

March 11, 2018

8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Worship Services

Assemble in God's Name

Organ Voluntary: *Prelude in Classic Style* Gordon Young
Chad Martin, organ

Welcome & Announcements (Please sign and pass the friendship pad.)

Prelude: *Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal* Gilbert Martin
Chad Martin, organ

Introit: *Sing Praise to the Lord* Psalm 149/William Croft
Sanctuary Choir

*Sing praise to the Lord; come, sing a new song. Amid all His saints His praises prolong.
Let Israel be glad in their Maker and sing; Let all Zion's people rejoice in their King.*

*For this is God's word: His saints shall not fail,
but over the earth their power shall prevail.*

*All kingdoms and nations shall yield to their sword – Thus God shows His glory.
Sing praise to the Lord!*

Prayer of Invocation & Silent Invitation

***Response:** *Lord, Jesus Think On Me* (No. 417) Synesius of Cyrene
Varied from *Daman's Psalter* (1579)

Lord Je - sus, think on me, And purge a - way my sin; From
earth - born pas - sions set me free, And make me pure with - in.

***Hymn:** *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* No. 610

Time with the Children (11:00 a.m.) Cibebe Santos; Director of Children's Ministry
Children of the Heavenly Father Berg/Swedish Melody

1. Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly in His bo - som gath - er;
2. God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His ho - ly courts they flour - ish.
Nest - ling bird nor star in heav - en Such a re - fuge e'er was giv - en.
From all e - vil things He spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.

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After *Time with the Children*, children are invited to Children's Church.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (in unison):

Merciful God,
we confess that we can become distracted,
even weary, in our discipleship.
We keep busy schedules; we rush about.
We do not always remain alert to your divine presence
in our lives, in the church, in the world.
Awaken us to your surprising power and glory and peace,
so we do not miss how near you are.
Be gracious toward us, we pray,
until we are gathered, from the ends of earth
to the ends of heaven.
We pray in the name of Christ,
who was, and is, and is to come.

Silent Confession

Response: *Lord Have Mercy* George Oldroyd

Lord have mer - cy, mer - cy; Christ have mer - cy,
mer - cy; Lord have mer - cy, mer - cy.

Good News

***Doxology** No. 606

Proclaim God's Word

Anthem: *I Will Arise* Traditional
arr. by Alice Parker and Robert Shaw
Sanctuary Choir

*I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms,
In the arms of my dear Saviour, Oh! there are ten thousand charms.*

*Teach me some melodious sonnet Sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, Mount of Thy redeeming love.*

*Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy praise,
Streams of mercy never ceasing, Call for song of loudest praise.*

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Scripture: Luke 10:18 Page 902
And Jesus said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven."

Sermon: "The Sacred Story: Who Knew?" Rev. Joel M. Wood

***Hymn:** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* No. 475

Give Thanks to God

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory: *Amazing Grace* Josep Martin
Chad Martin, piano

***Response:** *Bless the Lord* (No. 544) Jacques Berthier

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.
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***Prayer of Dedication**

Go In God's Name

*Hymn: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* No. 275

***Charge & Benediction**

***Benediction Response: Share His Love** William J. Reynolds

Share His love by tell-ing what the Lord has done for you, Share His love by shar-ing of your faith, And show the world that Je-sus Christ is real to you ev-'ry mo-ment, ev-'ry day.

Postlude: Fanfare Jacques Lemmens

Chad Martin, organ

*congregation standing, as able



FPC Worship Schedule

- 8:30 a.m. traditional worship in the sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. contemporary worship in Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 a.m. traditional worship in the sanctuary

Join us for joyful worship on March 18.
 Dr. Doug Fletcher preaching
 "the Sacred Story: The Atonement"
 Matthew 27: 32-61

Members and visitors are invited for coffee and a time of fellowship in the Gathering Space following each worship service.

LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Loving nursery care available in the nursery

For pastoral care needs, Pastor Lisa Schrott may be reached on her cell phone at 318-286-3816.

Life of the Church

The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of their parents by Kathy and John James. The memorial rose is in honor of Patty Penwell who entered the Church Triumphant on February 7, 2018.

Participating Elder: We welcome Elder Henry Brown who is assisting in worship this morning.

Love Letters: Look for new "love letters" in the Gathering Space this Sunday morning extending blessings from our membership to others who are in need of support.

A Space of Prayer & Meditation: The South Room has been transformed into a dedicated prayer and meditation room for use during normal church business hours. Please visit and stay for a while!

Meditation Group: A meditation group continues to meet on Thursdays thru March 15 at 4:00-5:30 p.m. in James Chapel. We will provide instruction, discussion, inspiration and experience for those who want to explore the practice of meditation. Led by Mel Witmer and Pastor Lisa Schrott. Join them!

Lenten Devotional: Created by Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and reflecting on the various lectionary texts of the Lenten season. A devotion will be emailed, as well as posted on our Facebook account, on a daily/weekly basis. A printed copy will also be available at the welcome center, in Fellowship Hall and the church office.

Easter Eggstravaganze Volunteers! Volunteers are needed for the children's Easter Eggstravaganze on March 24 at 10:00-12:00 p.m. Please sign up at their ministry table in the Gathering Space following worship.

New Member Class: The next new member class will be held on April 21 at 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the library. Lunch will be served. Please call Jean Tharin in the church office for your reservation.

Bluffton Women: Looking to meet more women from FPC off-island? A group is forming in Bluffton which is gathering for fellowship and lunch on March 16. If interested, please call Jennifer Alexander at 770-354-1191.



Book 'n a Buck: An FPC mission in support of schools in the counties west of I-95 in the "Corridor of Hope." Needed are new or gently-used books to be distributed to students who are involved in special reading and/or writing programs, as well as to the school libraries and to take home to share. Your books may be brought to the bins in the church office during the month of March. This initiative is also supported monetarily through the FPC annual budget.



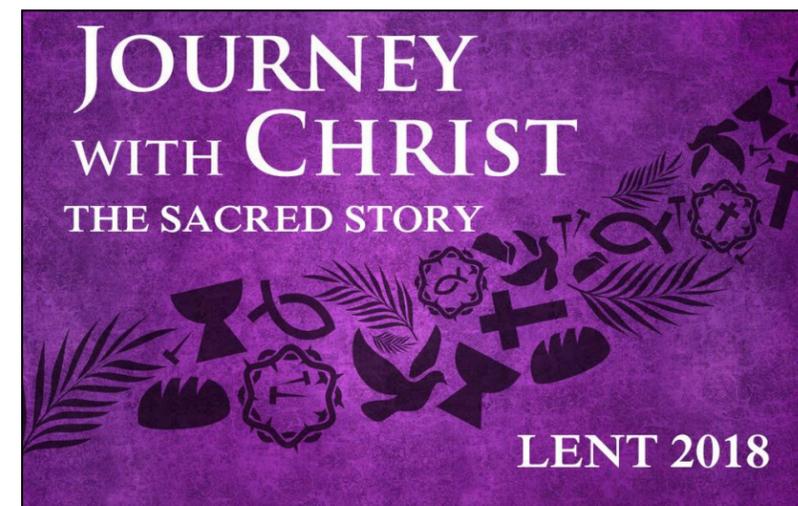
We hope you will visit the Bowden Collection, the newly installed art exhibit, that celebrates the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The exhibit offers the viewer an opportunity to celebrate the remarkable treasure that God has given humanity – the gift of the Bible. Martin Luther's groundbreaking translation has made it possible for Christians over the last 500 years to read the Bible in the vernacular. The flood of translations into other languages that followed has changed the direction of the church and influenced countless lives. The exhibit is located in the South wing hallway, narthex and the Fellowship Hall hallway.

Sarah Circle Spring Luncheon

Sarah Circle invites the women of the church and friends to a Spring luncheon on March 20 at 11:30 a.m. in the Gathering Space. The program will be "Bad Girls of the Bible"; lunch will be catered by Munchies. Cost is \$18/person. Your invitation has been mailed; please complete the registration form, and return it to the church office with your check. (Additional registration forms may be found at the welcome center and in the church office.)



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Dr. Douglas K. Fletcher ~ Pastor
 Rev. Joel M. Wood ~ Associate Pastor of Discipleship
 Rev. Lisa M. Schrott ~ Associate Pastor of Pastoral Care
 Dr. S. Russell Floyd, III ~ Minister of Music
 Chad Martin ~ Organist

540 William Hilton Parkway, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928
 843 681-3696 ~ www.fpchhi.org

Sundays For Children



Nursery

Loving and guided nursery care is offered for babies up to 2 years of age from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Day School/children's wing.

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. Deep Blue Sunday School

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Please sign your kids in their respective classrooms, and meet their teachers.

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Work in Progress: You are invited to join the Work-In-Progress class in Honey Horn Chapel for fellowship and a discussion of current events in relation to scripture and Christian beliefs.

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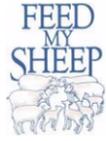
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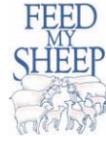
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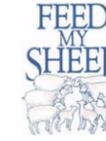
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Reservations to the church office at 843-681-3696 by 5:00 p.m. each **Monday**

Catered by Roy's Place Café & Catering

- 4:00 p.m. Early-bird studies with Pastor Lisa Schrott: "The Seven Pillars of Creation: The Bible, Science & the Ecology of Wonder" in Room 202 thru March 14;
Pastor Joel Wood: New Testament study in the library thru May 2.
- 5:30 p.m. *New Voices* for senior high youth and adults in the Choir Room
- 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner

Primetime ~6:30 p.m.
in the sanctuary



March 14: U. S. Naval Academy Glee Club
in concert in the sanctuary
There is no charge; the community is welcome!



March 21: "Seeds & Weeds" ~ Luke 8:1-15

Jesus taught his disciples using parables about common elements and situations of their lives

where the ordinary was transformed into the sacred,
and we get glimpses of how we can bring God's kingdom
to earth. The service will include music, scripture,
a meditation on the scripture
and an interactive prayer station.

For Children

4:00 p.m.: Nursery care for birth through age 3 in the Day School/children's wing



Kids for Christ (We're On Wednesdays!)
for pre-school & kindergarten & grades 1-5
at 3:10-5:30 p.m.

Family Fellowship Dinner in the Gathering Space at 5:30 p.m.
See above for details on reservations & cost.



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“The Sacred Story: Who Knew?”
Luke 10:18

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