



the weekly
Connection

September 27, 2020

Church Family

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 at yrose@fpconroe.org. We appreciate you joining us for services today, whether online or in person.

Wednesday Night Live Kickoff and Blood Drive September 30



On September 30th, we will kick off our Fall WNL program with Bible studies and fellowship, but not before having a wonderful meal of shepherd's pie that will be served at 5:30 p.m.

With the current distancing requirements, we will not only provide a meal on campus, but will also conduct a contactless drive-thru option. As always, meals are free for children under the age of 12 and adults over the age of 75. For everyone else, we ask the usual \$4 per meal and that you come with the correct change to simplify the process. If you would prefer to pay online, please go to www.fpconroe.org, select the Give page and indicate that you are paying for your WNL meals. **So that we have an idea of how many we should plan to serve, please sign up online or through the church office at (936) 756-8884.**

We will also be hosting our first MD Anderson Blood Drive. If you choose to participate, please make an appointment using the information shown here or through the link provided on our website. Donors will receive refreshments and a donor shirt from MD Anderson. This opportunity is open to the whole community, so be sure and tell your friends about this awesome way to help those in need.

Blood Drive

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
MD Anderson
~~Cancer~~ Center
Blood Bank

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
2727 N. LOOP 336 W, CONROE, TEXAS 77304



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH

2:30 PM – 6:30 PM

DONOR COACH - IN PARKING LOT OF CHURCH

Appointment Required

Please schedule your appointment @ [WeGive](https://www.giveonred.org)

GENERAL DONOR REQUIREMENTS: PHOTO ID REQUIRED

- Be in good general health & feeling well
- Be at least 17 years old
- Weigh at least 110 lbs.
- Not be pregnant

EAT A HEARTY MEAL before donating

Appreciation item, snacks and refreshments provided to all donors!

Making Cancer History[®]

Picture ID Required • 713-792-7777 • www.mdanderson.org/bloodbank

Meeting of the Congregation October 17

There will be a meeting of the congregation on October 17th at 7:00 p.m. As you may have noticed, this coincides with our Family Movie Night. We hope you will plan to make it for both events.

Family Movie Night October 17

Don't forget to mark your calendars for Family Movie Night on October 17th at 7:00 p.m. We need as many people as possible from the congregation there, even if you don't stay for the whole movie. We'll be showing "It's the Great Pumpkin Charlie Brown" and serving hot dogs and popcorn. An RSVP would be helpful to let us know how many we will be preparing food for, so please call the church office or contact Dena Sowden at dsowden@fpcconroe.org.

Pumpkin Patch Help Needed October 17-31

If you are able to help during the Pumpkin Patch with unloading the truck, supplying wheelbarrows or wagons for use during the sales days, or helping during the days we're open for sales, we need you. Helping on sales days will consist mostly of assisting visitors in navigating the Patch and just being a representative of FPC. The weekends will undoubtedly be the busiest and will require more help. We're hoping to have hay rides, refreshments, photo ops, games and s'mores. Please contact Shirley Dukes to assist with refreshments. If you would like to participate in the Pumpkin Patch, please contact Dena Sowden at DSowden@fpcconroe.org or (979) 255-2096.

Exploring Our Faith

Exploring Our Faith group begins a new book, *Accidental Saints: Finding God in all the Wrong People*, by Nadia Bolz-Weber, on September 27th. Contact Susan Buckley (sbuckley429@comcast.net) to request access to the Zoom meeting, which is held on Sundays at 11:00 a.m.

Thank You from the Swoboda Family

We would like to thank the congregation, the Lydia Circle and the Prayer Team for their love and concern during my mother's illness and death. We are grateful to be part of this church. - *Kristie Swoboda and family*

Seafarers' Boxes

Seafarers' boxes will be packed Wednesday, November 4th at a private home in lieu of the on-site church facility. Number of participants may be limited as space permits (15-20). Please contact Susan Buckley at sbuckley429@comcast.net for details and to help with planning.

Financial Report

(2020 YTD as of 8/31/20)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenue	\$501,225	\$506,025
Expenses	\$501,225	\$479,160

Good Things to Know

Attendance

Sunday, August 20th

10:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Service - 39

10:00 a.m. Online Worship Service - 148

Total Attendance - 187

Today's Worship Leader

Jay Swoboda

Prayer List

Members: Leona Cowie, Leslie Graham, Sally DeStefano, Joan Lowery, Sam and Elizabeth Ebanks, Lorraine Bosse, Flem Keathley, Gary and Judy Weinburger, Don and Doris Myers, Margaret Carson, Jeannene Wendt, Peaches Grams, Fay Harrison, Sarah Gutekunst, Clyde Cruikshank, Joanne Tralmer, Virginia Tamborello, Ben Hughes, Jeanette DeFee, Polly Miller, Pat Smith, Jeanne Leverette, Virginia Olivier, Jane LaMaster, Evelyn Kenward, Tom Braaten

Members' Relatives & Friends: Kelly 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), Megan M. (Havens), 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)

Calendar of Weekly Events

Sunday, September 27

- 9:00 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood (Zoom Room 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)
- 11:00 a.m. Exploring Our Faith Sunday School Class (Zoom Room Meeting)
- 11:15 a.m. Dr. Green Sunday School Class (Zoom Room Meeting ID: 839 3626 6040) (Passcode: 77304)
- 11:15 a.m. Sunday Intermediate Bible Study (Zoom Room Meeting)

Monday, September 28

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

Tuesday, September 29

- 7:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study
Zoom Room Meeting ID: 844 897 863 <https://zoom.us/j/844897863> (Password: 77304)
(or call +1 346 248 7799, 844897863#)

Wednesday, September 30

- 9:30 a.m. FPC Staff Meeting (Zoom Room Meeting ID available by invitation)
- 5:45-6:45 p.m. Handbells Practice (Sanctuary)
- 6:00 p.m. Disciple II Class (Zoom Class: for information, contact michstandefer@me.com or mca@consolidated.net)
- 6:00 p.m. The Spark Youth Event (FLC Gym)
- 7:00-8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

Sunday, October 4

- 9:00 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 at fpcconroe.org, or contact the group leader.***

Save the Date

Future Planning

September 30 - WNL Kickoff/Blood Drive

October 17 - Meeting of the Congregation/Family Movie Night

October 17-31 Pumpkin Patch

October 23-25 Youth Getaway Retreat

October 31 - Trunk or Treat

Ministry Leaders

Ministry Team Leaders

<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)
<i>Trustee:</i>	Keith Stewart (2020)
<i>Worship:</i>	Karen Clark (2021)



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