

Happyland 2016 Registration and Summer Camp Registration

Spaces are available for ages PK2-Kindergarten for the 2016-17 school year and Summer Camp. Each week of camp has a different fun theme and exciting activity that highlights the week. A few of the activities planned are a visit from the petting zoo, magician, puppet show, and an indoor planetarium. Call 954-463-6051 to schedule a tour to find out what makes Happyland the right choice for your child or e-mail Corey Thiel, Principal at CoreyT@firstpres.cc.

First Pres Women's Annual Spring Luncheon

Friday, May 13, 11:30 am at Lauderdale Yacht Club (Valet Parking Available) Fashions by *Hello Gorgeous!* • Guest Speaker/Book Signing *Ignite the Dreamer Within* by Mary Kay Wagner • Raffle and more... Cost is \$35 (checks payable to FPC). RSVP by May 5 to Laura Ziegler at 954-598-9312 or LauraZ@firstpres.cc. Join in our mission of giving back and bring a gift card to benefit Women in Distress (any type is greatly appreciated.)

Wednesday evening Adult Christian Education:

Divorce Care / 6:30 pm / Spanish Room / Facilitated by Tricia and Ronnie Young
Listening for God / 6:30 pm / Study & Renewal Center Conference Room / Facilitated by Kathy Craven
The Women & Men of the Old Testament / 6:30 pm / Neumann Center Library, Room NC-202 / Facilitated by Mary Helen Merchant

Sunday morning Adult Christian Education:

Discipleship Essentials / 9:30 am / Chapel-in-the-Sky, Room NC-301 / Facilitated by Herb Clark and Paige Brody
The Women & Men of the Old Testament / 11 am / Neumann Center Library, Room NC-202 / Facilitated by Mary Helen Merchant



NOTES

The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale

is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by:

- Leading people to Jesus Christ.
- Learning about our faith.
- Living a Christ-centered life.
- Loving our neighbor through ministries of service and compassion.



9:30 AM
CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

March 20, 2016
Palm Sunday

Welcome to worship at First Pres. We are happy to have you with us this morning. It is completely appropriate to dress casually for this service, if you wish. The nursery is available for children 3 and younger, if you choose, but we would also love to have your children worship with us.

Welcome

* Worship

Announcements and Offertory

Rev. Dr. Christopher J. Benek

Scripture

Luke 19: 28-44

Please feel free to follow today's scripture reading on your mobile device. To access WiFi go to fp_guest. The password is fpcguest. Logins are case sensitive.

Message

"Who is Jesus to Us?"

Rev. Dr. Russell H. Ritchel, Jr.

* Worship

* Benediction

*please stand if you are able

Online giving is available by going to www.firstpres.cc, clicking the tab labeled GIVE, and following the prompts.

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Russell H. Ritchel, Jr.
Worship Team: Albert Leonardis, Ashley Lindsay, Nic Merchant, Steve Smithberg, Shannon Stokes, Geoffrey Sturman, Ronnie Young
Projection Imagery: Amy Merchant
Audio and Video Production: Evan Barber and Zebedee Productions

This week's music

"You'll Come" — Hillsong
"How Great Thou Art" — Citizens and Saints
"This I Believe" — Shand and Shane
"You Make Me Brave" — Bethel
"None But Thee" — Young Oceans

Listen to the songs from worship during the week

Listen to music from worship on Spotify. Download the free app, sign in with your Facebook account, search for Nic Merchant, and then follow his playlists. *If you do not sign in with a Facebook account, then type "spotify:user:12144083752" and hit search.

WELCOME GUESTS!

- Thank you for joining us in worship in our newly renovated Fellowship Hall. Please join us for a time of fellowship after worship!
- First Presbyterian is also the home of Happyland Day School, a quality preschool for over sixty years. For more info, call 954-463-6051.
- Our Sunday School Schedule is as follows:
9:30 am – Children's Sunday School (Neumann Center)
PreK4-5th Grade (Room NC 224)
PreK3 (Room NC 132)
Middle School, Grades 6-8 (Meet in the Fellowship Hall and then walk to Hoch Youth Center after the first worship songs are completed. Ayla Kohler, our Youth Ministry Assistant, will escort our Youth.)
11 am – Children's Chapel (Watts Chapel)

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:

Frances Stahl – Holy Cross Hospital

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Palm Sunday Concert TONIGHT at 7:30 pm

Featuring the Cathedral Choir and members of the Symphony of the Americas. The first half of the program is music for Lent and Holy Week, and the second half is a collection of Spirituals composed by John Rutter for choir and orchestra, featuring Ashley Lindsay, soloist. There is no admission charge, but a \$10 per person donation is suggested. Come, and invite your friends to hear a great evening of music!

I Give Because _____ (fill in the blank)



Commit Today

"The church is so important in my life." - D.O.
"Without our gifts it would be hard to do God's work" - A.A
It's Never Too Late to Make Your Faith Promise

Ballroom Dancing with Bob and Mikki Crosby is in full swing!

Monday evenings through May 9 in Fellowship Hall.
6:30 pm Intermediate / 7:30 pm Beginners (No experience necessary!)
Contact Mona Petersen at 954-598-9345 / MonaP@firstpres.cc.

NO Wednesday Night Live! on Wednesday, March 23

Please plan to walk the Labyrinth in Fellowship Hall any time from 2pm to 6pm.

NO AAC on Thursday, March 24

Please come join us for our Maundy Thursday dramatization of the Lord's Supper in the Sanctuary at 7:30pm.

Christian Women Connect! Women's Bible Study on Thursday, March 24

Join us for an in-depth study of the cross with Max Lucado, *He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart*. This week: *I Can Turn Your Tragedy into Triumph ~ God's Promise in the Burial Clothing* facilitated by Mary Kay Wagner. Fellowship at 9:45 am, Study 10 -11 am, Reflection & Discussion 11-11:30 am, held in the Study and Renewal Center. We still have a few Participant Workbooks available for \$15. For more information, contact Laura Ziegler at 954-598-9312 or LauraZ@firstpres.cc.

The Session of First Presbyterian Church has called a Congregational Meeting

for Sunday, April 3, 2016 beginning immediately at the conclusion of the 11am worship service in the Sanctuary for the purpose of approving the recommended revised Bylaws. All active full members in good standing of First Presbyterian Church, Fort Lauderdale, are eligible to be heard and vote in a congregational meeting.

Attention College Students and High School Seniors:

The 2016-2017 Scholarship applications are now available on the Youth Ministry page of the church website. If you need assistance, please email Barbara Hollowell, Scholarship Chair, at bfhollowell@aol.com. **The deadline for completed applications is 5 pm on March 31.**

Work Boots for the Homeless Lenten Project

We will be running a church bus on Sunday April 10 and April 17 at 5pm to go over and attend the Fifth Avenue Church service. Afterward we will get to see the boot program and shared meal in action. Sign up list will be after the 9:30am and 11am services today. For more information contact: Gail Auguston-Koppen at 503-804-4844 / g.auguston@att.net or Bev Johnson at 410-570-0420 / loganbjr@yahoo.com.

Don't miss the All Church Easter Egg Hunt "Eggstravaganza" on Saturday!

Saturday, March 26, 12pm-2pm in Colee Hammock Park
Crafts • Face painting • Fun Activities • Train • 3-1 Sports Throw for older kids • Come hungry! Hot Dog "Hoppy Meals" will be available! MOPS is also having a yummy bake sale! Don't forget your Easter basket and camera because the Bunny will be hopping by....

Kirk Singer Tour 2016 to England and Scotland, June 11-20

The Kirk Singers are very excited about seeing these beautiful countries, touring historical sights, and singing in cathedrals. They appreciate your support all year at each of our fundraisers. You can help sponsor any of the tour events, any donation is appreciated. Contact Michael Sayers at MichaelS@firstpres.cc. Thank you for your support!

Marriage Retreat with Jackie Kendall

Saturday, April 9, 5pm to 9pm in Fellowship Hall
Fall in love all over again! Cost is \$30 pp or \$50 per couple and includes dinner and childcare. Tickets are necessary and childcare is available by reservation, contact Cindy Vason at 954-598-9341.

Voice Recital performed by Dennis Ryan, Bass

Sunday afternoon, April 10 at 4pm in our Sanctuary. There is no admission charge, but a free-will offering will be received. Plan to come and invite your friends to hear a great afternoon of singing by Dennis!

Lake Placid Family Retreat • April 22-24, 2016

Don't miss out on this wonderful weekend of worship, fellowship and renewal on beautiful Lake Placid! Everyone is welcome and you do not need to have small children to join us. Accommodations are limited, so reservations are needed. Please contact Cindy Vason at 954-598-9341 for more information or simply fill out the Connect Card.

AAC (Adult Activity Center) April Trip

Wednesday, April 27, 11am to 4:45pm: Wick Theatre, *I Love a Piano*
Join us as we dine in Wick Theatre's beautiful Tavern on the Green Tea Room and then enjoy Irvin Berlin's *I Love a Piano*. *I Love a Piano* follows the journey of a piano as it moves in and out of American lives from the turn of the century to the present. The story comes to life with over 60 of Irving Berlin's most beloved songs.
Note: we will not be doing the costume tour this trip.
Cost: \$89 per person (All tips are included in price)
RSVP to Tricia Young at 954-598-9344 / TriciaY@firstpres.cc.