

Friends,

As we head into the long weekend, there is much to share about the happenings within our community...

- We are pleased to share that last Sunday eight people joined our church family: Ruth Dannenfelser, Elliott Foxley, Ijang Menyonga, Blake Odom, Russell Ross, Julia Volpi, Ryan Volpi, and Vicky Yao.
- In a little over a week, we will begin a new ministry year commencing with our annual Fall Kickoff.
- On Sunday, September 17, we invite you to join Pastor Curtis for coffee and dessert as he shares more about the visioning process our church will enter into this fall.

There's much to share, so please continue reading for more on life at FPC this week... As a reminder, the FPC building will be closed on Saturday and Monday in honor of the Labor Day holiday, but be sure to join us Sunday at one of our three services and plan to stop by for a hotdog and refreshments on the Sanctuary lawn immediately following the 10:45 and 11:00 AM services!



Join us for Fall Kick-Off Sunday

Mark your calendar to attend our annual kick-off to the ministry year. Join us beginning at 9:15 AM in Fellowship Hall for breakfast, a message from Pastor Curtis about the year ahead, and a fair featuring the ministries, classes, and groups specifically focused on helping you grow in faith. We can't wait to see you there!

KEY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



Sat | Sept 16 | 5-8 PM Living Room

Join Meaghan Hampton, LPC Associate and FPC Covenant Partner, as she provides us with a Christ-centered and scientifically informed understanding of the origins of depression and anxiety and how parents and kids can cope.

Learn More >



Sun | Sept 17 | 7-8:30 PM Fellowship Hall

Enjoy coffee and dessert as we learn about **the upcoming visioning process** our church leadership will begin this fall and how it will be used to guide our priorities through our 200-year anniversary.



Wed | Sept 20 | 7:30-8:30 AM | Fellowship Hall

Connect with men of all ages over breakfast! Hear a practical and powerful message from Doug Meikle, Founder & Executive Director of TrueWorks, before starting your work day. Invite a friend! Childcare available.

Register >

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Looking for a way to serve or connect with our local and global mission partners? See full details about current opportunities using the More Ways to Serve link below.

FPC has a special group of Covenant Partners who are considered to be "in-home" and are no longer able to attend group meetings and church services. Would you consider brightening someone's day and being a friend to one of our FPC family members? If interested, email the **Caring Ministry**.

Local Mission Partner Field Trip

Thur | Sept 28 | 12 PM | Open Door Mission

This month we are visiting Open Door Mission, a faith and evidence-based recovery program and facility that has been dedicated to helping the unsheltered population in Houston since 1954. Participants can either meet in the FPC North Lot at 11:30 AM and carpool or meet directly at the ministry location. Contact **Kennedy Hunter** to RSVP.

Global Mission Forum: Hope in the Middle East

Mon | Oct 2 | 6 PM | Fellowship Hall

Come hear how God is moving in the midst of challenges and suffering in the Middle East and North Africa. Jossour-Bridges of Hope founder, Fayez Ishak, and team member Ezzat Kamel, will share updates on the ministry of their team members serving in very difficult locations. There is good news to share in spite of the hardship and news we hear.

Please RSVP to Kennedy Hunter.

MORE WAYS TO SERVE

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chancel Choir Fall Workshop

Sat | Sept 9 | 8:30 AM-12 PM | CE 240

The FPC Chancel Choir is looking for new singers! Come see what it's all about by participating in their annual Fall Workshop to kick off the year. Contact **Nancy Turner** so that preparations may be made for your participation.

Women of the Word (WoW)

Tue | Sept 12 | 9:30 AM-12 PM | LC 181

Join women of all stages of life for a morning of study and fellowship at FPC or online. This fall we will study *Forgotten God* by Frances Chan.

Moms' Book Groups

Begin Sept 12 & 13 | Multiple Times & Locations

Calling all moms: connect with one of the three FPC Moms' Groups this fall, and feel free to invite a friend! Meeting times and books that will be studied vary between the groups.

Learn More & Register >

Movie & Taco Night

Sat | Sept 16 | 4-7 PM | LC 080

Join us to watch a movie over popcorn and snacks. Immediately after, the group will retreat to Hermann Park for tacos.

This event is a great opportunity to invite a friend of any faith to join.

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

EVENTS CALENDAR

SUNDAY MORNING

Join us this Sunday, in person or online, for one of our three services: 8:15 AM Convergent | 10:45 AM Contemporary | 11 AM Traditional

LEARN MORE

SUNDAY RESOURCES

Congregational Care Updates | Counseling Resources | Prayer & Support | Employment

We encourage you to share this newsletter with family and friends!





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