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Ministry Updates

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WORSHIP

TODAY'S SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES (5/1/22) – We will have two separate worship services today at 9am in the Sanctuary and 11am in King Hall. Reverend Bill Pardue will be preaching this week, using Hebrews 9:1-14 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. Our worship services are also broadcast weekly at 11am on WLAQ FM 96.9 and AM 1410. Sermons may also be accessed on our website at www.fpcrome.org.

NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES (5/8/22) – We will have two separate worship services at 9am in the Sanctuary and 11am in King Hall.

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!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS – Please be sure to extend a special welcome to our newest members who joined the church on April 24: Mrs. Ellen Freeman, Mrs. Jane Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Jim and Pam Brumbelow, and Mr. and Mrs. Gary and Jan Cassidy.

THE ROSE IN WORSHIP TODAY is given in honor of Miss Jane Campbell Edwards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter (Hunter) Edwards, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Frances) Edwards, born on April 19, 2022.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY are given to the glory of God and in memory of Mrs. Nancy H. Johnson by her family.

GATHERING GUIDELINES – As always, we will continue to evaluate our current context related to COVID concerns. During the 9am worship service in the Sanctuary, the balcony will be seating for those preferring a bit of physical distancing. During the 11am worship service, the track seating will be reserved for those preferring a bit of physical distancing. Masks are optional in all services and all locations.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

VBS REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! – VBS is June 27-29 from 9am-Noon each day. We can't wait to share the news of Jesus with these kids! This year's theme is: MONUMENTAL – Celebrating God's Goodness! Be sure to register at www.fpcrome.org/vbs. And, we still need volunteers! If you've signed up to volunteer or would like to volunteer, please complete the appropriate forms found on the website listed above. If you have any questions or would like to get involved, please contact one of this year's directors: Molly Jordan (mjordan@darlingtonschool.org) or Natalie Stegall (natalie.h.stegall@gmail.com). Thank you!

CAMP 456 REGISTRATION IS OPEN online and hard copies for CAMP 456 registration packet are now open! Please go to www.fpcrome.org or the church office for your registration packet! Don't let cost be in the way, contact Mrs. Andrea for scholarship and other questions about CAMP!

STUDENT MINISTRY

SENIOR BANQUET – Our annual Senior Banquet will be Wednesday, May 4 from 5:30-7:30pm in King Hall! See Jordan Orr for details.

SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY will be Sunday, May 8. In addition to the recognition in the 11am service, there will be a special breakfast for our graduates from 10-10:45am in the Study Hall hosted by Men's and Women's Ministries!

ROME AREA PRAYER BREAKFAST

THE 2022 ROME AREA PRAYER BREAKFAST will be held at the Coosa Valley Fair Grounds on the National Day of Prayer, May 5 at 7-8:30am with doors opening at 6:30am for seating and breakfast. The speakers are Will Ford and Matt Lockett. Their narrative exposes systemic injustice and offers new insights into our nation's past, present and future. Complimentary tickets are available at Bert Brooks Tire, Chicken Salad Chick, Duffy's Deli, Haven Health Clinic, Lumina Coffee Co., River City Antiques, River City Bank, Seven Hills Salon, Sweet Frog, Truett's Chick-fil-A, Whistle Bitches, and Winslette Pharmacy. Also, the church office has a limited amount of tickets. Come join our Rome community for prayer and inspiration.

SERVING AND CARING FOR OTHERS

COMMUNITY KITCHEN – Dear FPC folks, our church will once again be hosting the Community Kitchen the week of May 9 – 13. In order for us to serve our community partner more efficiently, we will now begin seeking volunteers earlier each month. Our goal is to have all volunteer slots filled by Friday, May 6 to send to the coordinator at the Community Kitchen. Volunteers are needed either from 8:30am – 10am for meal preparation OR 10am – 12pm to serve to-go plates to our community friends. Please note: individuals may sign up for more than one time slot or more than one day. A volunteer sign-up link can be found on our homepage or simply contact the church office. Thank you for your continued dedication and service to this worthy cause!



MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES – The Bible teaches us that all Christians were “created in Christ Jesus for good works” (Ephesians 2:10). Our church has created a Serve Profile that helps you discover how God has gifted you for His service and shows you potential areas of service in the church and community. This Serve Profile does not automatically sign you up to serve anywhere! It opens the door for a ministry leader to contact you and discuss ways you may feel

called to serve FPC and our surrounding community, when opportunities are presented. If you have not yet completed the Serve Profile, we ask that you please do so. It is accessible from all mobile devices and will take about 7 minutes to complete. Scan the QR code (via camera or scanner app) or visit fpcrome.org/serve and click on the SERVE PROFILE button. If you prefer a paper copy, you may contact the church office at 706-291-6033. You may also find details about each of FPC's ministry teams in the information racks in the atrium outside of King Hall and at the entrance to the church office.

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.*

BE GENEROUS

We are now fully and successfully underway with our FPC “Be Generous” campaign, with the goal of sharing the generous love of Christ through your generous contributions given to bless the 10 incredible community organizations currently supported by FPC. (Please note: if making a contribution by check, remember to make the check out to FPC with “Be Generous” on the memo. These funds will then be prayerfully allocated by the Community Ministries Team directly to these community organizations according to their needs.) For more information about these organizations, please see the flyer in your bulletin this morning, and please be sure to pick up a copy of the Be Generous brochure as you leave church today. Today, during the service, you will see another short video, this time highlighting Good Neighbor Ministries and the Community Kitchen. We hope this will further inspire and encourage all of us to greater levels of support and participation.

-Your FPC Community Ministries Team

MEN'S MINISTRY

AXE THROWING EVENT - Men, join us at Rome Axe Throwing on Wednesday, May 11 at 5:30 pm. Food will be provided. The address for the event is 110 E. 8th Avenue Rome GA 30161. You may sign up for the event at <https://min.link/75d>.

ROME BRAVES - We also have reserved a block of tickets for a discounted price for the Rome Braves game on Thursday, June 9 at 7pm. Please contact Katie Aspin at the Rome Braves (706.378.5104) to reserve your tickets.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

HABAKKUK BIBLE STUDY led by Virginia Saunders and Katey Temple will be held on Tuesdays at 10am in Fellowship Hall for 6 weeks beginning June 7 (skipping VBS week). Nursery is provided for children 8 weeks to 4 years old.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY led by Bethany Johnson - Date and Time to be announced.

THANK YOU to our Spring 2022 Women's Bible Study leaders and Women's Council members who completed their terms: Louise Hunt, Amanda Davidson, Joan Brock, Amy Davis, Mandy Williams, Phyllis Pemerton, Stacey Pardue, Kattera Cochran, Anita Smith, Barbara Allen, Virginia Saunders, Katey Temple, Mary Holcomb, Bethany Johnson, Jill Graham, Jenny Bojo, Frances Edwards, Adlynn Keith, Susi Manning, and Cece Wallis.

SUNDAY MORNING STUDIES THROUGH MAY

10:10-10:45 AM

The Task of the Church

What does the church do?

(Joshua Jones, Eddie Johnston, Pastor Jonathan Schwartz)

in CLC Room 203

The Search for Significance

What are the obstacles to significance we were made to enjoy and experience?

(Brant Evans, Matt Claytor, Harris York, Rob Davis)

in CLC Fellowship Hall

A Deep Dive Into Reformed Theology

A focus on the Sovereignty of God

(Dave Abernathy, Tommy Atha, Tony Pemerton, Pastor Ken Chivers)

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. Jonathan Johnson & Mr. Teo Osben)

in Christian Life Center Room 209

Jr. & Sr. High *in The Crossing*

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FAMILY GATHERINGS WILL RETURN IN THE FALL