

MINISTRY UPDATES

NEW & UPCOMING

Retirement Annoucemnt

After 21 years of service, our friend, member, and beloved Chancel Choir Director, Dr. John Yarrington has announced his retirement in May 2022. Dr. Y, as he is fondly called, has been a faithful member of the FPC community, guiding our Chancel Choir with dedicated giftedness and a heart for the mission and vision of this church. We are grateful for all he and his wife, Diane, have shared with us and look forward to celebrating him in his final months of service. To read Dr. Yarrington's message to the FPC community, please click <u>here</u>. In his new role, Daniel Wagner, Director of Worship, will manage the search for our next Chancel Choir Director. It is his goal to build on the legacy of the FPC worship ministry as he provides vision and direction for the future.

First Grade Bible Sunday

Sun | Oct 31 | 10:45 AM | Grand Hall

Our 1st Graders will receive their very own copy of the Bible during this meaningful rite of passage in our church. We encourage you and your children of all ages to join us in worship to witness this special moment for our littlest disciples. Contact <u>Katie Hill</u> for more information.

Explore FPC Class

Sat | Nov 6 | 9 AM-3 PM | Living Room

Interested in learning more about FPC? This class explores the tenets of our reformed faith and ways to engage in discipleship and community. You will also discover what it means to dedicate your time and talents to the mission of FPC and ministries that advance God's kingdom. To register, please click <u>here</u>. This class is a requirement to join the FPC family.

Outreach Ministry Update

Comprised of Church Planting, Evangelism, Missions, and the Center for Faith, Work & Innovation, the Outreach team offers a host of ways to serve. To learn more about the latest work and upcoming activities, please take a moment to read our <u>Outreach Update</u>.



WORSHIP

Join Us This Sunday For Worship!

In-Person & Online Contemporary Service | Grand Hall | 10:45 AM Traditional Service | Sanctuary | 10:45 AM

Join Us Online

Worship with your FPC family or invite a friend: FPC Live | Facebook | YouTube



SUNDAY MORNING DISCIPLESHIP

Sundays | 9:35-10:35 AM | Library

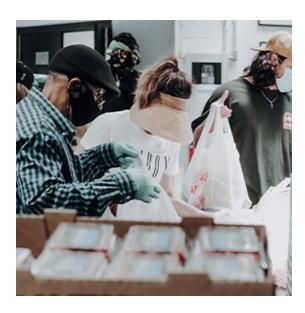
Adult Discipleship Sunday School Boomers Born 1940-1959 | 9:30–10:30 AM | Living Room Cornerstone Parents | 9:30–10:30 AM | Solarium Intersections Intergenerational Class | 9:30–10:30 AM | Fellowship Hall

Children's Sunday School | 9:30–10:30 AM PreK-3rd grade | Check-in at Connections Desk 4th/5th grade | Check-in at the Chapel

Children's Worship Care | 9:15–11:15 AM Childcare during worship is available for infants-PreK. Please drop off your child(ren) at the Connections Desk near the Sanctuary.

Youth Sunday School Drop-off is at 9:20 AM | Youth Area <u>MS Registration</u> | 9:30–10:30 AM <u>HS Registration</u> | 9:45–10:30 AM

Young Adult Sunday School



season. Email Jenny Sommer to RSVP.

Nehemiah Center Events

2021 Golf Classic

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

houston welcomes refugees

Donations & Volunteers Needed

FPC has several "Welcome Teams" formed who come alongside families arriving from Afghanistan. We want to help them settle in by providing household items and furniture. If you have gently used items to donate or would like to volunteer on a "Welcome Team," contact <u>Lea Byrd</u>.

Main Street Ministries Community Garden Sat | Nov 6 | 102 Portland St

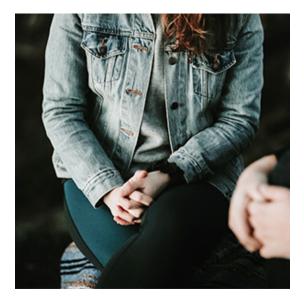
Enjoy time in God's creation by weeding, cleaning up pathways, and mulching beds for the winter

Join this tournament as we raise money to help our students overcome the learning deficits they experienced over the past year. To learn more and register, click <u>here</u>.

Annual Elves for Nehemiah Center

It's time for the Annual Elves for Nehemiah Center! Beginning Sunday, November 7, there will be a sign-up table in Palm Court where you may request a family to bless with Christmas presents. The table will be there every Sunday throughout the month of November or you can email <u>Jose</u> <u>Perez</u> or <u>Melodee Jordan</u>. If you have questions, please email <u>Patsy Powell</u>.

For more information, contact Lea Byrd.



CARING MINISTRY

DivorceCare Support Group

For more information, contact Lija Shah.

Thur | Oct 28–Feb 10 | 8–9 PM | Register

GriefShare Support Group Mon | Nov 1–Feb 14 | 6:30-–8 PM | <u>Register</u>

Prayers of the People Lay Chaplaincy Training Sat | Nov 6 | 9 AM-1 PM | Zoom | <u>Register</u>

In-home Communion Offering If you or someone you know would like to receive communion, contact <u>Caring Ministry</u> or call **713.620.6546**.

CHILDREN & FAMILY MINISTRY

Family Movie Night: The Star

Wed | Nov 17 | 6:30–8:30 PM | Fellowship Hall Join the Children & Family Ministry for a "drive-in" movie showing of The Star: an adventurous story of animal friends who follow the Christmas Star and become accidental heroes on their journey. Bring a picnic blanket for your family and we'll provide the popcorn and treats!

For more information, contact <u>Stacey Rockwell</u>.



DISCIPLESHIP

D-Group Luncheon

Sun | Nov 7 | 12–2 PM | Fellowship Hall If you're interested in taking steps towards deeper discipleship at FPC, or have heard about D-Groups and would like to learn more, join us for lunch as we talk about simple ways to get connected. To learn more and register, click <u>here</u>.

Couples Night Out

Sat | Nov 13 | 5:30–8:30 PM | Fellowship Hall To equip the married couples in our church family to strengthen their relationships with God and one another, we have planned FPC Couple's Night

Out. Join other married couples of all ages for this event. To learn more and register, click here.

For more information, contact Catie Smith.

To receive critical updates and campus alerts via text, please register by texting **"Updates"** to **484848**.



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