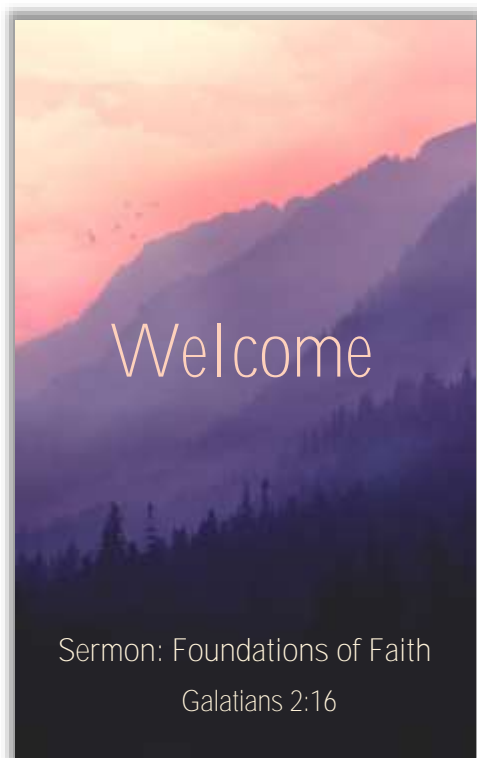


First Presbyterian Church

January 2, 2022



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Communion Sunday

8:30 A.M. COMMUNION AND PRAYER

Preparation

Prelude

Watchman, Tell Us of the Night

Mansfield

Adoration

Call to Worship

*Hymn #142

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

1. All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!
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3. Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all!
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And crown Him Lord of all!
4. O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all!
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And crown Him Lord of all!

Confession

*Call to Confession

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

Proclamation

Scripture Reading

Galatians 2:15-21

Remarks

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

Foundations of Faith

“... yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.” (Galatians 2:16)

Dedication

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of the People

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of thanksgiving

*Hymn #308

O Sing a Song of Bethlehem

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And of the news that came to them from angels in the air:
The light that shone on Bethlehem fills all the world today;
Of Jesus' birth and peace on earth the angels sing always.
3. O sing a song of Gallilee, of lake and woods and hill,
Of Him who walked upon the sea and bade the waves be still:
For though, like waves on Galilee, dark seas of trouble roll,
When faith has heard the Master's word, falls peace upon the soul.

Charge and Benediction

Blessing

Dengler

*Postlude

Praise the Lord, Who Reigns Above

Ritter

*Please stand if able.

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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 and fill out the Visitor form online, or on page 17 of this bulletin. We appreciate you joining us for services today, whether online or in person.

WELCOME

11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Preparation

Opening Music

Adoration

Introit

Safely Through Another Year

Folts

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Almighty God: in love you spread good gifts before us, more than we need or deserve. We confess that we always want more and that we never share as freely as you give. Forgive our stubborn greed, and our destructiveness. In mercy, help us enjoy your goodness and to thank you through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

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*Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

In Sanctuary

Martin

*Doxology

***Prayer of Dedication and the Lord's Prayer**

*Choral Response

Proclamation

Scripture Reading

Galatians 2:15-21

Sermon

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

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This Week's Scripture Readings

Scripture Reading:

Galatians 2:15-21

¹⁵ We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶ yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

¹⁷ But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸ For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. ¹⁹ For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. ²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹ I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

Notes



Financial Report
(2021 YTD as of 11/30/21)

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenue	\$644,875	\$619,195
Expenses	\$680,125	\$665,910

Stewardship Campaign for 2022

To fellow members of FPC-C:

I would like to update you on the status of our current Stewardship Campaign for the 2022 Budget. As of 12/22/21, we have received 88 pledges (13 of which are new pledges) for a total amount of \$503,033.18 or an average of \$5,716.29 per pledge. This is about 84% of the total pledge income needed to balance the 2022 Operating Budget. To date, there are still 22 pledging units (~\$86,700 in potential revenue) who made a commitment for the 2021 budget but have not, as of today, responded to the 2022 budget campaign. Those that have already made a commitment have done so generously, as witnessed by the average dollars per pledge. However, if we are to have any hope of balancing our 2022 Budget, we need the financial support of all of our members. I would encourage those who have not responded to prayerfully consider continuing your financial support of the church. If you intend to pledge, please submit your pledge as soon as possible so that we may finalize our 2022 Budget. I continue to pray (and hope that you do also) for the welfare and programs of our church.

-Fred Kate; Stewardship/Finance Coordinator

Please keep in mind that Covid is still quite active in our community. We ask that if you feel "less than" that you please refrain from going out into public places. There is a very real possibility that you could be contagious. We thank you for your consideration of others.

Looking Ahead

As was outlined in *The Link* (December issue), we are losing two very valuable members of our FPC staff in the new year. Jane Corbit and Jackye Cannon will officially wrap up their Accounting responsibilities, after a decade of service to the church, and begin their very well-deserved retirement.

As they depart, they will be passing along the Accounting baton to Sharon VanSchuyver. Sharon, who has been our Church Administrator for 7-1/2 years now, will be taking on this role in 2022. Along with taking on the Accounting, Sharon has also had an increased and evolving role in beefing up our Communications efforts over the past few years. With these additional responsibilities, Sharon will be assuming the role of *Director of Communications and Finance* as of January 1.

With Sharon stepping into this expanded role, we realize the office will need additional coverage. Therefore, our tried and true Office Assistant, Yvonne Rose, will be stepping into the role of *Office Manager*. Yvonne will increase her weekly work schedule in the office, and will be overseeing the office, as well as building activity. Yvonne has been a great asset to the church, and we look forward to having her management expanded as she takes on these additional responsibilities.

A couple of reminders:

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| Office Hours | 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday |
| The Connection | Please submit material for <i>The Connection</i> (weekly) each Monday prior to the Sunday you would like to have it printed in the bulletin. |
| The Link | Please submit material for The Link (monthly newsletter) by the 22 nd of each month in order to have it published in the following month's newsletter. |

Announcements can be submitted on an announcement form, which can be found on page 16 of this bulletin, or simply email your information to sharonv@fpcConroe.org.

Prayer List

Members: Soren Rose, Roy Kessler, Mary Hudson, Jean Ball, George Shackelford, Margaret Hill, Kim Phillip, Flem Keathley, Carolyn Hebert, Paul Ivison, Lorraine Bosse, Don and Doris Myers, Margaret Carson, Fay Harrison, Clyde Cruikshank, Virginia Tamborello, Ben Hughes, Jeanette DeFee, Polly Miller, Jeanne Leverette, Virginia Olivier, Tom Braaten

Members' Relatives & Friends: Jack W. and Jenny C. (Cannon), William W. (Weinburger), Freddy G. (Taylor), Lynda H. and Amy D. (Ebanks), Sherry B. (Harrison), Mitchell B. (Blott), Maria H. (Hughes), Kellye H. and Jeffrey H. (Heasley), Sabra S. (Swoboda), Deborah R. (Rose), Jack S. and Jay, Katie B. (Pohla), Wendy S. (Adamson), Harry S., Jr. (Havens), Tim J. (Staff), Krissy P. & family (Kasmiersky), Judy N. (Dukes), Sherry M. (Garrison), Diane B., Pat S.'s family, Lindsey W., Ruby G., Beverly F. (S. Walker), Enrique E. (Moore), Paul M. (Alan Moore), Lee H. and Gene H. (Helms), Caleb & Michaela W. (Henderson), Lisa & her children (Webb), Gerald H. (Roberts), Tamara B. (Harrison), Leslie M. family and Martha K. (Juhl), Tucker H. (Hudson), Nikkia (Wilmerly), Virginia R. (Smith), Dana K. (Shorts)

Good Things to Know

Attendance

Sunday, December 24th
7:00 p.m. Worship Service - 124
11:00 p.m. Worship Service - 50
Total Attendance - 174

Sunday, December 26th
8:30 a.m. Prayer and Communion - 12
11:00 a.m. Worship Service - 69
Online Worship Attendance - 101
Total Attendance - 182

Today's Worship Leader

Mark Sowden

Today's Flowers

Today's flowers are given for the glory of God by the FPC Choir,
in honor of Alice Helms' 100th birthday.

Calendar of Weekly Events

Sunday <i>January 2</i>	8:30 a.m. Communion and Prayer (Sanctuary) 9:00 a.m. Fellowship (Bistro) 9:30 a.m. Bereans Sunday School Class with Bob Shepherd (Rm. 105): Paul's letter to the Colossians. 9:30 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood: Life Lessons from Romans by Max Lucado. (Zoom Meeting ID: 267 960 141, Password: 330714) https://zoom.us/j/267960141 (or call +1 346 248 7799, 267960141#) 9:30 a.m. Young & U Sunday School Class (young adults and university age students) (Library and Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86497519299? Meeting ID: 864 9751 9299 Passcode: 77304) 9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith (Rm. 206) <i>The Master Plan: My Journey from Life in Prison to a Life of Purpose</i> , by Chris Wilson, together with <i>Restoring Peace: Using Lessons From Prison to Mend Broken Relationships</i> , by Kirk Blackard. 9:30 a.m. Wanderers (Parlor) <i>Christmas from the Backside</i> , by J. Ellsworth Kalas. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Narthex) 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe or YouTube.com/fpcConroe)
Monday <i>January 3</i>	1:30 p.m. Monday Afternoon Bible Study (Youth Commons Area)
Tuesday <i>January 4</i>	7:30 p.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study (Zoom Meeting ID: 844 897 863, Password: 77304))
Wednesday <i>January 5</i>	9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Mission Sewing (Rm. 105) 10:30 a.m. FPC Staff Meeting (Zoom ID available by invitation) 5:45 p.m. Handbells Practice (Sanctuary) 6:00 p.m. The Spark (Gym) Disciple Bible Study (Room 105 and Zoom 879 2931 2569 passcode 77304) WILL RETURN JANUARY 12 7:00-8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

<p>Sunday January 9</p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Communion and Prayer (Sanctuary)</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Fellowship (Bistro)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Bereans Sunday School Class with Bob Shepherd (Rm. 105): Paul's letter to the Colossians.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Fellowship class with Cara Wood: Life Lessons from Romans by Max Lucado. (Zoom Meeting ID: 267 960 141, Password: 330714) https://zoom.us/j/267960141 (or call +1 346 248 7799, 267960141#)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Young & U Sunday School Class (young adults and university age students) (Library and Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86497519299? Meeting ID: 864 9751 9299 Passcode: 77304))</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith (Rm. 206) <i>The Master Plan: My Journey from Life in Prison to a Life of Purpose</i>, by Chris Wilson, together with <i>Restoring Peace: Using Lessons From Prison to Mend Broken Relationships</i>, by Kirk Blackard.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Wanderers (Parlor) <i>Christmas from the Backside</i>, by J. Ellsworth Kalas.</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Narthex)</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe or YouTube.com/fpcConroe)</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Committee Meetings</p>
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Save the Date

January 3	New Year's Day Observed (FPC office closed)
January 12	Wednesday Night Live Returns
January 17	CISD Holiday Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 21	CISD Holiday President's Day

Ministry Leaders

Administration	Jay Swoboda (2022, Chair)
Building & Grounds	Stephan Tibbetts (2022, Chair), David Perciful (2022)
Care-Prayer	Bob Shepherd (2023, Chair)
Discipleship	Anne Spinks (2021, Chair), Mark Sowden (2021)
Fellowship	Shirley Dukes (2021, Chair)
Membership	Donna Stewart (2021, Chair), Anna McNamara (2022), Abby Stewart (2022), Dena Sowden (2023)
Missions	Tom Young (2021)
PDS	Karen Clark (2021), Sharon Walker (2022)
Worship	Chuck and Janet Pohla (2023, Chairs)

ANNOUNCEMENT FORM

Today's Date _____

Date(s) to run announcement _____

Announcement _____

Request to announce in (choose as many as apply):

The Connection
(weekly bulletin)

The Link
(monthly newsletter)

Website

Pulpit

Phone Tree

Outdoor Sign

Please send any supporting photos or documents to
sharonv@fpcConroe.org.

Thank you.

Visitor Form

Thank you for coming! We would love to get to know you.

Please complete this form and drop it in the offertory box at the back of the church. Or, if you would prefer to complete this form online, please visit our website at www.FPCConroe.org.

Member Information

Full Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Spouse's Information

Spouse's First Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Children's Information

Children's Names (Please indicate last name if different):

Full Name: _____ Birth date: _____

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Getting Involved in the Life of the Church

(Please check all that apply)

- I would like more information about membership
- I would like information about baptism
- I would like to be contacted by a Stephen Minister
- Contact me about getting involved in the church

Please contact me regarding:

_____ Adult Sunday School

_____ Bible Studies

_____ Children & Nursery

_____ Men's groups

_____ Women's groups

_____ Greeters

_____ Handbells/Choir

_____ Youth choir

Other:

How did you first hear about us? (Please circle one)

Facebook

Drive by

Website

Friend/Family

Other

Member Information for Church Directory
First Presbyterian Church of Conroe

Please list all information you would like included in the new directory. There is not a limit to phone numbers or email addresses.

Member Information

Full Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Spouse's Information

Spouse's First Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email: _____

Birth date (MM/DD/YYYY): _____

Children's Information

Children's Names (Please indicate last name if different):

Full Name: _____ Birth date: _____

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Staff and Church Information

Staff

Rev. Dr. David H. Green, Senior Pastor
Dena Sowden, Director of Christian Education
Sharon VanSchuyver, Director of Communications and Finance
Stephanie Cooke, Interim Music Director
Shirley Dukes, Parish Nurse
Yvonne Rose, Office Manager



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