

555 Fellowship

Thursday June 1 at 5:55 pm at *Flip Flops Dockside Eatery*
Hope you can join us! For more info, contact Cindy Vason: 954-598-9341

Kirk Singer Concert

NEXT Sunday, June 4 at 7pm
Please come and support these dedicated high school students as the Kirk Singers sing together one last time as the class of 2016-17. They will sing some of their favorite anthems from Sunday worship over the past 9 months. The concert is free and all are invited.

First Pres Fish Fry

Wednesday, June 7, 5pm – 6:30pm at the Family Village Courtyard
Join us for a Fish Fry as we kick off Wednesday Summer Dinner Nights!
Menu: Fish Fry with Cole Slaw & Hush Puppies. 12yrs-adult: \$8 / 6yrs-12 yrs: \$4 / Kids under 6: free. Summer fun activities including bubble blowers, sidewalk chalk and face painting. Please contact Mona Petersen to find out how you can volunteer for this event. **RSVP BY JUNE 5:** 954-598-9345 / MonaP@firstpres.cc.

Christian Women Connect Bible Study will not meet this week.

Join us the following week on Thursday, June 8 at 10am in the Study and Renewal Center for *Purpose Discussions and Digging Deeper* with Rick Warren. For information: LauraZ@firstpres.cc or 954-598-9312.

Sign up for AAC's Summer Lunch Bunch: June 15 – Sage French Café

We meet once a month on Thursdays! Meet at the restaurant at 11:30am (2378 North Federal Hwy.) During the summer months they have "buy one entrée and get one free." Join us, this will be a fun day! RSVP: TriciaY@firstpres.cc or 954-598-9344.

ACE / Small Groups Summer Program

Summer is just around the corner! The Adult Christian Education and Small Group ministries continues the tradition of Summer programming, including Wednesday evening dinners, movie nights, game nights, service opportunities (clothing drive, love bags for the homeless, etc) and more! Please join our volunteer team to share your talents – contact Mona Petersen at 954-598-9345 / MonaP@firstpres.cc.
(Our Summer session begins June 7 and concludes August 23. The Fall Session resumes on August 30.)



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WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

A Light In The Window
Book \$10, Kindle \$8.99 amazon.com
Facilitated by Kathy Craven
Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Study & Renewal Center
Concludes May 31, 2017

The Women & Men of the New Testament
Bring your Bible
Facilitated by Mary Helen Merchant
Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Chapel in the Sky (3rd floor / Neumann Center)
Concludes May 31, 2017

CONGREGATIONAL CARE OFFERINGS
Grief Support Small Group
Facilitated by Tim Dobbins
Wednesdays at 4:30pm
Spanish Room
Divorce Care
Will resume August 9th, 2017
Wednesdays at 6:30pm
Spanish Room
Contact [Tricia Young \(954\) 598-9344/TriciaY@firstpres.cc](mailto:Tricia Young (954) 598-9344/TriciaY@firstpres.cc)

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Thessalonians for Everyone
Sundays at 9:30am
Facilitated by Bill Cranshaw
Room NC-216

Galatians for Everyone
Sundays at 10:45am
Facilitated by Mona Petersen
Room NC - 216

Questions Asked by Jesus
Facilitated by Herb Clark and Paige Brody
Sundays at 9:30am
Chapel in the Sky (3rd floor / Neumann Center)
3 week study beginning June 4th

Bible 101: "Enrich Your Relationship With God" has concluded and will resume January 2018
Facilitated by Patty Stover

The Parables of Jesus has concluded

The Seven Last "Words" of Paul has concluded

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

Mom Core
Second Wednesdays of the month
Facilitated by Nikki Diefenbach
9:15am
Room NC-227

TUESDAY AM / PM

Men's Bible Study
Tuesdays at 7:45am
NC - 202 / Neumann Center Library

Pebbles of Faith Evening Women's Bible Study - "Battlefield of the Mind"
by Joyce Meyer.
Fourth Tuesday of the month
Potluck at 6:00pm with study to follow
Facilitated by Kim White
NC - 219 (second floor / Neumann Center)

THURSDAY AM / PM

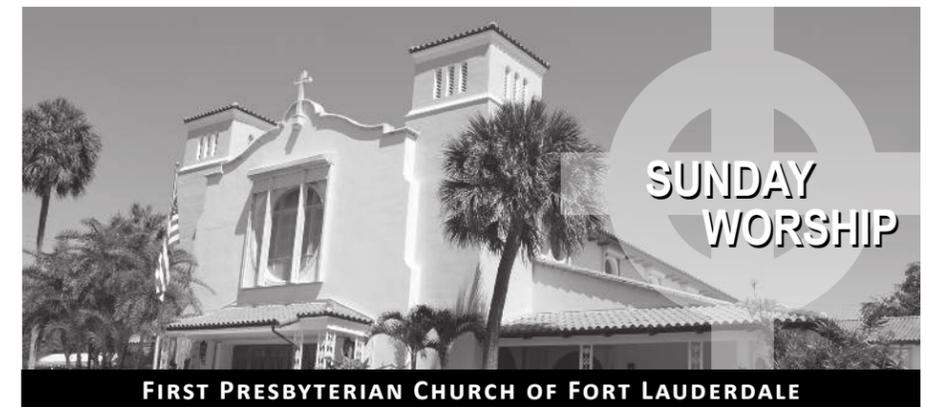
Christian Women Connect!
Morning Women's Bible Study
Digging Deeper Disussions with Rick Warren
June 8 - July 20
In a casual, friendly atmosphere, we will revisit the topics "You Matter to God", "Worship", "Fellowship", "Discipleship", "Ministry" and "Evangelism".
Study & Renewal Center
Contact LauraZ@firstpres.cc / 954.598.9312

Men's Bible Study & Lunch
Facilitated by Eric Johnson
Thursdays at 12:00pm/noon
NC-202 / Neumann Center Library

SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY: 1 & 2 Timothy

The Books of 1 & 2 Timothy
These books might be called "the Teacher's Manual", as these studies from Paul point us in the right direction.
Get plugged in to a small group Bible study. Choose from a variety of days and times.

To get plugged in and find out more contact:
Mona Petersen, Director Adult Christian Education & Small Groups
(954) 598-9345 / MonaP@firstpres.cc



11 AM

May 28, 2017
Seventh Sunday of Easter

Welcome to worship! As a courtesy to others around you, please silence your cell phone. Nursery service is available in the Neumann Center for children aged 3 and younger. Ask an usher for assistance, if needed.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION (To be used silently by each worshipper)

Gracious and loving God as we have come to worship You, silence all voices except Yours in our hearts and minds. Help each one of us to recognize Your presence with us so that we become aware of our need to believe in You, to trust You, and to serve You, and to love You. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

WELCOME

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

TRICIA YOUNG

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT "The Peace of God" CATHEDRAL CHOIR
(Philippians 4)
– Douglas E. Wagner

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 103)

Leader: The Psalmist reminds us to: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His Holy name."
All: The Psalmist reminds us to: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all His benefits."
Leader: The Psalmist reminds us to remember: "The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love."
All: Knowing this, we are now ready to worship God.

*PRAYER OF ADORATION (unison)

Great and good God, You have so made us that we need to worship and to adore You. Indeed we are restless and alone without Your presence to guide us, Your peace to comfort us, and Your love which gives our life meaning. Silence any voice in us but Your own. Give us pure hearts so that we may see You, humble hearts so that we may love You, and hearts of faith so that we may truly worship You. This we pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

***HYMN 155** “Rejoice, the Lord Is King” DARWALL’S 148

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Leader: The proof of God’s amazing love is this: while we are all sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith in Him, we dare with confidence to ask God to forgive us.

All: Forgive us merciful God, for all that we have done to displease You. Forgive our pride and for all that causes us to think that we are superior to others. Forgive us for neglecting to do what we know are the right things to do. Forgive us when we assume we have no need of You, O God. Take away from our hearts and minds any seeds of hatred, prejudice or thoughts of revenge. Grant us a heart filled with compassion for all peoples of Your world. And as we are forgiven by Christ, help us to forgive each other. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, accept the forgiveness which God offers to us in Jesus Christ, and go forth remembering that past sins are forgiven and should be forgotten, because God has forgiven you. Friends, believe this good news.

All: We do believe that Jesus Christ has forgiven us.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** “Amazing Grace”

**Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.**

ANTHEM “Sweet, Sweet Spirit” CATHEDRAL CHOIR
– arr. Doris Akers

***APOSTLES’ CREED**

We believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. We believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER TIMOTHY B. DOBBINS

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***MEMORIAL HYMN 564** “O Beautiful for Spacious Skies” MATERNA

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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

OFFERTORY “For All the Saints” CATHEDRAL CHOIR
– Vaughan Williams

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Epistle: Philippians 4: 4-13, N.T. PAGE 198
Gospel: Matthew 9: 9-13, 18-26 N.T. PAGE 9
*Please feel free to follow today’s scripture reading on your mobile device.
To access WiFi go to fp_guest. Password: fp_guest (case sensitive)*

SERMON REV. DR. ROBERT W. BOHL
“Learning How to Accept: What Seems Unacceptable”

***HYMN 379** “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” WILLIAM BRADBURY

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE “For All the Saints” SUSAN DODD, organ
– arr. David Cherwien

WELCOME GUESTS!

- Please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshment outside the Neumann Center (across the street) after worship.
- Restrooms are located through the double doors at the front left side of the Sanctuary.
- For families with young children: in addition to the nursery in the Neumann Center (Room NC 120), we have a “crying room” located in the Spanish Room with a live stream of the service. (Also through the double doors at the front left side of the Sanctuary.)
- Our Sunday School Schedule:
9:30 am: PreK4-5th grade-2nd floor NC-224, PreK3-1st floor Room NC-127 (Held in Neumann Center)
11 am: Children’s Chapel is held in Watts Chapel. Children ages 4 and up will join together in exploring their faith with a Sunday School lesson and fun Bible story activities.

LEADING US IN WORSHIP TODAY: Rev. Dr. Robert W. Bohl, *Temporary Supply Pastor*, Tricia Young, *Director of Congregational Care & Senior Adult Ministries (AAC)*, Timothy B. Dobbins, *Pastoral Associate*

PLEASE VISIT <http://firstpres.cc/about-us/staff/> for the full staff listing.

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:

Gloria Neer – Holy Cross Hospital

WORSHIP FLOWERS Please call 954-462-6200.

Available dates: June 11, June 18, June 25

THE PRAYER PAGER MINISTRY enables you to let someone know that you have just prayed for them. It is an easy, anonymous, and effective way of providing encouragement and comfort during a difficult time. Please call the church office if you, or someone you know, could use this means of caring support. This week, please pray for:

Patti Mitchell – call pager number 954-823-0114
Michelle and John Pidgeon – call pager number 954-823-0115
Heather Schaeffer – call pager number 954-823-0119

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IN NEED OF PRAYER?

The prayer ministry team would like to pray with you. At the end of the service, come to the front of the church, and you will find a team member ready to pray with you. Prayer requests may be noted on the Connect Card inserted in your bulletin, then place it in the offering plate, and your prayer request will be added to our weekly prayer letter. If you would like to be a prayer warrior and pray for our church family and their needs, please let Tricia Young (TriciaY@firstpres.cc) know and you will be added to receive the weekly prayer letter.

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST

We offer breakfast in the St. Andrew’s Room every Sunday morning from 9:15 am – 11 am. So whatever service you attend – you can still join us for a delicious, homemade breakfast before or after church. Come fellowship with friends, new and old! Cost is \$5 per person. No RSVP needed – first come, first served. Hope to see you there!

A N N O U N C E M E N T S

Membership TODAY

First Step: Learn more & discover ways to connect at First Pres TODAY at 10:15 – 11am in the Spanish Room, S-115 (1st floor of the church building, adjacent to the kitchenette).

Come when you can, leave when you must!

New Member Orientation: Become a member of our First Pres family TODAY at 10:30am (for approximately 30 minutes) in the Bininger Conference Room, S-114 (1st floor of the church building, in the Apostles hallway).

Camp Registration Has Begun!

Cheer Camp: June 12-19 and **Hip Hop Dance Camp:** June 19-23
Full day: 9am–3pm • Ages 6-12 • Registration forms are now available on our website for this awesome summer program! Registration deadline: 6/5. For more information, please contact: Cindy Vason at 954-598-9341 or email:Cindyv@firstpres.cc.

Wednesday Night Live! on May 31, 5pm-6:30pm

Menu: BBQ Pork • \$8 Teens/Adults, \$4 six – twelve yrs, kids under 6 eat free. Food servers needed! Serve dinner at *WNL!* and your meal is on the house! Choose from either 4:45pm – 5:30pm OR 5:30pm – 6:15pm. Remember to RSVP for *WNL!* dinners by noon Monday. To RSVP and to find out how to get plugged in as a food serving volunteer, contact Mona Petersen 954-598-9345 / MonaP@firstpres.cc.