



WORSHIP

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE (10/10/21) – We will have two separate worship services at 9 am in the Sanctuary and 11 am in King Hall. Reverend Ken Chivers will be preaching this week, using Micah 4:9-5:1 as his text.

Watch us online through Vimeo (www.vimeo.com/fpcrome) or Facebook (www.facebook.com/fpcrome/videos), these links can also be found on our homepage at www.fpcrome.org.

NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE (10/17/21) – We will have two separate worship services at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary and 11:00 am in King Hall.

REMINDER: WE ARE PROVIDING SEVERAL OPTIONS FOR CORPORATE WORSHIP

Open Worship Venue: For both 9am and 11am Worship services, those seated on the main floor may or may not be wearing masks.

Masked & Distanced Seating Areas within the Worship Venue: For 9am Worship, the balcony in the Sanctuary will be mask only, socially-distanced seating. The back 3 rows in the Sanctuary will be reserved for our members who want to mask and distance but are unable to climb the stairs to the balcony.

For 11am Worship, the track in King Hall will be mask only, socially-distanced seating.

Separate Worship Venue via Live Stream with Masked/Distanced Seating Only: During the 11am Worship Service, the Sanctuary will be available for those wanting masked/distanced seating within one venue. A representative from the Pastoral Leadership Team or Session will be present in this worship venue to maintain our corporate connection.

Live Stream Worship: Although it is no substitute for biblically based corporate worship, live stream is always available for our congregants. If folks feel most comfortable remaining at home during this time, we honor that and provide a means for folks to receive the proclamation and preaching of the Word!

WE WILL CONTINUE TO OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING GATHERING GUIDELINES –

- Each one of us is free to wear a mask out of our desire to take precautions, or because we have vulnerabilities, or we are not vaccinated, or any other reason. Therefore, we will see folks wearing masks and not wearing masks on our campus, in worship, or in Bible studies. Parents will decide whether their children will wear masks or not. Teachers will decide, based on their own comfort level, whether or not to wear masks.
- As we seek to serve you well, we will continue to make masks and hand sanitizer available throughout our campus.
- We will continue to serve only individually packaged snacks and food for any gathering on our campus—large or small.

VISITOR WELCOME – Thank you for worshiping with us today. Whether you are worshiping in-person or viewing our livestream, we want to welcome you into our midst. We would love to have the opportunity to answer any questions you may have about our ministries. Please visit www.fpcrome.org and click on the Connect Form link at the top of the home page. Our Connections team will contact you. We look forward to connecting with you!

THE ROSE IN WORSHIP TODAY is given in honor of Master Isaiah James Evans, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cooper (Erin) Evans, born on October 1, 2021.

PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH – Although we love and appreciate our Pastors throughout the year, October is set aside as a time to more intentionally express our thanks and appreciation. If you feel led, please consider sending a card or note to our Pastors letting them know how the Lord has used them to bless you and your family. As the Apostle Paul reminds us, *“Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work.”* Thessalonians 5:12-13 NIV

WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDIES

Meal 5:15-6:00 PM Program 6:15-7:15 PM

Christianity Explored (Dr. Jonathan Schwartz)
in CLC Fellowship Hall

Life On Mission (Missions Ministry Team)
in CLC 204/205

Gentle and Lowly (Pastor Ken Chivers and Rob Davis)
in CLC Room 203

Elders Discipleship Small Group (Rev. Bill Pardue)
Begins Sept. 29

Choir Practice 6:15-7:30 in Sanctuary

Nursery 8 weeks-1 year in Education Bldg. 1st Floor

Bible Zone 2/3 years in Education Bldg. Room 207

Bible Zone 4 years/Kinder in Education Bldg. Room 206

Grades 1-3 Summit in Education Bldg. God's Garden

Grades 4-5 Girls Small Group in Education Bldg. Room 205

Grades 4-5 Boys Small Group in Education Bldg. Room 202

Grade 6 Communicants in Hardy Classroom

Jr. High 6:00 in The Crossing

Sr. High – Serve in Jr. High, Children's Ministry
or attend Adult Discipleship offerings

OCTOBER 13 – Shane's Rib Shack will cater our meal for adults and children, which will include Pulled Pork Sandwich, Chips and a cookie. Reservations for the MEAL ONLY are required and due no later than 3pm on **Monday, OCTOBER 11**. You may make reservations by email to info@fpcrome.org, call the church office at 706-291-6033 or online at www.fpcrome.org.

Cost: Adults \$7.00 – Students and Children \$3.00 (Family Max \$25.00)

SUNDAY MORNING STUDIES 10:10-10:40 AM

Winsome Witness to the Wonder of Jesus:
Reformed Theology; what it is and why it matters
in CLC Fellowship Hall

The Book of Micah
The Incomparable God:
A Story of Forgiveness and Fidelity
in Education Bldg. Hardy Classroom

2/3 years (Mr. Clay Cooper & Mrs. Julie Grigsby)
in Education Bldg. Room 207

4 years (Mrs. Lynn Beaver & Mr. Jeff and Mrs. Alison
Giddens) in Education Bldg. Room 206

Kindergarten (Mrs. Holly Shadday & Ms. Evie Shadday)
in Education Bldg. Room 205

Grades 1-2 (Mrs. Susie Garrett, Mrs. Ginger Wright,
Mrs. Jennifer Naddy, Mrs. Suzanne Garrett &
Mrs. Gail Burkhalter)
in Education Bldg. Room 204

Grades 3-4 (Mrs. Jane Cavaness, Mrs. Larra Schwartz,
Mrs. Helen Chivers & Mrs. Amy Fulton)
in Education Bldg. Room 201

Grades 5-6 Girls (Mrs. Jennifer Scott & Mrs. Liz Williams)
in Christian Life Center Room 210

Grades 5-6 Boys (Mr. Ross Johnson and
Mr. Jonathan Johnson)
in Christian Life Center Room 209

Jr. & Sr. High in The Crossing

PRAYERFULLY REFLECTING UPON OUR CALL TO GIVE

Over the first three Sundays in October, we will begin prayerfully reflecting upon how we may each offer financial support for First Presbyterian Church and its ministries. Look for a letter and Commitment Card to be arriving in your mail the first week in October. On Sunday, October 17, we will have the opportunity to present our 2022 General Fund Commitment Cards during the worship service.

PIPS

CYCLORAMA ATLANTA – Pips is planning a trip to the Atlanta History Museum to see the Cyclorama Atlanta exhibit on Tuesday October 19. We'll leave the church parking lot at 9 am. You can ride on the church bus or drive to the Museum. You'll need to purchase a ticket for \$18 when we get there and we'll stop for lunch at the world famous OK Cafe on the way home. If you plan to join us please let me know or contact the church office. Please join us for a great trip.

PIPS THURSDAY LUNCH – Our next PIPS Lunch program is scheduled for Thursday, October 28 and will feature our very own Pastor Ken Chivers. Pastor Ken will share his four years of experience with Samaritan's Purse and encourage us to participate in this wonderful program. We'll have a delicious lunch catered by the world famous Duffy's Deli for just \$5 per person. Please join us for great food, fun and fellowship! Call the church office to make your reservation.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

LADIES "ARRANGING HOPE FOR FALL" – NOVEMBER 14 FROM 4:00-6:00 PM – Learn flower arranging skills while focusing on the Hope of Christ. Register online. Deadline for registering is Friday, October 22. Register on line or call Sarah Pope at the church office. Cost \$25 for your take home arrangement. Limited to 40 ladies.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

SENIOR SEMINAR – Each year we want to set aside time to talk specifically about college with our seniors. Where to go to college is a big decision to make and it can be overwhelming and disappointing. Some students may be deciding on whether or not to go to college at all. That decision comes with its own unique stressors and considerations. We want to spend an hour with your graduating students to talk through this phase of life, and answer any questions they may have TODAY (**Sunday, October 3**) from **4:00-5:00 pm** in the Crossing.

JUNIOT HIGH FALL RETREAT – Registration is open on the church website for Fall Retreat for our 7th and 8th grade students! We will be going to Camp Skyline October 29-31. The cost is \$120. If you need financial assistance, please contact one of the Student Ministry's staff.

INFORMATION/LITERATURE RACKS

Please see our information racks for more detailed information from various ministries. The racks are located inside the office entrance of the Education Building and in the atrium of the Christian Life Center, or you may visit www.fpcrome.org.

SERVING AND CARING FOR OTHERS

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – It is that time again when we pack shoe boxes full of items for children around the world in order for them to ultimately be told about the love of Jesus Christ. Please pick up a box from the tables outside the sanctuary and the King Hall and plan to bring it back on November 21. If you would prefer a box be packed for you, please drop a \$25 check into the offering with OCC on the memo line. Please contact Pastor Ken (kenc@fpcrome.org) with any questions.

PRAYER REQUESTS – If you would like to be kept informed of the church's prayer needs, email Tracy at tracyd@fpcrome.org to receive updated prayer requests. If you would like to submit a Prayer Request for you or someone you know that is in need, you may do so on our website at <http://www.fpcrome.org/resources/personal-prayer-requests/>. *Do you know someone who is a non-believer? The Evangelism Ministry Team would love to pray for them. You may email your specific requests to Pastor Jonathan Schwartz at jonathans@fpcrome.org.*

MAST FAMILY MEAL TRAIN – The Missions Ministry Team would like to invite you to support and encourage our missionary family by providing meals. As we seek to love the Mast family well during this challenging season of their lives, a meal train has been created. To participate, the link is <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/q67m5l>.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN – Dear FPC folks, our church will be hosting the Community Kitchen this week, October 11-October 15. In order for us to serve our community partner more efficiently, we will be seeking volunteers earlier each month. Please contact the church office to determine which days volunteers are needed. Thank you for your continued dedication and service to this worthy cause!