

HOW TO RECEIVE CHRIST

1. Admit your need.
"I am a sinner."
2. Be willing to turn from your sins.
"I am sorry for my sins, Lord. Please forgive me."
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you on the cross and rose from the grave.
"I believe you did what you said you did—that you died on the cross then rose from the dead and have the power to save me."
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come in and control your life through the Holy Spirit.
"Please come into my life and change me. Make me a new person."
5. If you have recently received Christ, we would like to give you a Bible and some study materials. Contact Janine Miller if you are interested.

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Events in Our Church Family This Week

Monday		
6:00 pm	Session Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	
6:30 pm	Campaigners (Baldauff Residence)	
7:45 pm	Search Committee Meeting (Great Room)	
8:00 pm	Young Life Club (Gilbert's)	
Tuesday		
6:30 am	Men's Fellowship (Great Room)	
Wednesday		
6:00 pm	Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)	
6:30 pm	Pioneer Clubs	
6:30 pm	Jr. High Night (Gilbert's)	
6:30 pm	Quartet Practice (Sanctuary)	
6:45 pm	Women's Growth Group (Great Room)	
7:00 pm	Brass Practice (Sanctuary)	
Thursday		
10-11 am	Women's Bible Study (Fell. Hall)	
5-9 pm	Church Reserved	
6:30 pm	Grigorenko Growth Group (Baldauff Home)	
6:30 pm	Finance Meeting (Hildebrand Residence)	
Sunday		
8:30 am	Traditional Worship	
10:00 am	Sunday School for All Ages	
11:00 am	Contemporary Worship	

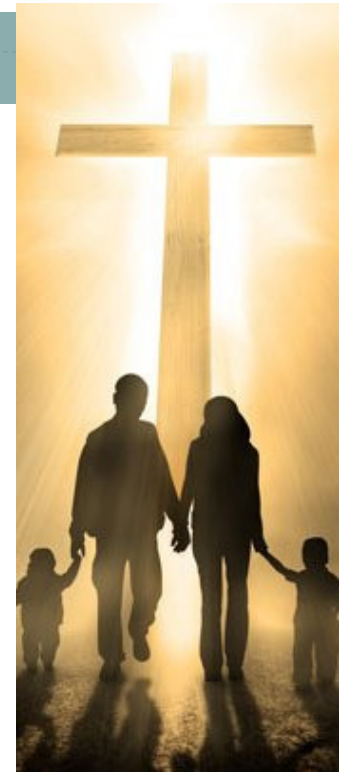


FPC NEWS

**Pizza Party
Potluck!**

Join the rest of the church family after the 11:00 service on Sunday, March 25 for a pizza party potluck! Bring a fruit or veggie salad or a dessert to share with the church family. Pizza, paper supplies, and drinks will be provided!

PIZZA!

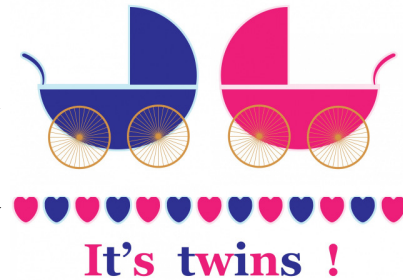


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Frozen Food Shower

Sarah, daughter of April and Bob Entler, and Jarrod, son of Diana and Brad Timmons, had twin girls, Bailey (3 lb, 8 oz) and Sophia (4 lb, 11 oz), on March 4, in North Carolina. We, their away-from-home church family, would like to bless them with some prepared food dishes to enjoy and allow them more time for baby care. We are suggesting casserole type dishes—prepared, frozen, and brought to the church freezer by Sunday March 25, which will then be taken to them. Sarah is a vegetarian (not vegan), but Jarrod does eat meat. Please check out the table in Fellowship Hall for specific instructions, freezer-safe containers, labels, and a sign-up sheet.



2018 GOLD Club Begins!



The first meeting of this year's GOLD Club will meet on Wednesday, March 28, at Collier's (just north of the mall on Rt. 41) at 11:30 am. For car pooling information and reservations, please call Barb Florence at 462-7398 **no later than Sunday, March 25.** We will need to know ahead of time if you are coming so that we have enough seating for everyone.

A Brand New FPC Website in the Works!

Scharlestonfirst.org has been our website URL for the past ten years! We have reached people all over the world with it. While we will still keep the same website address, our actual website will be getting a stunning new facelift right around the first of April. Mindy Wildman has graciously offered to put together our new site and has been busy taking pictures for it and working on the new design.

Although the site will look very different, it will have some of the same information on it in a reformatted style, as well as some totally new items. If there is a favorite part of the website that you have come to depend upon, please make sure you talk to Janine Miller to see if that is part of the new site already or could be included.

Upcoming Sermon Topics

- Mar. 18—The Trial of the Son (Mark 14:53-64)
- Mar. 25—Truly the Son of God (Mark 15:33-39)
- Apr. 1—Looking for Jesus of Nazareth (Mark 16:1-8)

Where to turn to for help & answers...

Car Care Clinic.....	Todd Severt
Card Ministry.....	Barbara Florence
Chair Loan	Janine Miller
Change of Address, Phone or Name.....	Janine Miller
Christian Ed Elder	Dave Morrow
Church Calendar.....	Janine Miller
Church Grounds	Jay Mitchell
Deacons.....	Dan Smith, Fred Berge, Jim Lightle
Evangelism Elder	Aaron Baldauff
Facilities Elder	Chuck Wildman
Fellowship Elder	
Finance Elder	Jim Hildebrand
Food Pantry	Jim Lightle
Growth Groups	Keith Rotroff
Maintenance, Church Building.....	Bob Entler
Maintenance, Manse	Ryan Smith
Membership.....	Pastor Paul Copeland
Missions Elder	Aaron Baldauff
Music Ministry	Carol Wildman, Deanna Mattinson
Newsletter	Janine Miller
Nursery	Julie White
Pioneer Clubs.....	Rachel Baldauff
Prayer Chain	Janine Miller
Vision Team.....	Larry Hill, Jeff Miller, Daphne Berge, Emma Parker
Rental, Church Facilities.....	Janine Miller
Website	Janine Miller, Mindy Wildman
Worship Elder	Janine Miller
Youth Ministry.....	Dave Morrow, Pam Vaughn, Rachel Baldauff

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Be joyful always; pray constantly; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for "Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at His disposition, and listening to His voice in the depth of our hearts."
 – Mother Teresa

Please pray for the following needs of the church in the coming month:

- * For our Selection Team as they work through the applications coming in, that God would guide them in this process and give them wisdom.
- * For those in our church family who are suffering from trauma or disease; that they and their loved ones may be comforted and that they may be healed.
- * For Emily Myers and Thomas Harshman who were married here yesterday, that their marriage may be a strand of three.
- * For the spiritual renewal of our church, community, and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, that the Holy Spirit would deepen our love for Jesus.

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March's Items of the

Pancake Mix Syrup

Thank you so much for your donations! Please place them in the Food Pantry bin in the Fellowship Hall.

Cedarmania—Last Day to turn in Registrations!

Students in grades 6-12 are invited to Cedarmania on Saturday, March 24, at Cedarville University from 10 am until 4 pm.

What is Cedarmania, you ask?

Cedarmania is a high-energy, action packed event featuring a challenging speaker (Jeremy Kimble), Cedarville's own *Heartsong*, small groups led by Cedarville students, crazy games, exciting competitions, and much more!

The fee for the day is \$30 per person and covers a Cedarmania t-shirt, a Subway boxed lunch, and all activities. You can pick up a registration form from the Get Connected table. **All registration forms & fees must be turned in today to Janine Miller.** Checks should be made out to *First Presbyterian Church*.



CEDARMANIA



Speaker: Dr. Jeremy Kimble

For Teens

For Junior High

- Jr. High Night—Wednesdays at 6:30 pm at Gilbert's

For High School

- Campaigner's Bible Study—Monday nights, 6:30-7:30 pm at Baldauff's
- Young Life Club—Monday nights, 8:00 pm at Gilbert's

Scaffolding!

You may have noticed some scaffolding in the library hallway, just off the Sanctuary Overflow. Our stained glass window artist, Dick Reichart, is busily working on the alley windows, taking them out and transporting them to his workshop in Dayton.

The scaffolding will be set up for the next few months and we would like to keep that hallway available for use during this time, so if you have young children, please keep a close watch on them in this area. We don't want anyone to come out of there with extra bumps or bruises!

Looking Ahead...



The **Good Friday Community Service** will be held here at FPC on Friday, Mar. 30, at 7:00 pm. If you don't normally come to this service, please consider it. The Worship Team is planning a special service which will include **special music and video**. We'd love to fill the Sanctuary!

The **Community Easter Sunrise Service** will be held at the United Methodist Church beginning at 6:30 am on Easter Sunday morning.



Easter worship services will be held here at FPC at both 8:30 and 11:00 am with Sunday School at 10:00.

Pastor Paul's Schedule & Contact Info

Below is Pastor Paul's schedule for the next few weeks. The shaded days on the calendar below are the days which he will be present here at FPC or at Presbytery. To contact Pastor Paul, you may use the information below.

March 2018

Email: paul@firstpc.org

Cell Phone:
616-676-7196

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Fundraisers Update

Thank you to everyone who shopped at one of our fundraising constituents during the last few months! We have received the following donations:

- Kroger—\$50.83 for our Building Fund
- AmazonSmile—\$20.06 for our Missions Fund

Now your support goes 3 times as far

From Mar 12 – 31, Amazon will triple the donation rate to 1.5% on your first eligible purchase at smile.amazon.com.

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How do we sign up for AmazonSmile?

Just go to smile.amazon.com. Near the bottom of the page on the right-hand side, there is a bar asking for the name of the charity or organization you would like to support. Type in "First Presbyterian Church South Charleston," click on "Search", choose the correct choice, and you're all set. From now on, whenever you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon will automatically donate to FPC and until Mar. 31, will donate three times the usual amount.

Easter Flower Orders Due Next Sunday, March 18th

Fill out the form enclosed in this Newsletter and place it in the offering plate along with your flower payment.

