



the weekly  
**Connection**

January 10, 2021

**Church Family**

***Make Your Reservations Now: Wednesday Night Live Kick-off January 13<sup>th</sup>***

WNL will kick off on January 13<sup>th</sup>, with meals being served at 5:15 p.m. and events running from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Please join us on January 13<sup>th</sup> to hear Dr. Green's discussion of the Disciple II series that he will be leading through May. Even if you missed Disciple I, you can still easily fall in line with the DII studies.

Wednesday Night Live dinners are available to all, so be sure to make your reservation. You have the option to dine on-site or use our drive-thru, contactless delivery. The choice is yours and can be indicated when making your reservation on the FPC website. Just click on the Announcements tab and select WNL. If you prefer to register by phone, you can call the FPC office (936-756-8884) to sign up there as well. If you are under the age of 13 or over the age of 75, your meal is FREE during this COVID climate. Otherwise, the cost is \$4/person. Dinner is served from 5:15-6:00 p.m. To-go boxes are available for those wishing to take their meals to their WNL classroom.

***11<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-off January 31<sup>st</sup>***



Mark your calendars! On January 31<sup>st</sup>, our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-off is happening from 5:00-7:00 p.m.! We will be taking extra precautions to ensure the safety and health of our participants and guests. Our Chili Cook-Off teams are gathering their recipes and secret ingredients. You will want to take a few tastes and vote for your favorites. The event is free, but each vote costs \$1.00. We encourage our attendees to "vote early and vote often!" Drinks, cornbread, and dessert will be provided, along with LIVE MUSIC, so wear your boots cuz dancing is encouraged.



Your support is greatly appreciated and will help make our annual youth mission trip more affordable. The link to register is <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/11th-annual-chili-cook-off-tickets-135737814457>.

***Financial Report***  
(2020 Year-End)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenue	\$751,840	\$744,310
Expenses	\$751,835	\$718,660

***Visitors Welcome to FPC***

First Presbyterian Church of Conroe welcomes you. If you are interested in learning more about our church, or wish to become active in our ministry teams and activities, please visit our website at [fpcconroe.org](http://fpcconroe.org) or email us at [yrose@fpcconroe.org](mailto:yrose@fpcconroe.org). We appreciate you joining us for services today, whether online or in person.

## Family Movie Night January 16<sup>th</sup>



Don't forget to mark your calendars now for Family Movie Night on January 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. As always, we will watch the movie outdoors, in the FPC parking lot. This month's movie is "Air Bud: Golden Receiver". Refreshments will be provided at no charge. Oh, and no worries about the weather being too cold. If it is cold out, you can watch from the comfort of your car by tuning in to 88.1.

### ***Making a Difference***

First Presbyterian Church of Conroe was one of 17 churches recognized in the Arrow Child & Family Ministries (parent organization for Freedom Place) 2020 Annual Report for cash and in-kind donations and program support. The work that our church does for Freedom Place is very important to the residents. These girls have been rescued from sex trafficking and are in a Christian-based, in-depth recovery and residence program to help them turn their lives from tragic to terrific. Several of these girls also participate regularly in church activities with our Youth. PW Circles, the Sewing Ministry, and other individuals from our church support Freedom Place with gifts of donated money and items needed by the girls.

A new effort was launched in late 2020 to provide dinners once a month to Freedom Place residents and staff. Several individuals are participating in this effort. PW Circles, the Sewing Ministry, and other individuals from our church also support Freedom Place with gifts of donated money and items needed by the girls. If you are interested in finding out more about this ministry or to offer help, please contact Sally DeStefano at (936) 217-1333.

## Prayer List

**Members:** The family of Muffy Crowl, Dick Schack, Kim Phillip, Flem Keathley, Carolyn Hebert, Paul Ivison, Leona Cowie, Lorraine Bosse, Gary and Judy Weinberger, Don and Doris Myers, Margaret Carson, Jeanene Wendt, Fay Harrison, Clyde Cruikshank, Virginia Tamborello, Ben Hughes, Jeanette DeFee, Polly Miller, Pat Smith, Jeanne Leverette, Virginia Olivier, Evelyn Kenward, Tom Braaten

**Members' Relatives & Friends:** Matt F. (Elms), Russell W., Karen R. (Weinberger), Wendy S. (Adamson), Harry S., Jr. (Havens), Anna H. (Harshbarger), Russell W. (Weinburger), Tim J. (Staff), Jeffrey H. (Heasley), Krissy P. & family (Kasmiersky), Freddy G. (Taylor), Judy N. (Dukes), Zakary V. (Haines), Sherry M. (Garrison), Craig S. and Elaine N. (Swoboda), Diane B., Pat S.'s family, Lindsey W., Ruby G., Beverly F. (S. Walker), Enrique E. (Moore), Ann (Ebanks), Paul M. (Alan Moore), Lee H. and Gene H. (Helms), Deborah R. (Rose), Caleb & Michaela W. (Henderson), Lisa & her children (Webb), Gerald H. (Roberts), Tamara B. (Harrison), Leslie M. family and Martha K. (Juhl), Janis H. and Katie B. (Pohla), Tucker H. (Hudson), Nikkia (Wilmerly), Virginia R. (Smith), Dana K. (Shorts)

## Good Things to Know

### ***Attendance***

Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>

10:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Service - 50

10:00 a.m. Online Worship Service - 136

Total Attendance - 186

### ***Today's Worship Leader***

Polly Miller

### ***Today's Flowers***

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by Chuck and Janet Pohla, in celebration of their 12<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

## Calendar of Weekly Events

### Sunday, January 10

**9:00 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood:** A Bible study based on the Christmas Classic, "It's a Wonderful Life" (Library)  
(Zoom Meeting ID: 267 960 141) (Password: 330714) <https://zoom.us/j/267960141> (or call +1 346 248 7799, 267960141#)

**10:00 a.m. Worship Service** (Facebook Live [www.facebook.com/fpcConroe](http://www.facebook.com/fpcConroe))

**11:00 a.m. Exploring Our Faith** – Studying "A History of God: The 4,000-Year Quest of Judaism, Christianity and Islam", by Karen Armstrong. (Currently by Zoom; contact [sbuckley429@comcast.net](mailto:sbuckley429@comcast.net) for a link)

**11:30 a.m. Dr. Green Sunday School Class** (Dr. Green's office and Zoom Meeting ID: 864 9751 9299) (Passcode: 77304)

**11:15 a.m. Sunday Intermediate Bible Study** (Rm. 702 and Zoom Meeting ID: 844 0076 6393, Passcode: 77304)

### Monday, January 11

**1:00 p.m. Monday Afternoon Bible Study** (Zoom Meeting - ID available from Marty Taylor)

### Wednesday, January 13

**9:30 a.m. FPC Staff Meeting** (Zoom Meeting ID available by invitation)

**5:00 p.m. WNL Meal** (FLC)

**5:45 p.m. Handbells Practice** (Sanctuary)

**6:00-8:00 p.m. Disciple Bible Study** (Rm. 105 and Zoom Meeting ID: 879 2931 2569. Password: 77304)

**6:00 p.m. The Spark Youth Event** (FLC Gym)

**7:00-8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice** (Sanctuary)

### Sunday, January 17

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(Zoom Meeting ID: 267 960 141) (Password: 330714) <https://zoom.us/j/267960141> (or call +1 346 248 7799, 267960141#)

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please visit the website at [fpcconroe.org](http://fpcconroe.org), or contact the group leader.***

## Save the Date

### *Future Planning*

January 13 - Wednesday Night Live Meal and Activities Begin

January 16 - Family Movie Night

January 17 - New Sunday School Class Begins

January 30 - Youth Lock-in

January 31 - Chili Cook-off

February 7-14 - Family Promise

## Ministry Leaders

### Ministry Team Leaders

<i>Administration:</i>	Jay Swoboda (2020, Chair), Todd Harrell (2021), David Perciful (2022)
<i>Building &amp; Grounds:</i>	Warren Taylor (2020), Stephan Tibbetts (2022)
<i>Care-Prayer:</i>	Donald Yates (2020)
<i>Discipleship:</i>	Hailey Simon (2020), Kyle Williams (2020), Mark Sowden (2021), Anne Spinks (2021), Mike Garrison (2022)
<i>Fellowship:</i>	Shirley Dukes (2021)
<i>Membership:</i>	Gabby Alvarez (2020), Donna Stewart (2021)
<i>Missions:</i>	Tom Young (2021)
<i>Trustee:</i>	Keith Stewart (2020)
<i>Worship:</i>	Karen Clark (2021)

## Staff and Church Information

### First Presbyterian Church

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### Staff

Rev. Dr. David H. Green, Senior Pastor  
Dena Sowden, Director of Christian Education  
Brandon Folts, Director of Music  
Stephanie Cooke, Pianist  
Shirley Dukes, Parish Nurse  
Sharon VanSchuyver, Church Administrator  
Yvonne Rose, Office Assistant

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