

Announcements

Welcome. We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Connect Card in our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at *fpcbr. org/connect*.

Prayer Requests. We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be emailed (*prayer@fpcbr.org*), sent through Facebook Live or by using the church app.

Contemplative Prayer Hour Tomorrow. Monday at 10 am, Katie and Ryan Forsthoff will lead a quiet hour featuring guided silent prayer based on the reading of Scripture, as well as a brief reflection on the Sunday sermon. This prayer hour takes place every other Monday. All are welcome. More information at *fpcbr.org*.

Darin To Be Ordained! You are cordially invited to attend the ordination and installation of Darin Travis as Associate Pastor for Discipleship, Men's Ministry and Young Adults. Sunday, January 31 during the 11 am worship service.

Couples' Workshop, February 5 & 6. Baton Rouge Christian Counseling Center is offering a couples' workshop Friday, February 5 and Saturday, February 6 at The Chapel on Siegen. Please visit *brchristiancounseling.com* for more information.

Men's Ministry Skeet Shoot and Gumbo Competition, February 6. Join us Saturday, February 6 for our second annual FPC Skeet Shoot and Cooking Competition. This year's location is on a beautiful 6,000 acre working sugar cane plantation in Morganza, LA. Prizes will be awarded for shooting and cooking abilities. \$25 per person. Further details and registration online at *fpcbr.org*. Rain date is Saturday, February 13.

Annual Meeting, February 7 at 10.15 am. We'll hear great testimonies from youth, review our city ministries, hear a budget presentation and elect nominating committee members. This meeting takes the place of adult Sunday school.

Foto Sisters to Lead Worship February 14. The talented sisters we love so much will lead 9 am and 11 am worship on Sunday, February 14. It is always a pleasure to hear them share Christ through song.

MDO and Preschool Registration for the 2021-2022 School Year. Registration opens for our church members tomorrow, January 25. Contact Whitney Weiner at *mdo@fpcbr.org* or 620.0245 for more information.

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Join In! Sunday School provides great opportunity for connection and growth in Christ in 2021! Topics include Romans, the Pauline epistles and getting the most out of your personal Bible study using inductive studying principles. Visit the Connection Center for details.

SIAC Seminary Grants. The Session Income Allocation Committee is accepting applications from February 15 to March 15 for financial grants for individuals interested in pursuing full time Christian ministry. Please contact Jaci if you have questions (*jaci@fpcbr.org* or 620.0221).

In Christ Alone: Daily Emails During Lent. Get ready for 40 days of focus on where true, vivid life can be found: in Christ alone. In addition to the printed book each of us will receive, you may sign up for the daily lesson by email. Text INCHRISTALONE to 42828 to register or visit *fpcbr.org*.

Need a Pastor After Hours? Please call the church office (387.0617) and press 5 to be connected to the pastor on call.

Twice a Week: Hurricane Relief Day Trips. Whitney Alexander leads a group of relief workers each Wednesday and Saturday. Everyone is welcome. Meet him in the church parking lot at 6.30 am. Bring work gloves! Also, relief items continue to be collected in the gym. Immediately needed items: contractor bags, buckets and cleaning supplies (Fabuloso and bleach).

Why Do We Mask? At First, we insist on masks at our gatherings. Is it inconvenient? Yes! Is their effectiveness debatable? Yes! But . . . 1) It's the law, 2) We respect the medical minds in our own congregation and 3) *We love one another.* We have members who are at risk, fellow worshipers who, for safety concerns, would not come if we wore no masks. Scripture (1 Cor. 8) clearly calls on those who have more freedom to inconvenience themselves for those who have less. So, please, wear a mask inside and do it for love's sake.

Sanctuary Flowers: The flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones. If you would like to donate flowers for a particular Sunday, please contact Kathy Mullins at 603.4735.

Scripture for Next Week: Luke 5: 17-26

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EARLY DAYS WITH JESUS

ORDER of WORSHIP

January 24, AD 2021 9 am



Assisting Pastor: Barry Phillips

*Welcome and Call to Worship

From Psalm 98: 1-6

Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to his chosen people.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody!

With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

*Songs of Praise

"Your Love Awakens Me"
"This Is Amazing Grace"

*Blessing God

*Song of Praise

"King of Kings"

Ordination and Installation of Officers



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

*Greeting and Announcements

Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children's Church. Please place your offering in the baskets as you exit worship today.

Time with God's Word

Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Luke 5: 12-16

While he was in one of the cities, there came a man full of leprosy. And when he saw Jesus, he fell on his face and begged him, "Lord, if you will, you can make me clean." And Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, "I will; be clean." And immediately the leprosy left him. And he charged him to tell no one, but "go and show yourself to the priest, and make an offering for your cleansing, as Moses commanded, for a proof to them." But now even more the report about him went abroad, and great crowds gathered to hear him and to be healed of their infirmities. But he would withdraw to desolate places and pray.

How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!

Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Psalm 119: 103, 105).

Sermon

Gerrit Dawson "I Am Willing"



RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Time of Reflection

*Song of Response

"Goodness of God"

Moment of Appreciation for Harold Mims



BENEDICTION

*Song of Response

"Faithfulness"

*Response

Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!