

HOW TO RECEIVE CHRIST

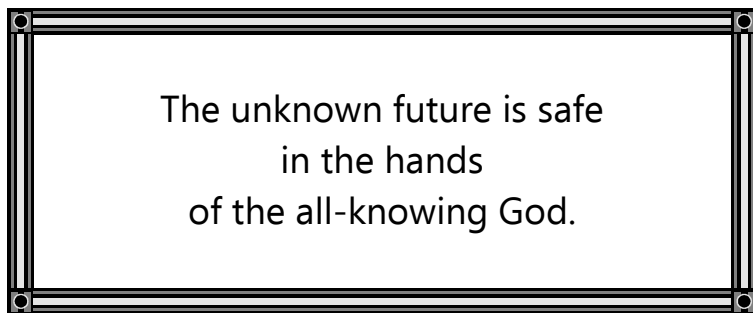
1. Admit your need.
"I am a sinner."
2. Be willing to turn from your sins.
"I am sorry for my sins, Lord. Please forgive me."
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you on the cross and rose from the grave.
"I believe you did what you said you did—that you died on the cross then rose from the dead and 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

Sunday	2-6 pm	Fellowship Hall Reserved
Monday	6:30-7:30 p 7:45 pm	Campaigner's (Baldauff Residence) Selection Team Meeting (Great Room)
Tuesday	6:30 am	Church Reserved Men's Fellowship (Great Room)
Wednesday	6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Junior High Night (Gilbert's) Quartet Practice (Sanctuary) Brass Practice (Sanctuary)
Thursday	10-11 am 6:30 pm	Women's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall) Grigorenko Growth Group (Baldauff's)
Sunday	8:30 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 12:30-10 pm	Traditional Worship Sunday School for All Ages Contemporary Worship Fellowship Hall Reserved



FPC NEWS



Mission Dessert



Everyone is invited to a Mission Dessert this evening at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Jake Routzahn will be discussing his recent mission trip to Honduras. Please come and bring a dessert to share.



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Graduation Sunday

Next Sunday, May 20th we will be honoring our graduates at the 11:00 service. They will be given Bibles and it would be great if everyone could sign them following the service. Our graduates this year are Emma Parker, Maddie White, Bradley Kohaniec, and Jesse Mitchell.



Sunday School News

Next Sunday
Last Sunday of regular youth Sunday School

June 3
Summer Sunday School Begins



If you would like to teach for a week this summer, see Dave Morrow today!

Upcoming Sermon Topics

- May 20—A Good Minister (1 Tim. 4:1-16)
- May 27—Behaving in Church (1 Tim. 5:1-16)
- June 3—Accountable Leadership (1 Tim. 5:17-6:2a)
- June 10—The Good Fight (1 Tim. 6:2b-21)

Where to turn to for help & answers...

- 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** TBD
- Finance **Elder** Jim Hildebrand
- Food Pantry Dan Smith, Jim Lightle, Fred Berge
- 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
- Small Groups Dave Morrow
- 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, Ryan Hennigan

May's Items of the Month for the Food Pantry

Tuna Helper Hamburger Helper

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



911? HELLO? MY BUDDY AND I JUST FOUND
A BUNCH OF SEA SCROLLS IN TROUBLE.
PLEASE HURRY OVER OR THEY MIGHT DIE!

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"If the only prayer you said was thank you, that would be enough."

— Meister Eckhart

Please pray for the following needs of the church during the coming weeks:

- * For our Selection Team, as they discern who will be our next pastor.
- * For the garage sale this coming weekend, that it can be instrumental with providing needed scholarships for those who would like to go to camp this summer.
- * For those in our congregation who are dealing with illness or injury including Rusty White, Nancy Deerwester, and Marilyn Shepherd.
- * For our EPC missionary, Andrew Brunson, to be released from his imprisonment so he can go home to his family.
- * For the spiritual renewal of our church, community, and the Evangelical Presbyterian Church, that the Holy Spirit would deepen our love for Jesus.

Garage Sale

This Friday and Saturday, May 18 & 19, there will be a garage sale in our parking lot from 9am-4pm each day. All proceeds will go towards scholarships for summer camps (Crossings Jr. High and Pioneer Camp).

If you would like to donate anything to be sold at the sale, we are accepting larger ticket items (\$10 or above). We will not be accepting clothing. We will also be doing a bake sale including small concessions like water and popsicles as well as taking t-shirt orders.



If you would like to help in any way, that would be wonderful!

- Large ticket items can be delivered to the parking lot Friday morning. If you'd like to drop off something early, you may leave it in the Robert's Room.
- Baked items for the bake sale can be delivered Friday morning or delivered to the church kitchen by Thursday evening.
- We are in need of sales people! If you can help man the tables, that would be a huge blessing.

If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please contact Rachel Baldauff (937-215-2804).

Small Group News

We now have a group who has been meeting to form some guidelines for future small groups here at FPC and have put the following together:

Definition: A small group of believers who meet regularly to study the Bible and share life together around the person of Jesus Christ.

Why are SG's important?

- Endorsed by Jesus—*"For where two or three have gathered together in my Name..."*
- Provide safe environment to discuss the Bible and ask questions
- Offer mutual encouragement along life's path. (Heb 10:24,24)
- Keep each other accountable— *"As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another."*
- Share the ups and downs of life
 - ◇ Deepen friendships
 - ◇ Allow for spiritual growth
 - ◇ Supply opportunity to pray about personal concerns

Thank You

Thank you, Thank you, Thank You !!!

The Election Day Salad Bar was a success due to everyone’s help including those who put up flyers, those who helped set up the tables and chairs, those who prepared many delicious salads, pies, nut bread and scalloped chicken, those who came to eat, the cashier, those who graciously helped on Tuesday, those who helped clean up – putting tables and chairs away and vacuuming and, of course, those who kept us in their prayers. We took in \$656 that will help fund a future project. Don’t forget to pick up your dishes on the cart by the kitchen in Fellowship Hall.

Again, thank you to all,

Jane Hildebrand

I want to take this time to say “Thank You” for all your prayers and concerns. I am on the mend and that means that your prayers are being answered God is good. All the time, God is good.

Raymond French

Dear FPC,

Words can’t express how incredibly grateful my family and I are for all the thoughts, prayers, gifts, and support we have received. The love we have received has made this journey easier and I believe the prayers are working. I grew up with many of you and you all hold a special place in my heart. Thank you again and God bless you all.

Love,

Beth (Eichelberger), Jonathan, & Cadence Webster

A New Baby!

Congratulations to Matt & Stacey Locke on the birth of a son, Maddox William, on April 30 at 1:53 pm. Maddox weighs 9 lb., 14.6 oz, and is 22 inches long. He joins sister, Sadie, who is 2 1/2. The proud grand-ma is Laura Cheney Waymire.



A New Name, A New Identity

On April 4, the Marriage Resource Center became the “Encompass Connection Center.” The name change was brought about because of all the additional ways the MRC has found over the years to reach out to the communi-



ty. They found that a lot of the relationship skills they taught the couples who sought help were applicable not only to married couples but also to parent/child relationships as well as relationships in the workplace. Because of this, the MRC leadership decided to change their name to catch up with what they were actually doing.

The new ECC surrounds those they serve with hope and encouragement while pointing them, like a compass, to "true north" values and skills. The transition process to this new identity will take several months to update their website, promotional materials, signs, bulletin boards, distribution lists, logins, legal modifications, etc. so you may continue to see Marriage Resource Center until then. They hope to be totally transitioned over to the new name by the end of June. Their new website is encompasscc.org.



Nursery Worker Schedule

May	June
13 Maddie White Emma Parker	3 Pam & Emily Vaughn
20 Cathy Delk Ryleigh Curtin	10 Karin Rotroff
27 Deanna, Kate, & Scarlett Mattinson	17 Father’s Day (no staffed nursery)
	24 Diana Timmons Jodi Smith

Lost & Found

The Lost & Found box in the coatroom is overflowing. Please check it to see if any items belong to you. Anything left after today will be given a new home.



May GOLD Club



This month the Gold Club will meet on Wednesday, May 23, at Hibachi Grill (Park Shopping Center, 1071 N. Bechtle in Springfield) at 11:30 am. For car pooling information and reservations, please call Barb Florence at 462-7398 **no later than Sunday, May 20.** We will need to know ahead of time if you are coming so that we have enough seating for everyone.

Pastor Paul's Schedule & Contact Info

This 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

May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	30	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	1	2

Pioneer Camp 2018



Dates: July 30—Aug. 1

Location: 4-H Camp Clifton (2256 Clifton Rd., Yellow Springs)

Campers: Kids entering grades 4-7 in the fall

Volunteers: Needed! See the display in the Fellowship Hall for what jobs need to be filled.

Theme: Pirates!! *Ahoy Mateys: Where be yer treasure?* (Matthew 6:20)

Camp Fees: Campers: \$135 (discounts & scholarships available!)

Teen Helpers: \$75

Adult Helpers: Free

Questions? Contact Rachel Baldauff (937-215-2804)

Registration opens June 1 at www.fpconnect.org/childrensministries.

\$10 Early Bird discount if registered by June 17th.

Pioneer Club Community Pool Party



**Free for All
Ages!**

Friday, June 1st
South Charleston Community Pool

\$5 Camp Discount code found at the pool party!

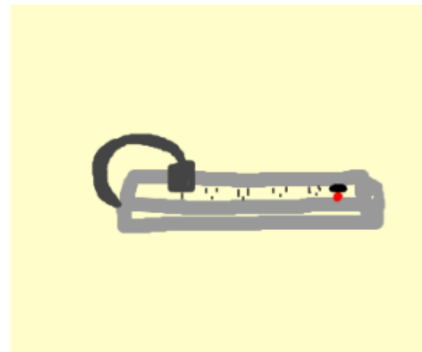


Everyone is invited to a graduation celebration in honor of **Emma Parker & Maddie White** on Saturday, June 2, from 3-7 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

The story is told of someone who plugged a power strip into itself and then couldn't understand why the system wouldn't turn on! We get a kick out of such tales, yet how often do we try to "power" our own lives? We frequently think we need to be the source of our own strength, joy, peace, energy and wisdom.

Jesus doesn't teach us to find life within ourselves – or in any human being or earthly circumstance, object or philosophy. Rather, calling himself the good shepherd, Jesus says, "I have come that [my sheep] may have life, and have it abundantly" (John 10:10).

We don't access that abundant life by "plugging into" ourselves. Instead, Jesus invites us to plug into his power – and joy, peace, hope, truth – through prayer and Scripture, worship and service, fellowship with other Christians and the beauty of God's world.



Andrew Brunson

The following is a summary of an article at www.christiantimes.com on Wed., May 9, 2018.

Andrew Brunson's trial resumed this past Monday in Ankara, Turkey. The prosecution presented an anonymous witness, testifying via a long-distance system, who accused Mr. Brunson of working with Kurdish militants to establish a Christian Kurdish state. The judge also dismissed all of the witnesses who were called in the defense of Pastor Brunson without listening to any of them.

Sandra Jolley, vice chair of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom attended the trial. She stated that the hearing was "dominated by wild conspiracies, tortured logic, and secret witnesses, but no real evidence to speak of."

Andrew was returned to prison following the trial. The next trial date is set for July 18th.

Please keep Andrew & his family in your prayers.

Helping a Family in Need

We have a family in our congregation who has asked for assistance with supplying diabetic lunches. If you would be interested in helping to supply one or two per week for the next month or two, please contact Janine Miller (937-207-7679).

A group of second-graders was quizzed about what ingredients their mothers are made of. One child said, "God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world, and one dab of mean."

To the question "What does your mom do in her spare time?" one youngster said, "Mothers don't do spare time."

When the children were asked "Why did God give you your mother and not some other mom?" one child replied, "God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's moms like me."



Andrew Brunson prior to imprisonment



Andrew after 18+ months in prison