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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."
- If you have recently received Christ, we would like to give you a Bible. Contact Pastor Aaron if you are interested.

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Events in Our Church Family

Sunday

12:15 pm Nominating Committee Mtg (Rm. B-01) 6:30 pm Small Group 1 (Grigorenko's) 6:30 pm Small Group 3 (Berrier's)

Monday

2:30-10 pm Fellowship Hall Reserved 6:30 pm Small Group 4 (Rotroff's) 8:00 pm Senior High Campaigner's (Gilbert's)

Tuesday

7:30-1 pm Fellowship Hall Reserved 9:00 am Staff Meeting (Village Cup) 3-7 pm Sanctuary Reserved

Wednesday

6:00 am Men's Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 pm Pioneer Clubs
6:30 pm Jr. High Night (Gilbert's)
6:30 pm Small Group 5 (Rice's)
6:45 pm Women's Bible Study (Rm. B-01)
7:00 pm Community Ash Wednesday Service (UMC)

Thursday

10:30a-12p Praise Leaders' Practice (Sanctuary)
3-8 pm Fellowship Hall & CE Wing Reserved
6:30 pm Small Group 2 (Vaughn's)
7:00 pm Brass Practice (Sanctuary)

Sunday

8:30 am Worship Service
10:00 am Sunday School for all ages
11:00 pm Worship Service
6:30 pm Small Group 1 (Grigorenko's)
6:30 pm Small Group 3 (?)



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FPC NEWS



This week we are offering the first Community **Ash Wednesday** in over 15 years. The Methodist Church is hosting the community on Wednesday at 7 pm for a special service. Pastor Aaron will be speaking.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent and helps to focus our hearts on repentance and prayer.



"When we come forward to receive ashes on Ash Wednesday, we are saying that we are sorry for our sins, and that we want to use the season of Lent to correct our faults, purify our hearts, control our desires and grow in holiness so we will be prepared to celebrate Easter with great joy."

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Adventures in **Exploring the Bible**

By Rev. Dr. Aaron W. White. Ph.D.

Greetings, those dearly loved by God,

Let me tell you how blessed I have felt recently. I am so encouraged to see the Lord moving in such miraculous ways at FPC and around our village! God is good and faith-

Part of the encouragement I have felt is a result of our Exploring the Bible sermon series. I have heard some say that they are excited to get to church because they "do not want to miss the next episode!" and others have prioritized worship for the first time because they are so excited to continue to learn about God's Word and His rescue plan found in the Bible. I am so glad to hear this!

Many of you are maybe also entering a time of fatigue. Naturally, we put an enormous amount of pressure on ourselves at the beginning of each year to resolve to be a better person. Of course, you know my opinions on that! God is always making us more holy, as Ephesians 2:10 promises us, and it is not New Year's resolutions that do this work! However, to start to feel worn out from that extra exertion and from winter dragging on is totally normal.

I would also imagine that such fatigue also reaches to our desire to get into Exploring the Bible each day. I know that feeling. However, I would encourage you to keep up your daily readings in ETB. If you have fallen off the wagon or have yet to jump on the wagon for the first time, hear my invitation to jump on! It is good for you, you will feel better, you will learn new things, and you will feel a closer connection to your fellow church members by doing so! Don't try to make up any days, jump on where you are

Remember, in all things you are dearly loved children of God for whom He spared no cost. God loves you with all He has.

Have a blessed week.

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Sermon Series: Exploring the Bible—How God Relates to Us

Mar. 1— God Debriefs His People (Deut. 8, 33-34)—Aaron Baldauff

Mar. 8—God Give His People A Home (Joshua 1, 2)—Don Grigorenko

Mar. 15—God Give His People A King (1 Samuel 16-17)

Mar. 22—God Makes Another Promise (2 Samuel 7, 11-12)

Where to turn to for help & answers...

Building Maintenance	Bob Entler
Card Ministry	Barbara Florence
Chair Loan	Janine Miller
Change of Address, Phone or Name	Janine Miller
Church Calendar	Janine Miller
Deacons	Dan Smith, Fred Berge, Jim Lightle Bob Entler, Steve Paugh, Brad Timmons
Food Pantry	Jim Lightle, Fred Berge, Dan Smith
Membership	Pastor Aaron White
Music Ministry	Carol Wildman, Deanna Mattinson
Newsletter	Janine Miller
Nursery	Julie White
Pioneer Clubs	Jodi Smith
Prayer Chain	Janine Miller
Rental, Church Facilities	Janine Miller
Session	Pastor Aaron White, Rob Vaughn, Jim Hildebrand Greg Rice, Todd Severt, Chris Cain, Janine Miller
Small Groups	Don Grigorenko
Website	Janine Miller

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March's

Items of the Month for the **Food Pantry**

Pancake Mix Syrup

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

GOLD Club



This past Wednesday, the 2020 Gold Club schedule kicked off at the Asian Grill. We had a wonderful time! If you are 55 or older, you qualify to participate so come join us next month. Our next gathering will be on Wed., Mar. 25th at *The Meadows*. For car pooling information or reservations, please call Barb Florence at 462-7398.

Nursery Volunteers		Mar. 29	Erin Webb	
			Sarah Vaughn	
Mar. 1	Deanna Mattinson Kate Mattinson	Apr. 5	Melody Henderson Sarah Vaughn	
Mar. 8	Missi Spears Kenzie Spears	Apr. 12	Julie White Ashley Woods	
Mar. 15	April Entler Rylan McInerney	Apr. 19	Christy Routzahn Aiden White	
Mar. 22	Kenzie White Aiden White	Apr. 26	Barbie Cain Sarah Vaughn	



From last week's sermon:

Under the shepherding of His perfect law and made whole by His empowering presence, God forms an imperfect people to reach an imperfect world knowing that they will do it imperfectly.



Thanks to the following people for their service to God during the past month:

Valerie Lemon, Lynne Pulver, and Matt & Stacey Locke for greeting at our worship services.

Pam Vaughn, Sarah Vaughn, Cathy Delk, Aiden White, Sarah White, Josiah White, and Laura **Waymire** for serving in the nursery.

Bob Entler, Louise Berrier, Sarah White, Josiah White, Aaron White, and **Sarah Wildman** for taking down the wallpaper in the manse.

Fred Berge & Bob Entler for taking on replacing some flooring in the manse.

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FPC Directory App

Many in our church say they love the convenience of having access to our church directory on their cell phone. If you have not yet taken advantage of this little prize but would like to, below are instructions on how to set it up. When creating a login, you must use the email address you gave to the church. For security reasons, only those emails listed in the directory can be linked to the app. If you have any questions, please see Janine Miller.

Download the App from the App Store.
 Search for "Instant Church Directory" and look for this icon:



- 2. Open the app and click on the Create Login button.
- 3. Enter your email address that is used in your church's directory.
- Create a password. The password must be 8 characters long and must contain at least two of the following special characters: capital letters, numbers or symbols.
- 5. Retype the password to confirm it and click Create Login.
- Check your inbox for an email from service@instantchurchdirectory.com.
- To complete the sign-up process, you will need to verify your email address by clicking on the link sent to you in that email.
- Once you confirm your email, you may open the app and click Sign In to log into your church's directory.



Your email with the password you created will work on all the Instant Church Directory apps on any device, as well as the member website at *members.InstantChurchDirectory.com*.

You may also download a paper copy of the directory from our website at www.fpcconnect.org/fpcconnection/directory.

March Anniversaries

Mar. 16 Tom & Lois Staton—29 years

Mar. 18 Tom & Sharon Allen—31 years

Mar. 27 Craig & Lori Skillings—21 years



Election Day Salad Bar

On Tuesday, Mar. 17, our church will be sponsoring our biannual Election Day Salad Bar. Call a friend and stop by! We will be serving from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. The cost is just \$7.00 for adults & \$3 for children 12 & under. No reservations needed!



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MENU

Delicious Scalloped Chicken

Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Salads

Homemade Pies

Iced Tea, Punch & Coffee

Rolls & Bread

All food is prepared and donated by members and friends of the Women's Association of First Presbyterian Church.



Music Opportunities for All Ages!

Adults & Teens

Anyone who is interested in singing in a special choir to learn one or two songs for the **Easter Season**, please contact Carol Wildman or Deanna Mattinson. There is also a sign up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Practices will be on Sunday evenings at 5:30 pm for the next several weeks.

Children

Any children interested in **bell choir** are welcome to attend upcoming practices which will be starting in the next several weeks. More information to come.