



Welcome

*the weekly*  
Connection

May 3, 2020

## Church Family

### **1 Day More = 1 Day Less!** **(Updated April 28, 2020)**

On Monday, April 27, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued a new Executive Order with the revised plan for re-opening our businesses. Gov. Abbott included churches in the first tier of businesses allowed to re-open. However, before opening our doors, we are required to follow guidelines from the Texas Department of State Health Services. You can find these rules online (<https://www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/docs/opentx/ChurchesPlacesofWorship.pdf>).

People are asking me *when* we will re-open the church's facilities. Please be patient. I cannot yet say *when* because we are committed to opening safely.

Preparations for re-opening are already in the works. Our cleaning crew has disinfected throughout the building. They are now working to steam-clean every tile surface in the church, a process that will be finished for another week or two. Other work has already been scheduled to be completed later this month.

More than that, committees and teams are working to determine the best practices and processes that will keep us as safe as possible. Some of our committees have already contacted me with their thoughts and ideas. Even though their school year ended early, our Presbyterian Day School (PDS) staff and teachers are directing attention and energy towards plans to re-open. They are working to develop the very best practices. This work is a blessing to us all.

Having said that, please remember that the first and most important guideline is for each one of us to continue the practices that protect us and others. Please continue to wash your hands often, wear a face covering, and keep distance between you and others. Also, and the importance of this cannot be overstated, please stay home if you are not well.

Today feels like another in a long string of days dealing with the pandemic. But we really 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. All of this will happen with appropriate (and legally required) social distancing.

Our timeline for re-opening is fluid. Please be patient. We are working towards re-opening. 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, most importantly, please continue to look after one another. The people of this church family really are a true and tremendous gift from God.

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](http://fpconroe.org) or email us as [yrose@fpconroe.org](mailto: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 26<sup>th</sup>

9:00 a.m. Worship Service - 184

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - 60

Total Easter Attendance - 244

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

Mark Sowden

## **Save the Date**

### ***Future Planning***

May 7 - National Day of Prayer

May 10 - Mother's Day

May 24 - Confirmation Sunday

May 24-31 - Family Promise

May 25 - Memorial Day

May 31 - Pentecost

June 20 - Summer officially begins

June 21 - Father's Day/Sr. Recognition

## **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:** Ralph B. (Crowl), 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 (Wilmington), Virginia R. (Smith), Dana K. (Shorts)

## Calendar of Weekly Events

### **Sunday, May 3**

- 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services (Facebook Live [www.facebook.com/fpcConroe](http://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#)  
12:30 p.m. Administration Committee Meeting - Zoom information available upon request from Jay Swoboda.  
12:30 p.m. Discipleship Committee Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2116609958?pwd=ZURhbmNaQmRycWVzWm92dldkcEVpUT09>  
(Zoom Room Meeting ID: 211 660 9958) (or call +1 346 248 7799)  
3:00 p.m. Sunday Intermediate Bible Study (Zoom Room Meeting ID 825-6585-8919)  
6:30 p.m. Sunday Night Youth Bible Study (Zoom Room Meeting ID 861-4152-3860)

### **Monday, May 4**

- 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, May 5**

- 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#)  
9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Rebecca Circle (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 892 2740 7289) <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89227407289?pwd=KzZiaTVYWlpqWFJvTUQ3TzgzYkpndz09> (or call +13462487799,,89227407289#,,1#,77304#)  
11:00 a.m. PDS Children's Chapel (Facebook Live [www.facebook.com/fpcConroe](http://www.facebook.com/fpcConroe))

### **Wednesday, May 6**

- 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](http://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, May 7**

- 11:00 a.m. PDS Children's Chapel (Facebook Live [www.facebook.com/fpcConroe](http://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 10**

- 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services (Facebook Live [www.facebook.com/fpcConroe](http://www.facebook.com/fpcConroe))  
10:00 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 267 960 141)  
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***If you have any questions about the calendar of events,  
please visit the website [fpcconroe.org](http://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 &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), 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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