

First Presbyterian Church

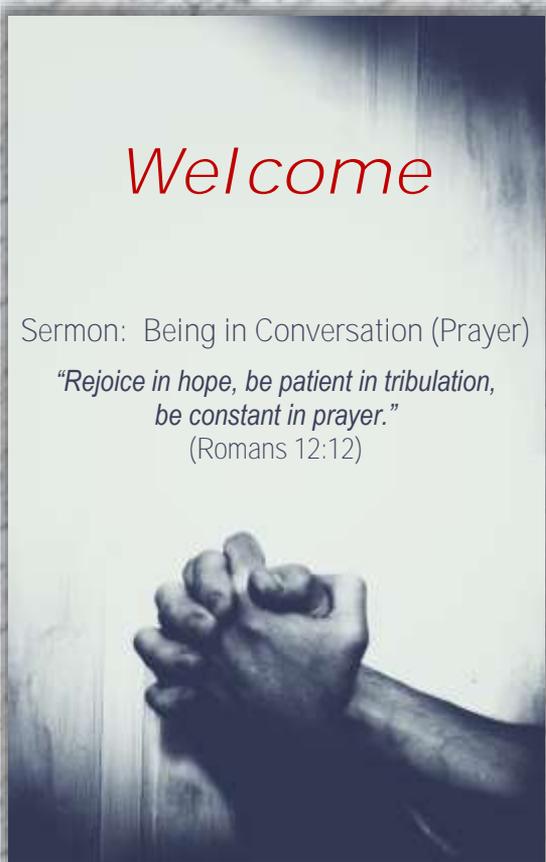
July 31, 2022

Welcome

Sermon: Being in Conversation (Prayer)

*“Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation,
be constant in prayer.”*

(Romans 12:12)



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8:30 A.M. PRAYER AND COMMUNION

Preparation

Prelude

Adagio

Smith

Adoration

Call to Worship

*Hymn #426

Lord Speak to Me, That I May Speak

1. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
In living echoes of Thy tone;
As Thou has sought, so let me seek
Thine erring children lost and lone.
2. O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
The wandering and the wavering feet;
O feed me, Lord, that I may feed
Thy hungering ones with manna sweet.
3. O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things Thou dost impart;
And wing my words, that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.

Confession

*Call to Confession

*Silent Prayer of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon

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

*Gloria Patri

Welcome and Announcements

Proclamation

Scripture Reading

Romans 12:3-13

Remarks

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

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Dedication

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of the People

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn #485

To God Be the Glory

1. To God be the glory, great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
And give Him the glory: great things He hath done!

2. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (Refrain)

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude

Toccata Breve

Broughton

*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 fpconroe.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

Reign In Us

Call to Worship

*Hymn #426

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*Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you call us to be a servant people, but we do not do what you command. We are often silent when we should speak. We fail to help when we could be your blessing to others. Have mercy on us, O God. Forgive us and free us from sin through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Response

Reign In Us

*Postlude

Toccata Breve

Broughton

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This Week's Scripture Readings

Scripture Reading (11:00 a.m. only):

Exodus 14:5-18

⁵ When the king of Egypt was told that the people had fled, the mind of Pharaoh and his servants was changed toward the people, and they said, **“What is this we have done, that we have let Israel go from serving us?”** ⁶ So he made ready his chariot and took his army with him, ⁷ and took six hundred chosen chariots and all the other chariots of Egypt with officers over all of them. ⁸ And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and he pursued the people of Israel while the people of Israel were going out defiantly. ⁹ The Egyptians pursued them, all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and his horsemen and his army, and overtook them encamped at the sea, by Pi-hahiroth, in front of Baal-zephon.

¹⁰ When Pharaoh drew near, the people of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they feared greatly. And the people of Israel cried out to the LORD. ¹¹ They said to **Moses, “Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us in bringing us out of Egypt? ¹² Is not this what we said to you in Egypt: ‘Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians’? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness.”**

¹³ **And Moses said to the people, “Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. ¹⁴ The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to be silent.”**

¹⁵ **The LORD said to Moses, “Why do you cry to me? Tell the people of Israel to go forward. ¹⁶ Lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the people of Israel may go through the sea on dry ground. ¹⁷ And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they shall go in after them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, his chariots, and his horsemen. ¹⁸ And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten glory over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen.”**

³ For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴ For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶ Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷ if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

⁹ Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

Notes



Rally Sunday and Church Potluck Lunch

On Sunday, August 14th, we will have Rally Sunday and a potluck, in the Family Life Center gym, after the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

Entree and drinks will be provided. Please bring your favorite side dishes, fruits, veggies and/or desserts to share. Food can be dropped off in the FLC Kitchen as of 9:00 a.m.

Bring your appetite! Take this opportunity to relax, enjoy the food and fellowship with friends and family. If you have any questions, please contact Audrey Christie at (562) 334-6189.

Nursery Staff Opening

Now hiring Nursery staff member. Please see Dena Sowden for more information (979) 255-2096.

Annual Background Verification

If you have not already done so, please help us complete our annual background verification of all staff members and of all volunteers who work with children. In the past, we have required staff members and volunteers to complete a written authorization form. Beginning this year, this information can be completed online by using the secure link to our service provider, Clear Investigative Advantage Research.

The church uses two levels of background verification. The first is for those whose work requires driving for the church, including the FPC bus. This background verification checks for criminal records in all 50 states and Montgomery County, in addition to Texas driving records. The second level of background information includes the same information, but without driving records.

To volunteer to work with children and youth, please send an email to Dena Sowden (dsowden@fpcConroe.org). She will forward the link that you can use to complete the secure online form.

Prayer List

Members: Alice Helms, Polly Miller, Cindy Watson, Joanne Deaver, Sharon Walker, Karen Baughman, Gary Weinburger, Jean Ball, Roy Kessler, Mary Hudson, George Shackelford, Kim Phillip, Flem Keathley, Carolyn Hebert, Paul Ivison, Lorraine Bosse, Don Myers, Margaret Carson, Fay Harrison, Clyde Cruikshank, Virginia Tamborello, Ben Hughes, Jeanne Leverette, Virginia Oliver, Tom Braaten

Members' Relatives & Friends: Maria H. (Hughes), Eddie S. & Harry S., Jr. (Havens), Randy S. (Spencer), Barbara B. (Das), James M., Patty M., Enrique E. (Moore), Amy S., Jack W. (Cannon), William W. (Weinburger), Lynda H. and Emily T. (Ebanks), Sherry B. (Harrison), Jeffrey H. & Leah H. (Heasley), Deborah R. (Rose), Katie B. (Pohla), Wendy S. (Adamson), Tim J. (Staff), Krissy P. & family (Kasmiersky), Judy N. (Dukes), Sherry M. (Garrison), Lee H. (Helms), Caleb & Michaela W. (Henderson), Lena & her children (Webb), Gerald H. (Roberts), Tamara B. (Harrison), Leslie M. family and Martha K. (Juhl), Tucker H. (Hudson), Nikkia (Wilmlberly), Virginia R. (Smith), Dana K. (Shorts)

Good Things to Know

Attendance

Sunday, July 24th

8:30 a.m. Prayer and Communion - 25

11:00 a.m. Worship Service - 98

Online Worship Attendance - 49

Total Attendance - 172

Today's Worship Leader

Martha Haines

Calendar of Weekly Events

<p><i>Sunday</i> <i>July 31</i></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. Young & U Sunday School Class (young adults and university age students) (Pastor's office and Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86497519299?pwd=cktiTmZ5SEM1SWZpNWRLUWhwS1lxQT09 Meeting ID: 864 9751 9299 Passcode: 77304))</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith (Rm. 206) – Studying <i>Eager To Love: The Alternative Way of Francis of Assisi</i>, by Richard Rohr.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Wanderers (<i>Parlor</i>) <i>Jesus, CEO</i>, by Laurie Beth Jones.</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><i>Monday</i> <i>August 1</i></p>	<p>1:30 p.m. Monday Bible Study (Youth Commons Area)</p>
<p><i>Wednesday</i> <i>August 3</i></p>	<p>9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Mission Sewing (Rm. 105)</p> <p>5:45 p.m. Handbells Practice (Sanctuary)</p> <p>5:45 p.m. The Spark (Gym)</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Small Group Study (Rm. 206)</p> <p>7:00-8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Sanctuary)</p>

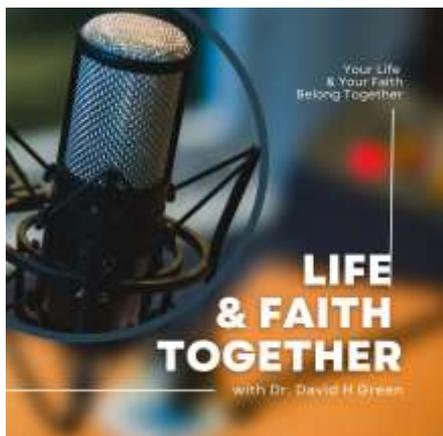
<p><i>Sunday August 7</i></p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Communion and Prayer (Sanctuary) 9:00 a.m. Fellowship (Bistro) 9:30 a.m. Bereans Sunday School Class with Bob Shepherd (Rm. 105): Paul's letter to the Colossians. Young & U Sunday School Class (young adults and university age students) (Pastor's office and Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86497519299?pwd=cktiTmZ5SEM1SWZpNWRLUWhwS1lxQT09 Meeting ID: 864 9751 9299 Passcode: 77304)) 9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith (Rm. 206) – Studying <i>Eager To Love: The Alternative Way of Francis of Assisi</i>, by Richard Rohr. 9:30 a.m. Wanderers (Parlor) <i>Jesus, CEO</i>, by Laurie Beth Jones. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Narthex) 11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Facebook Live www.facebook.com/fpcConroe or YouTube.com/fpcConroe) 12:30 p.m. Committee Meetings</p>
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Save the Date

- August 10 CISD First Day of School
- August 14 Rally Day/Potluck
- August 28-September 3 Family Promise
- September 5 Labor Day - FPC Holiday (Office closed)
- September 6 PDS Back to School

Life and Faith Together:

A New Podcast by David H Green



Life and Faith Together is a new weekly podcast hosted by Dr. Green. Updated on Wednesday mornings, each episode will include a recent sermon or lesson. When Wednesday Night Live returns in the Fall, Dr. Green plans to include bonus content **for a Bible Study on the Lord's Prayer.**

Among the reasons Dr. Green launched this podcast is with the hope that it will create another opportunity for people to connect with our congregation. When asked about this, Dr. Green said, **“One unexpected benefit of the Covid-related events is that we seem to have developed an online congregation. Some of these participants don’t even live in Texas. But they are still connecting with us. I hope the podcast gives us another point of connection.”**

Dr. Green’s podcast is available, free of charge, at *Apple Podcasts* and other online sources. You can also listen at Dr. Green’s website (<https://davidhgreen.com/life-and-faith-together>).

Ministry Leaders

Administration	Jay Swoboda (2022, Chair)
Building & Grounds	Stephan Tibbetts (2022, Chair) David Perciful (2022)
Care-Prayer	Bob Shepherd (2023, Chair)
Discipleship	Mark Sowden (2024, Chair) Jeselyn Graham (2024) Alex Williams (2024)
Fellowship	Audrey Christie (2024, Chair)
Membership	TBD (2022, Chair) Anna McNamara (2022) Abby Stewart (2022) Dena Sowden (2023)
Missions	Bobby Ezell (2024, Chair)
PDS	Sharon Walker (2022, Chair)
Worship	Chuck and Janet Pohla (2023, Chairs)

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.FPCCConroe.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: _____

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

*Thank You
for
Joining Us*



Staff and Church Information

Staff

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



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