

Upcoming Events

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



If you have photos or events you would like to see featured in The Link, please submit them to sharonv@fpccconroe.org.



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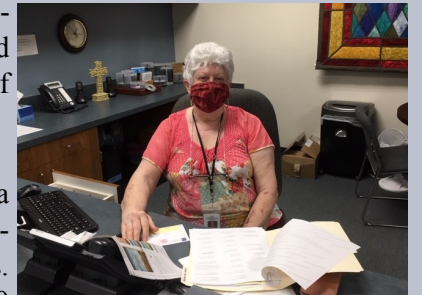
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Your monthly newsletter from First Presbyterian Church of Conroe

May 2020

FPC Sewing Ministry Face Mask Project

The FPC Sewing Ministry has been busy making and distributing non-medical facemasks for our FPC family, and extended families, to meet the requirements and needs of the Covid-19 virus guidelines.



Suzie Reese, Linda Harshbarger, Liz Kessler, Martha Haines, Cherry Perciful, Estella Wilson and Sally DeStefano have been producing the masks for the past few weeks. Since Dr. Green announced their availability, nearly 100



masks have been distributed to church members as well as to Freedom Place, one of our Mission outreaches that serves young women rescued out of sex trafficking.

The Ministry has been giving freely of their time and talents, continuing in their graciousness of doing God's work. If you would like to obtain a mask(s), please contact Suzie Reese (936)756-7309 or Shirley Dukes (936) 760-8655. Arrangements will be made for delivery.

(Article and photo submitted by Shirley Dukes)

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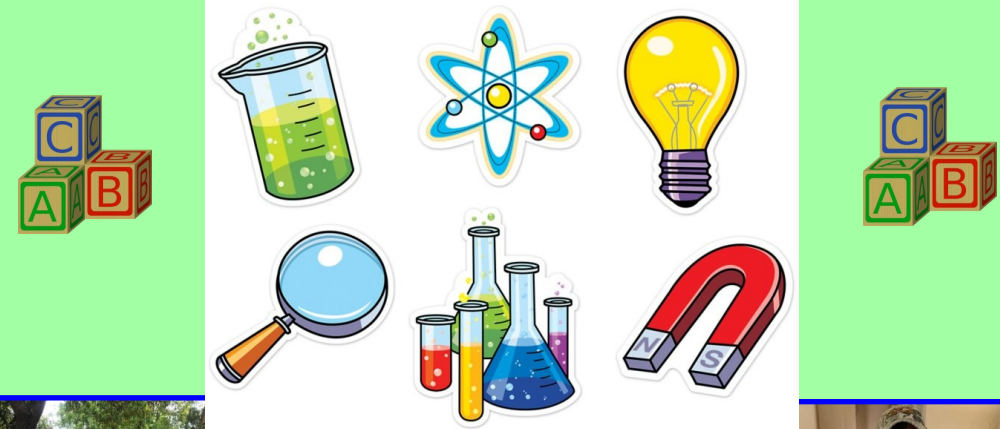
Easter Sunday: Behind the Scenes

Our musicians were able to “wow” with both their vocals and their adding brass to the Easter music. Many thanks to all who made the day so special.



(Photos submitted by
Dr. David Green)

Presbyterian Day School Annual (Virtual) Science Fair



What a fun time for our children!

Thank you, Dr. Green, for taking part
in this special event!

We have some amazing scientists
at PDS!



(Article and photos submitted by Janet Klem)

*A Message from Dr. Green:
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 not 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

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Madison Gray is the daughter of Debra and George Baca and the late Ronnie Gray. She is a 2020 graduate from Conroe High School. Madison plans to earn a Bachelor's in Music Education at Stephen F. Austin State University and is currently in the choir and band at Conroe High.

Madison started out in choir at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic church in The Woodlands and has carried on her love for choir throughout all her years in school. Starting in the 5th grade, she picked up a French horn and immediately knew that was the instrument she wanted to play. Madison has been in Varsity choir and Cantare (the traveling choir at Conroe HS) for all four years and in the Varsity band for 3 years. She has been a drum major for the past two years in the Conroe Tiger marching band.

Madison has been singing at Sacred Heart Catholic Church for the past 3 years and this year she has been interning at First Presbyterian Church of Conroe. Madison was confirmed at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in May of 2019, where she leads worship at the Life Teen masses and the monthly Ascend Worship nights.



Know You (th)

**If my people, which are called
by my name, shall humble
themselves, and pray, and
seek my face, and turn from
their wicked ways; then will
I hear from heaven, and will
forgive their sin, and will heal
their land.**

2 Chronicles 7:14 (KJV)

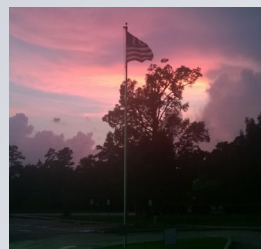


FPC Church Programming

You do not need to have a Facebook account to watch these videos.

Sundays:

- 9:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship Service**
Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/fpcConroe)
- 10:00 AM Fellowship Sunday School** (Cara Wood)
Zoom Room Meeting ID: 267 960 141
(Password: 330714) <https://zoom.us/j/267960141>
(or call +13462487799,, 267960141#)
- 11:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship Service**
Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/fpcConroe)
- 3:00 PM Intermediate Grade Sunday School** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82565858919>
- 6:30 PM Youth Sunday School** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86141523860>



Mondays:

- 11:00 AM PDS Staff Meeting** (Every Other Week)
Zoom Room Meeting ID is available by invitation
- 1:00 PM Monday Afternoon Bible Study** (Marty Taylor)
Zoom Room Meeting ID available by invitation



Tuesdays:

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

Wednesdays:

- 9:30 AM FPC Staff Meeting**
Zoom Room Meeting ID is available by invitation
- 11:00 AM PDS Children's Praise & Worship**
Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/fpcConroe)
- 2:00 PM Handbell Choir**
Zoom Room Meeting ID: 237 364 240
<https://zoom.us/j/237364240> (or call +13462487799,,237364240#)
- 3:00 PM Chancel Choir**
Zoom Room Meeting ID: 332 284 801
<https://zoom.us/j/332284801> (or call +13462487799,,332284801#)
- 6:00 PM Jesus & Java Sunday School** (Yvette Smith)
Zoom Room Meeting ID: 463-586-770
<https://zoom.us/j/463586770> (or call +13462487799,, 463586770#)
- 6:30 PM The Spark** (Youth Event)
Zoom Room Meeting ID: 525-257-3330
<https://zoom.us/j/755543531> (or call +13462487799,, 755543531#)



Thursdays:

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

Fridays & Saturdays: FPC Offices Closed