

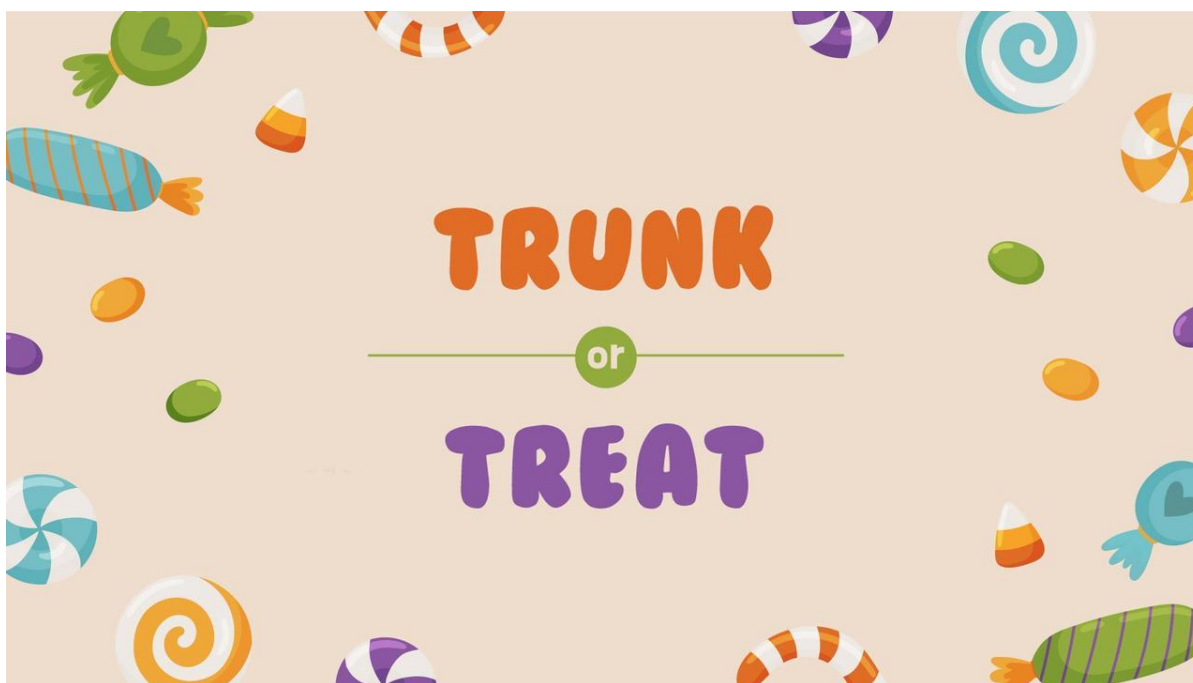
FPC Family,

What a great time we had last Sunday worshipping with our friends from Presbyterian School. If you missed the wonderful moments of singing and reading by Presbyterian School students, parent testimonies, and the special message from Pastor Curtis, you can view it now from our [Online Campus](#). Looking ahead to this weekend, we are excited to celebrate First Grade Bible Sunday during our Contemporary service and kick off part two of our Galatians series, *Forgiven & Free*, with a message from Pastor Curtis titled "Two Ways to Live."

We are also now in Week 4 of our 2024 Stewardship campaign. If you haven't already, you can view our featured community member, Allison Parker, sharing her *Here for the Gospel, Here for Houston* story below. As you reflect on hers and other stories from our community, we hope you will take a moment to express your commitment to the mission and vision of FPC Houston by submitting your [pledge card](#) for the 2024 calendar year today.

Finally, please join us as we keep the family of Brian Dunagan and the Highland Park Presbyterian Church community in our prayers as they grieve the unexpected loss of their senior pastor. Reverend Dunagan, who provided our lesson at Mo-Ranch last July, passed away in his sleep early this morning. We are grateful for our brief time with him last summer and mourn with this community.

Please read on for updates on life at FPC this week...



Sat | Oct 28 | 4–6 PM | North Parking Lot

A parking lot of fun awaits for FPC and KDO families, their friends, and our surrounding community! Invite your friends to join you for trunk-or-treating as we shine God's light through generosity and open doors—or rather, decorated trunks!

[Learn More >](#)

KEY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



Sun | Oct 29 | 5:30 PM | Youth House

Get ready for carnival games, food, candy, and lots of energy as the middle schoolers kick off fall in the Youth House. There is no cost for the event, so be sure to invite a friend!

[Register >](#)



Sun | Nov 12 | 12–2 PM | Living Room

Join Jeanmarie Tade, Pastoral Resident, and Catie Smith, Director of Parenting and Marriage Ministries, as they offer practical perspectives and spiritual practices for all generations to simplify the holidays and enrich your life. Lunch included.

[Register >](#)



Thur | Nov 16 | 5:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Start the season right with a family "drive-in" movie featuring *The Star*! Wear your PJs, grab a blanket (or your best "picnic" set up), and get ready to laugh along with your church family as we set our eyes on Christmas. Dinner and snacks provided.

[Learn More >](#)

STEWARDSHIP 2024

Here for the Gospel. Here for Houston.

As we focus in on our year-long priority, it's a great time to hear stories of those within our community—members and local mission partners—who illustrate what it means to be *Here for the Gospel, Here for Houston*. This week, our testimony

comes from **Allison Parker**, who has the unique experience of being both an FPC Covenant Partner and a staff member.



As you consider all that First Presbyterian Church of Houston is, was, and is yet to be, we hope you will take a moment to pledge your continued financial support in 2024.

[MAKE A PLEDGE](#)

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.

Nehemiah Center Christmas Elves

Sundays | Oct 29–Nov 26 | 9 AM–12:15 PM | Palm Court

The Nehemiah Center Christmas Elves program benefits the children and the families of the center by sponsoring a family to provide Christmas gifts. To sponsor a family, please visit the Christmas Elves table in Palm Court. For questions email **Patsy Powell**.

Cullen Middle School Staff Appreciation Breakfast

Wed | Nov 1 | 7:30–8:30 AM | Cullen Middle School

We are pleased to be starting back up our Cullen Middle School Staff Appreciation breakfast! Please sign up [here](#) to bring treats as we say “thank you” to the extraordinary educators at Cullen Middle School. For more information, contact [Madie Weir](#).

Holly Jolly Toy Store

Nov 1–Dec 12 | Forge for Families

The FORGE is having their annual Holly Jolly Toy Store! Come by the FORGE and deliver your gifts OR you can order on [Amazon](#). Volunteers are also needed on Dec 13 to price and arrange the toys. If you would like to sign up or need more information, please email [Beth Lee](#).

First Saturday Serve

Sat | Nov 4 | 9–10:30 AM | Main Street Ministries Garden

Volunteers work in the MSM Community Garden year-round to grow vegetables, fruits, herbs and flowers, which are then harvested and made available to MSM program participants and groups in the community. Please RSVP by emailing [Carrie Sadler](#).

MORE WAYS TO SERVE

UPCOMING EVENTS

Neighborhood Connect

Oct & Nov | Dates & Locations Vary by Zone

[Learn More >](#)

Women of the Word (WoW)

Tue | Oct 31 | 10–11:30 AM | LC 181

[Learn More >](#)

Alpha (Morning)

Thur | Nov 2 | 8–9 AM | Solarium

[Learn More >](#)

High School Ski Trip

Sat–Wed | Dec 30–Jan 3 | Copper Mountain, CO

[Register >](#)

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

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](#)

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