



WELCOME

glad to have you here

the weekly
Connection

April 26, 2020

Church Family

1 Day More = 1 Day Less!

Texas Governor Greg Abbott has issued an Executive Order with his plan for re-opening our businesses. This Order includes the mandate that Texas schools remain closed through the end of this academic year.

This is not the news we hoped to receive. Our Presbyterian Day School (PDS) teachers and others are deeply disappointed that this school year ended at Spring Break. We are blessed to have a devoted PDS staff. They are deeply and sincerely committed to the well-being and success of each child. I am grateful for them. And I am grateful to them.

All of us should take time to grieve what has been lost. I pray we all have the grace and the courage to acknowledge our loss and to allow ourselves the time and space to grieve. But the time is approaching for us to move forward.

Today we are experiencing one more day dealing with the pandemic. And we are one day closer to its end. We are one day closer to returning to the Sanctuary for worship. One day closer to being together for Sunday School and Bible Studies (with, of course, appropriate social distancing).

Across Texas, the timeline for reopening will vary from place-to-place. It is not possible to know today when we will be able to re-open the church's facilities here in Montgomery County. But it is now time for us to begin preparing for that great day.

This past week I asked the church's Program and Administrative Staff to begin considering new practices and procedures that will be needed to operate safely in a post-pandemic environment. Over the next several days, this conversation will be expanded to include the church's leadership teams (that's our Session and Committee Chairs), and the PDS Staff. This conversation will take time and will include many people.

When the day comes for us to re-open the sanctuary and worship together, we will be ready. When the day comes that Sunday School classes and Bible studies can meet in person, we will be ready. When the day comes that we can share a meal together, we will be ready. Until then, please continue to meet in our on-line venues for varying activities and events. Please continue to worship with us via Facebook Live. And, perhaps most importantly, please continue to look after one another. The people of this church family are a true and tremendous gift from God.

Until then, as the old song goes, "May God be with you 'till we meet again."

Sincerely,

Dr. David H. Green, Senior Pastor

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 fpconroe.org or email us as yrose@fpconroe.org. We appreciate your joining us for online services today, and hope you will visit in person when we are able to gather together again.

Good Things to Know

Online Attendance

Sunday, April 19th

9:00 a.m. Worship Service - 190

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - 66

Total Easter Attendance - 256

Today's Worship Leader

Mark Sowden

Save the Date

Future Planning

May 7 - National Day of Prayer

May 10 - Mother's Day/Confirmation Sunday

May 24-31 - Family Promise (Tentative)

May 25 - Memorial Day

June 21 - Father's Day

Prayer List

Members: Flem Keathley, Gary and Judy Weinburger, Don and Doris Myers, Margaret Carson, Jeannene Wendt, Peaches Grams, Jo & David Miller, Fay Harrison, Lorraine Bosse, David Gotschall, Jean Heasley, Sarah Gutekunst, Clyde Cruikshank, Joanne Tralmer, Virginia Tamborello, Frances Mitchell, Ben Hughes, Jeanette DeFee, Polly Miller, Pat Smith, Jeanne Leverette, Virginia Olivier, Jane LaMaster, Evelyn Kenward, Tom Braaten, Philip Williamson

Members' Relatives & Friends: Zakary V. (Haines), Sherry M. (Garrison), Barbara Y., Craig S. and Alan B. (Swoboda), the family of Pam M., Diane B., Pat S.'s family, Lindsey W., Ruby G., Beverly F. (S. Walker), Enrique E. (Moore), Stephen R. (Heasley), Ann (Ebanks), Paul M. (Alan Moore), Cy S. (Taylor), Lee H. and Gene H. (Helms), Deborah R. (Rose), Caleb & Michaela W. (Henderson), Megan M. (Havens), Lisa & her children (Webb), Gerald H. (Roberts), Tamara B. (Harrison), (S. Walker), Leslie M. family and Martha K. (Juhl), Janis H. and Katie B. (Pohla), Tucker H. (Hudson), Nikkia (Wilmberly), Virginia R. (Smith), Dana K. (Shorts)

Calendar of Weekly Events

Sunday, April 26

- 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe)
10:00 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 267 960 141)
(Password: 330714) <https://zoom.us/j/267960141> (or call +13462487799,, 267960141#)
3:00 p.m. Sunday Intermediate Bible Study (Zoom Room Meeting ID 825-6585-8919)
6:00 p.m. Sunday Night Youth Bible Study (Zoom Room Meeting ID 861-4152-3860)

Monday, April 27

- 11:00 a.m. PDS Staff Meeting (Zoom online every other week; meeting ID is available by invitation)
1:00 p.m. Monday Afternoon Bible Study (Marty Taylor; Zoom Room Meeting ID available by invitation)

Tuesday, April 28

- 7:30-9:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 844 897 863)
<https://zoom.us/j/844897863> (or call +13462487799,,844897863#)
11:00 a.m. PDS Children's Chapel (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe)

Wednesday, April 29

- 9:30 a.m. FPC Staff Meeting (Zoom Room Meeting ID available by invitation)
11:00 a.m. PDS Children's Praise and Worship (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe)
2:00 p.m. Handbell Meeting (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 237 364 240)
<https://zoom.us/j/237364240> (or call +13462487799,,237364240#)
3:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Meeting (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 332 284 801)
<https://zoom.us/j/332284801> (or call +13462487799,,332284801#)
6:00 p.m. Jesus and Java Sunday School Class (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 463-586-770)
<https://zoom.us/j/463586770> (or call +13462487799,, 463586770#)
6:30 p.m. The Spark Youth Event (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 525-257-3330)

Thursday, April 30

- 11:00 a.m. PDS Children's Chapel (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe)
6:30 p.m. Youth Confirmation Class 2020 (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 864-039-702)
<https://zoom.us/j/864039703> (or call +13462487799,, 864039702#)

Sunday, May 3

- 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe)
10:00 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 267 960 141)
(Password: 330714) <https://zoom.us/j/267960141> (or call +13462487799,, 267960141#)

***If you have any questions about the calendar of events,
please visit the website fpcconroe.org, or contact the group leader.***

Ministry Team Leaders

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<i>Administration:</i>	Jay Swoboda (2020, Chair), Todd Harrell (2021), David Perciful (2022)
<i>Building & 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), Rusty Smith (2022)
<i>Trustee:</i>	Keith Stewart (2020)
<i>Worship:</i>	Karen Clark (2021)

Staff and Church Information

Staff

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

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