

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/Vision Team 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 Church Reserved for Cleaning
- Men's Fellowship (Great Room)
- 3-7 pm Fellowship Hall Reserved

Wednesday

- 6:00 pm Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- 6:30 pm Jr. High Night (Gilbert's)
- 6:30 pm Quartet Practice (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm Brass Practice (Sanctuary)

Thursday

- 10-11 am Women's Bible Study (Fell. Hall)
- 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

Our New Website!

FPC now has a new website! Please take a look at it this week and see what you think!

Some highlights:

1. **We have a new domain name**—www.fpconnect.org, but you can still get there via the old name (www.scharlestonfirst.org)
2. Our new website is **mobile-friendly!**—easy to read on your phone!
3. **Lots of new pictures!** (Thank you, Mindy Wildman!)
4. **Updated and new information**—see the sections about Our History, Our Team, What's Sunday Like?, Summer Adventure Camp, Manna Food Pantry, Upcoming Events, etc., etc.
5. **The FPC Connect tab**—this is just for you! While most of the website is aimed at someone new who is exploring our church, the FPC Connect tab is for those of you who already know about our church and are looking for something specific. This tab is at the top of each page and has direct links to the following:



- Sermons
- Directory
- Prayer Request
- Calendar
- Events
- Small Groups
- My eOffering
- Newsletters

There's no more hunting through the whole website to find information. Just go to *FPC Connect!*



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Pioneer Club Offerings

In Pioneer Clubs this past year, the kids brought in offerings for Bible translation for the Siberian Tatars. After Christmas, it was decided to have a contest between the boys and the girls to see who could contribute the most. The incredible results are below.

Fall Session Total		\$129.30
Winter session		
Girls	167.07	
Boys	155.89	
Extra	20.00	
Winter Session total		\$342.96
Yearly Total		\$472.26

Way to go, PC kiddos!!



April GOLD Club



This month the Gold Club will meet on Wednesday, April 25, at The Meadows (4105 E. National Rd. in Springfield) 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.

In this gritty and dramatic show, Ted Swartz walks you through his relationship with friend and business partner, Lee Eshleman, who took his own life in 2007. Ted explores the paradox of working with a comedic partner struggling with bipolar disorder, as well as the challenge of writing and performing stories about God while experiencing the absence of God after Lee's death. Ted uses multi-media and his twenty years of storytelling experience,

Laughter is Sacred Space is honest, funny and vulnerable, reveals the unique journey of working as a comedic actor under the shadow of a mental illness, and offers hope and humor in a way that only Ted could deliver.



John Legend Theater, 700 S. Limestone St. with parking and entrance on Clifton Ave., Springfield 45505

Admission is **FREE** but please **register now** to save your seat!

Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/laughter-is-sacred-space-tickets-42823786097>
For more information, contact info@namicgm.org or call 937-322-5600.

Upcoming Sermon Topics

- Apr. 15—The Worst of Sinners (1 Tim. 1:12-20)
- Apr. 22—Praying in Church (1 Tim. 2:1-15)
- Apr. 29—Overseers: A Noble Task (1 Tim. 3:1-7)
- May 6—Deacons: Bold in the Faith (1 Tim. 3:18-13)

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

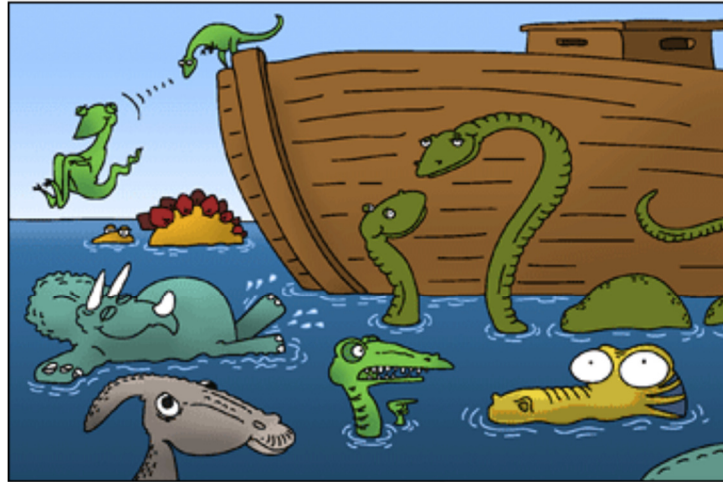
intentionalPrayer

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 and begin the interview process, that God would guide them and give them wisdom.
- * For Andrew Brunson who was just sentenced to 35 years in a Turkish prison, that he can feel God's presence, that his faith would not falter, and that his release could be arranged.
- * For our deacons as they serve the people of South Charleston this week with a food pantry distribution.
- * 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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Thanks to J.R. Lucas (See Genesis 6-8) 08-19-2013

YOU DROPPED THE LADDER BEFORE YOU CALLED FOR A DINOSAUR SWIM PARTY, RIGHT?

April's
Items of the Month for the Food Pantry

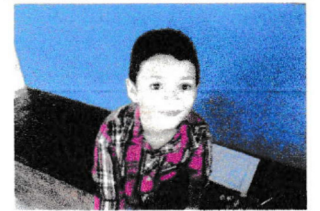
Peanut Butter Jelly

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

A Missionary to Honduras

Dear Friends and Family,

Hey everybody, it's been a couple weeks since I've returned from the mission trip. Now that I have had time to think about this awesome experience, I would like to share a little bit about how God is working in Honduras and my experience there. I would like for you to meet my friend Jose Abram! I got to hang out with this little guy at Sunday School and help him color and do his word search. He loves the game of soccer and loves Jesus. I didn't expect to build relationships in just a week-long trip with awesome people like Jose. Even though I only got to spend a short time with them, they really became family to the team and me.



Most of our time in Choluteca was spent at a vocational school pouring concrete for a sidewalk before the rainy season arrived. We had the privilege of working with a handful of students that attended the vocational school and with a gentleman named Don Chilo. I have never met such hard workers in my entire life and even though there was a language barrier, we were able to communicate and make a connection that will last in my heart forever.

I would like to say thank you so much for all the prayers and support that made it possible for me to go on this amazing trip. I can truly say that this experience has changed my life in ways that I never imagined, and I can't wait to see what God has in store for upcoming trips!

In Christ,

Jake Routzahn

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—**Only 3 more this school year!!**

Nursery Worker Schedule

April	
8	Julie White
15	Terri Paugh
22	Rachel Baldauff
29	Mindy Wildman

If you can help with May or June, please sign up at the Get Connected table.

A Friend in Need

Beth Webster, daughter of John & Diane Eichelberger, has recently been diagnosed with cancer. During her upcoming treatment, her husband, Jonathan, will be very busy caring for Beth and their young daughter and we'd like to help them out with food. It was suggested that instead of giving them food to heat up or prepare, Jonathan would prefer gift cards. :) There is a box for gift card donations at the Get Connected table.



Thank you!

Here are a few ideas:

- Kroger
- Panera
- McDonald's
- Taco Bell
- LaRosa
- Bob Evans
- KFC

From Bill Reisenweaver

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you so very much for the cards and Easter greetings. I enjoyed reflecting over all your names inside. I do hope things are well for you individually as well as a congregation.

I have to admit that celebrating holy week and Easter in the pew—my first in over 28 years—is very enjoyable and therapeutic.

Blessings,
Bill Reisenweaver

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. To contact Pastor Paul, you may use the information below.

Email: paul@firstpc.org

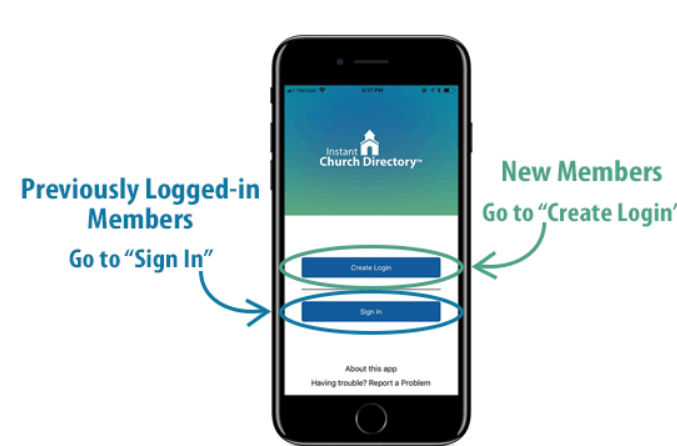
Cell Phone:
616-676-7196

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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					

Instant Church Directory App Update for iPhones

Instant Church Directory, our online/app directory service has updated their iPhone app. iOS users will be logged out of the app when you update to App Version 2.0 and will see the screen below. Rest assured, your directory has not "disappeared" -- you simply need to login again.



Login instructions for Members with existing passwords:

Click on "Sign In" on the Welcome screen >> Enter email address in the church directory and their unique password.

Instructions for members who forgot their password:

Click on "Sign In" on the Welcome screen >> Click on "Forgot Password?" and follow the prompts to reset password.

Login instructions for Members who are new to the app:

Click on "Create Login" on the Welcome screen and follow the on-screen prompts. See the side bar for details.

Sync Our Church Directory to Your Mobile Device

Now you can sync our church directory directly to your Apple, Android or Kindle Fire device with a FREE app!

Search for other members, and then email, call or text — right from the directory app.



It's Easy!

1. Go to your device's App Store.
2. Search for Instant Church Directory.
3. Enter your email as it's listed in our church directory.
4. Follow the directions on screen to complete the login process.

