

Friends,

As we settle in to more regular routines and schedules for the new year, we hope that making time for some of the opportunities detailed in the email below will encourage you in your faith, family, and community. Please continue to sign up for **The Prayer Course** and look out on our social media pages for highlights from the course that you can easily share with a friend.

Please note that the Chevron Houston Marathon is this Sunday, which will close off Montrose Blvd. Please enter and exit the parking lot or museum garage from Main street until Montrose reopens.

Several changes have been made to improve our parking systems. Please see the Parking Updates section below for details.

Thank you,
FPC Communications



Fri | Jan 20 | 6-9 PM
Sat | Jan 21 | 8:45 AM-3:30 PM

Do you want to feel known and loved by your spouse? God embedded marriage in the story of creation *and* redemption. He addresses our relationships with *good news!* Through looking at Genesis 1-3 and hearing practical illustrations from teachers Jim and Sara Singleton's own marriage, we will learn how strong love results from a greater attachment to God and our spouses.

[Register by Tuesday! >](#)

KEY UPCOMING EVENTS



Beginning this Month | Multiple Times & Locations

Join one of the many FPC Women's groups kicking off this month for the spring. Connect over books or Bible studies in Salt & Light, WoW, Sojourn Book Club, First Place for Health, or in a Women's Small Group. Invite a friend or try a new group!

[More Details Here >](#)



Sat | Jan 14 | 3-7 PM |
Taco Dinner to Follow

Are you a fan of movies and good conversation? Come watch *2001: A Space Odyssey* and then discuss how it resonated with you personally and with the culture around us. The group will then retreat to Hermann Park for tacos. This engaging event is great to invite non-Christian friends to attend with you.

[Contact >](#)



Beginning Jan 17 & Feb 8 | Multiple Times & Locations

Calling all moms: connect with one (or more) of the three FPC Mom's Groups this year, and feel free to invite a friend! Meeting times and books that will be studied vary between the groups. Read more about the options at the link below.

[More info Here >](#)

PRESBYTERIAN SCHOOL UPDATES

Garden Alongside Presbyterian School and Main Street Ministries

Presbyterian School Second Graders and their teachers are partnering with Main Street Ministries (MSM) to maintain the community gardens located across the street from the FPC North Parking Lot. Students have planted numerous vegetables, herbs, fruits, and flowers and enjoy tending to their gardens weekly. The produce from the gardens is delivered to The Heights Food Pantry for distribution to the under-resourced. Interested in helping? Join on the first Saturday of every month from 9-10:30 AM at First Saturday Serve, or on most Sundays from 2-4 PM. For details, email [Carrie Sadler](#).

SERVE WITH FPC

Looking for a way to serve in the church or connect with our local and global mission partners? See full details about current needs and opportunities below.

MLK Freedom Liturgy Walk with Restoring Justice

Mon | Jan 16 | 4-6 PM | 100 Jackson St., Ste. 120, HTX 77002

Join others with hearts for justice and our ministry partners at Restoring Justice to walk from their office to the jail a few blocks away to pray and sing for the 9,000+ detainees, letting them hear our collective love for them.

[More details here >](#)

Local Mission Partner Field Trip | Jan 26 | 12 PM | Houston Welcomes Refugees | [Details](#)

[More Ways to Serve](#)

PARKING UPDATES

We continue to work to make parking options at FPC more accessible and convenient. To this end, we would like to share the following updates:

- Our parking lot shuttle service is fully operational and can now be requested via phone. In addition to providing car-to-door service from the North lot for either the Sanctuary or Palm Court, the shuttle service also allows us to free up "limited mobility" parking spaces that were historically blocked by our valet service. **To request a pick-up, please call the Parking Lot Shuttle Driver at 832-454-5293 for assistance.** And don't forget to save the number in your phone for future use!
- The Sanctuary driveway is now accessible for convenient drop-off, in addition to the existing options at the Palm Court and Welcome Center driveways. To utilize the Sanctuary drop-off area, simply pull through the Sanctuary driveway, stop at the crosswalk, let passengers out, and park your car in either the North Lot or MFAH parking garage.
- To provide additional ease-of-access options for those with mobility challenges, we are adding six "Limited Mobility" spaces to the North Lot. These spaces should be available by the end of the month.

If you have additional questions about parking options at FPC, please visit our [parking page](#) or feel free to email [Hunter Johnson](#).

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

GriefShare

Mondays | Jan 23-May 1 | 12:00-1:30 PM | Library

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Anyone who has gone through the loss of a loved one and needs support is welcome to attend this lunch hour group.

[Details and Registration Here >](#)

Tacos & TED Talk Discussion

Tue | Jan 24 | 7-9 PM | Fellowship Hall

Do you find TED Talks interesting? Would you like to discuss your thoughts with others? Invite a friend and join us to have a taco dinner, watch an intellectually engaging TED Talk, and discuss its relevance in your life and the culture around us. This is a great event to invite a friend, believer or non-Christian, to come to with you.

[Contact for More Information >](#)

Explore FPC Class

Sat | Feb 4 | 9-3 PM | LC 181

Interested in learning what it means to become a member, or Covenant Partner, of FPC? This class explores the tenets of our reformed faith and ways to engage in discipleship and community with the goal of spiritual maturity.

[Register Here >](#)

Blood Drive at FPC

Sun | Feb 5 | 9 AM-1 PM | Mini-Gym

Did you know that the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center needs 1,000 donations every day to serve patients in our community? Come give the gift of life by donating blood here at FPC. Sign up to donate through the link below.

[Register to Donate Here >](#)

Marriage Beginnings

Sundays | Feb 19-Mar 26 | 12:00-1:30 PM | Living Room

Marriage is a gift from God and we place a high value on the importance and necessity of preparing for this relationship, before and after marriage. This class is beneficial to all as we work towards glorifying God in the way we love our future or current spouse.

Whether you are considering engagement, engaged, or newly married, we encourage you to join us!

[Register Here >](#)

For a full list of upcoming events, visit the FPC Events Calendar

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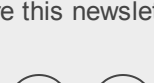
SUNDAY MORNING

Join us for our 8:15 AM Convergent service, 10:45 AM Contemporary service, or 11 AM Traditional service.

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