Kai** (daughter-in-law of Ginny Miller)  
**Penny Kramer** (Evelyn Longo's sister)

**Celine Mack**  
**Judith Martin**  
**Chris and Peyton McLoney Brown**  
**Ron McMillin**  
**Gloria Miller**  
**Albert Peek**  
**Annette and Joseph Pickard**  
**Theresa Poteet** (Knee replacement)  
**Fritz Rain** (friend of Marybeth Olson)  
**Eric Reiss**  
**Frank Roberts**  
**Michael Rou** (cousin of Dr. David Albright)  
**Janie Scott**  
**Bob Timmer**  
**Richard and Sandy Valvo**  
**Ann VanDenburgh**  
**William Wright**  
**Jeffrey Yawn** (grandson of Betty Williams)

This Week's Daily Bible Readings					
<i>God's Saving word: Encouragement</i>			Sunday	August 12	I Thessalonians 2:1-16
Thursday	August 9	Philippians 3:1-21	Monday	August 13	I Thessalonians 2:17-3:13
Friday	August 10	Philippians 4:1-23	Tuesday	August 14	I Thessalonians 4:1-18
Saturday	August 11	I Thessalonians 1:1-10	Wednesday	August 15	I Thessalonians 5:1-28