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Sunday Mornings

9:20am Church School | 10:45am Worship in Sanctuary (Child care provided.)

LENTEN WORSHIP & STUDY OPPORTUNITIES



ASH WEDNESDAY (FEB 14) observances this year begin with a devotional service, the Lord's Supper, and the imposition of ashes (optional) at 7:20am, 12:20pm, and 5:20pm. Each service will be held in the sanctuary and will be 20 minutes in length. (Each service will be identical to the other two.)

On Wednesdays—February 21, 28, March 7, 14, and 21—during the noon hour, a bring-your-own-lunch discussion group will convene in the church library. Lunch will begin at 11:50am with discussion from 12:10pm to 12:50pm on *The Gospel Next Door: Following Jesus Right Where You Are*. With stories from his own city of Houston, Texas, author Marty Troyer introduces a perspective on faith and discipleship that empowers us to truly see the work of God where we live, work, and play. Several copies of the book (\$10⁰⁰ each) are available for purchase from the church office. Feel free to contact Karen or Ted at the church office (979.823.8073) to reserve your copy of the book.

May this set of weeks themed “Thy Will Be Done” assist your remembrance of and growth in discipleship following Jesus Christ from each one’s first call to serve with faithfulness all the way to his crucifixion, resurrection, and beyond!

CHURCH-WIDE

GAME NIGHT

Get ready to have some fun . . .

All ages are welcome!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

4:00pm to 6:00pm

Fellowship Hall

An assortment of games will be available for everyone to play and enjoy fellowship with one another. You are also invited to bring a favorite of yours! Bring friends to join the fun! Bring a savory snack or light hors d'oeuvres to share. Water and tea provided. Child care will be provided.

For any inquiries, email
Eric Peterson, youth@fpcbryan.org.

The women of Suriname and First United Methodist Church invite all members of FPC to explore issues of climate change, natural disasters, pollution, and human abuse of the environment—all affecting God’s good Creation and God’s people.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

10:30AM

Lunch to follow
(no RSVP required)



All God’s Creation is Very Good!

First United Methodist Church
(Heritage Room)

506 East 29th Street, Bryan

Contact Rev. Shelby Rowan,
979.822.2769 or shelbyrowan@suddenlink.net

MINISTRY on the *Move*

by Eric Peterson, *Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries*
(youth@fpcbryan.org)

CONCLAVES MISSION PROJECT

Every year at Conclaves at Cho-Yeh (this year, March 2-4), attending youth and adults participate in a mission project to meet the needs of different charity organizations. This year's project is making dog toys and pet care packages for local animal shelters that house animals displaced during Hurricane Harvey.



During the month of February, FPC youth invite the congregation to donate dry and wet cat food or dog food and old t-shirts to make dog toys. Donations will be received until **Sun, Feb 28**. Please place your donations in the marked blue container in the Patio.

Email Eric Peterson, youth@fpcbryan.org, for any further questions.

THANK YOU, FPC!

Thank you so much for your immense generosity in giving to Souper Bowl of Caring. The Brazos Church Pantry will receive \$516.50. Through this mission, our young people contribute to making a positive difference in the world – as they collect food and raise money to help feed those in need and learn that there is enough food for all.



FPC's Youth Group

Children's Center News

Kaity Gillispie, *Director of Children's Center* (fpcc@fpcbryan.org)

SPRUCING UP WITH A LITTLE HELP FROM AGGIE FRIENDS

The Aggie group ASPIRE (Aggie Scholars Promoting Incentive, Resources, and Encouragement) will join FPCC in a Work Day for FPCC on SAT, FEB 17, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Plans are to finish tearing down the storage building and finish sealing the wood. Please contact Kathy Burdett, kburdett24@gmail.com, for more information.

CHICK FLICKS GATHER



Chick Flicks gather on FRI, FEB 23, at 6:00pm in the Church Library for dinner and move to the Parlor to watch the movie *Places in the Heart*

starring Sally Field who received an Oscar for her performance. In central Texas in the 1930s, a widow, with two small children, tries to run her small 40-acre debt ridden farm with the help of two disparate people. John Malkovich, Danny Glover, and Ed Harris join her in this heart-warming story. The meal features an "everything is bigger in Texas" potluck – so bring your favorite classic Lone Star State dish. ALL women are invited for an evening of fellowship and fun.

To learn more or be added to the email notification list, contact Phyllis Lee, johnlee7@suddenlink.net or 979.696.0845.

CHURCH LADIES

Church Ladies gather on WED, FEB 21, at 11:30am when we dine at Salt Grass in College Station. Great food and great company! For more information, contact Becky Alter, alter@suddenlink.net.

Growing Disciples

Christian Education Ministries (education@fpcbryan.org)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES

Sundays (9:20am to 10:20am); 3 Years Old thru GR 4 meet in Room 13. Beth Morris, Claire Schmidt, and Amber Fattig teach this class. GR 5-6 meet in Room 10. David Sahn teaches this class.

FEB 18 A Rainbow Promise. Children find hope in God's promise to Noah.

Read with your children: Genesis 9:8-17.

FEB 25 Dare to Follow Jesus. Children examine what Jesus means by denying themselves and following him.

Read with your children: Mark 8:31-38.

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASS SCHEDULE

The Winter 2018 Church School Class Schedule is available on tables at all entrances to the sanctuary and display tables around the church and available on the website at www.fpcbryan.org. Pick up a copy today to find out what's new in the adult classes.

CONCERTS ON CARTER CREEK PRESENTS . . .

QUATERNAGLIA GUITAR QUARTET WITH JAMES DICK, PIANO

Concerts on Carter Creek is collaborating with Friends of Chamber Music to bring to our sanctuary the Quaternaglia Guitar Quartet to Bryan on THU, MARCH 1, at 7:00pm. This concert will feature the world première of Sergio Molina's Quintet n. 2 for guitar quartet and piano. The quartet is recognized worldwide for its artistic excellence and for its significant contributions to the expansion of guitar quartet repertoire. "Local treasure" James Dick, recognized as one of the truly important pianists of his generation, will accompany the Quaternaglia Guitar Quartet on the piano. The concert is free. Child care is provided. A reception follows the concert.



NOTE: This program made possible in part through Hotel Tax Revenue funded from the City of College Station and the City of Bryan through The Arts Council.

YOUTH HAPS



Eric Peterson, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries
(youth@fpcbryan.org)

YOUNG ADULT NEWS



Eric Peterson, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries
(youngadults@fpcbryan.org)

FELLOWSHIP, SERVICE

NEW TIME & PLACE! AGGIELAND YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The students of UCM at A&M are hosting a Bumper Ball Rally for the youth groups of FPC, Covenant PC, and Friends UCC on SUN, FEB 18, from 4:00-6:00pm at Penberthy Intramural Field 1 on the Texas A&M west campus. Dinner will be provided by UCM as well as prayer activities conducted by the UCM students. Plan to meet at 3:30pm in the FPC parking lot by the church van and carpool to the Intramural fields.

SUN, FEB 25, 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Dinner followed by bible/faith discussion about "During the Lord's Supper, are we really sharing Jesus' body and blood?" from "Faith Topics" by Thoughtful Christian and game activities.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

On FEB 14, Bible study will meet from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Weekly Bible study is held from 7:00pm to 8:00pm in Room 401. Leaders alternate between Eric Peterson, who is using *So Great a Cloud of Witnesses: A Survey of Church History* curriculum, and Youth RACHEL PRATT who is using *With All Boldness and Freedom: A Survey of the New Testament* curriculum.

NEW READS IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY

Everybody's Normal Till You Get to Know Them, by John Ortberg
Paul, The Apostle We Love to Hate, by Karen Armstrong
Every Day Deserves a Chance, by Max Lucado
90 Minutes in Heaven, by Don Piper

Thanks to CATHERINE EZZELL, our resident librarian, who faithfully tends to the orderliness and updates in our church library.

Three ASH WEDNESDAY observance opportunities are scheduled for 7:20am, 12:20pm, and 5:20pm in our sanctuary. (See front page article for details.)

Scheduled for every other Thursday, the ECUMENICAL YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP will meet at Carney's Pub and Grill in Bryan on THU, FEB 22, at 8:00pm. Young adults from various churches in the Bryan-College Station area gather for fun and recreation.

CARING & SHARING

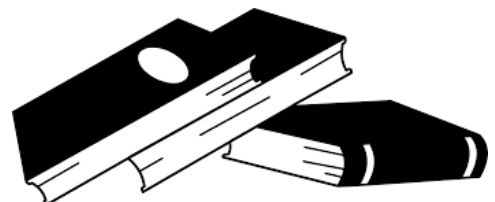
The prayerful support and sympathy of the congregation are extended to:

- CAROL & FRED ANDERSON following the death of Fred's sister, Mary "Teeny" Wicker, on January 26.
- CANDY & BRENT VINSON following the death of Candy's mother, Carol Nunnery, on January 23.

"I am the resurrection and the life," saith the Lord. —John 11:25

ON THE MOVE . . .

- HARRY GREEN, 3801 E Crest Dr, Apt 6409, Bryan 77802





Please notify the church office at 979.823.8073, when you have news to share in the newsletter, or if you or someone you know is in the hospital, is scheduled for admission, or was recently hospitalized. When admitted, please list First Presbyterian Church, as your church affiliation. If you would like to be visited by one of our hospital visitors, please agree to be included on the Pastoral Care List. Your church family wants to minister to you whenever you are ill, especially when you are in the hospital, and they can only do this if you inform them of your needs.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



- 02/16 Bookman Peters
- 02/16 Beverly Spencer
- 02/16 Grant Wolfe
- 02/17 Alice Hickerson
- 02/17 Arla McSwain
- 02/18 Eric Peterson

- 02/20 Paul Meckley
- 02/21 Isidoro Gonzalez
- 02/21 Debe Shafer
- 02/22 Peggy Sullivan
- 02/22 Imogene Veters
- 02/23 Marilyn Wright
- 02/24 Kathy Burdett
- 02/25 Zachary Martin
- 02/26 Marcia Miculek
- 02/26 Sophia Wesp
- 02/27 Peter Krauter



- ♥ Ron Douglas
- ♥ Harry Green
- ♥ Madison Hodges
(granddaughter of Peggy & Ken Telg)
- ♥ Jo Monroe
- ♥ Gladys Wilding
- ♥ Marjorie Wright

- ★ Christian McKinley
- ★ Ryan Ratcliffe



NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

covering news and events from MAR 1-14.
the deadline for the next issue of the newsletter
(incl. the March Calendar),
The Chimes, is NOON, SUN, FEB 18.
Submit content to: office@fpcbryan.org.

ABOUT SUNDAY WORSHIP



- FEB 18 Exodus 32:1-14
- FEB 25 I Samuel 16:1-13