

**First Presbyterian Church of Fort Lauderdale  
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Eric Johnson  
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**ACE**  
ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION  
**SUMMER 2018**

**WEDNESDAY MORNINGS**

**THE SIX TRUTHS OF MOTHERHOOD**

We will gather on the following  
Wednesdays: 8/15, 9/12, 10/10  
Tackle some of the big challenges  
moms face and be reminded that God  
has an amazing, abundant life planned  
for us as mothers...but it starts with us  
walking in the truth — His truth.  
9:30am - bring snack / Childcare provided  
Room: NC-227  
Facilitated by Nikki Diefenbach  
Contact: jennifer.diefenbach@gmail.com

**WEDNESDAY EVENINGS**

WNL! Dinner (Wednesday Night Live!)  
will resume September 5th.

Spiritual Formation Ministry Fair Sep-  
tember 5th.

Watch for more information in the  
coming weeks!

**CONGREGATIONAL CARE  
SUPPORTGROUPS**

**CAREGIVER SUPPORT**

First Wednesdays  
11:00am -12:30pm  
Study & Renewal Center  
Contact Alina Aiken: alzacs.org@gmail.com

**DIVORCE CARE**

This 13-week group will meet from  
7/11 - 10/3 and is for anyone who has  
gone through or is going through a  
divorce or separation.  
Wednesdays / 6:30pm  
Study & Renewal Center  
Facilitated by Kristin Carpenter, Tricia  
and Ronnie Young  
Work Book: \$20  
For information, contact Tricia Young:  
bondutr@bellsouth.net  
Visit the DivorceCare website:  
www.divorcecare.org

**SUNDAY MORNINGS**

**THE GOSPEL OF JOHN FOR EVERYONE**

One of the most beautiful books in the  
Bible, we will read and discuss it with  
humility and hope.  
9:30am / Room: NC-216  
Facilitated by Bill Cranshaw

**TUES / THURS / FRI - AM / PM**

**FRIENDS OF WOMEN OF FAITH**

First Tuesdays / 7:00pm  
Study & Renewal Center  
Contact: Martha Kramer:  
mkramer113@bellsouth.net

**TEA & TABLE TALK**

Second Tuesdays / 2:00pm  
Study & Renewal Center  
Women of all ages are invited to come  
and enjoy an afternoon of compan-  
ionship, A FUN TEA PARTY and dis-  
cussion of varied subjects. Contact:  
Petey Buchholz (954) 566-1744

**MEN'S TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

7:45am  
Room: NC-202 / Neumann Center Library

**PEBBLES OF FAITH**

**EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**  
"THE ARMOR OF GOD" by Priscilla Shirer  
Fourth Tuesdays of the month  
6:00pm Potluck Dinner /study &  
discussion following  
Room: NC-218  
Facilitated by Kim White  
west\_kim@bellsouth.net

**CHRISTIAN WOMEN CONNECT!**

**THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE  
STUDY**

Four week session begins July 12  
"Christianity and World Religions: A  
Christian Perspective"  
9:45am Fellowship  
10:00am Study & discussion  
Contact MonaP@firstpres.cc  
(954) 598-9345

**MEN'S THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY / LUNCH**

12:00pm  
Room NC-202 (Nuemann Center Library)  
Facilitated by Eric Johnson

For more information about our Studies and Small Group, connect with:  
Mona Petersen, Director Adult Christian Education (ACE) and Small Groups  
954.598.9234 / MonaP@firstpres.cc



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FORT LAUDERDALE

**9:30 AM**

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP**

July 29, 2018  
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
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.

\* Worship

Community Life

Tricia Young

\* Worship

Sharing our Gifts

"So Will I (100 Billion X)" - Hillsong United

Emily Grossutti, piano

Scripture Reading

John 6: 1-21

The Message

Responding to the word of God:

"It is I; don't be afraid."

Rev. Nicholas B. Merchant

\* Worship

\* Benediction

\*please stand if you are able



WHERE FAITH COMES ALIVE

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Online giving is available by going to [www.firstpres.cc](http://www.firstpres.cc), clicking the tab labeled GIVE, and following the prompts.

**Preacher:** Rev. Nicholas B. Merchant

**Worship Team:** Emily Grossutti, Al Leonardis, Nic Merchant, Steve Smithberg, Ronnie Young

**Projection Imagery:** Amy Merchant

**Sound, Lights, Video:** Evan Barber

### This week's music

"Marvelous Light" — Charlie Hall

"You Are My Vision" — Rend Collective

"Rooftops" – Jesus Culture

"Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)" — Hillsong

"Unstoppable God" – Elevation Worship

### 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!
- Please feel free to follow today's scripture readings on your mobile device. To access WiFi go to fp\_guest. Password: fpcguest (case sensitive)
- First Presbyterian is also the home of Happyland Day School, a quality preschool for over sixty years. For more info, call 954-463-6051.
- For families with young children: the nursery is located in the Neumann Center (Room NC 120).

### Children's Sunday School Summer Schedule:

**9:30 am:** PreK3 Sunday school in Room #NC120

PreK4-3<sup>rd</sup> grade meet across the street in the Watts Chapel

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to attend worship

with their parents

(Nursery available during the 9:30am & 11am services)

### THE CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION IS EXTENDED TO:

John and Beverly Stockamore and family on the death of John's daughter, Kimberly Stockamore Williams, on July 7, 2018 in Tampa, Florida. A celebration of Kim's life was held in Tampa on July 15, 2018.

### LEADING US IN WORSHIP TODAY:

Rev. Nicholas B. Merchant, *Associate Pastor*, Tricia Young

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

### ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IN NEED OF PRAYER?

We are a praying church and have a team of prayer warriors who will pray and lift up your prayer requests and praises each week. Please write them on your connect card or email them to DarleenC@firstpres.cc to be placed on our prayer letter. If you would like to pray with someone in person, there will be a team in front of the steps after the service each week. Would you like to be a prayer warrior? Please email Darleen to receive our weekly prayer letter.

*If you or someone you love is in the hospital, please let us know.*

**HIPAA laws do not allow the hospitals to call and inform us, so we rely on you. Thank you in advance.**

**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.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Mission project for all ages

Once again, the Vacation Bible School kids will participate in our "Back to School" backpack mission project in August. With the help of the congregation, last year the children were able to put together a total of 100 filled backpacks. We hope you will take part in our VBS mission project by helping our kids reach their goal to fill 150 backpacks this year!! There will be a table located at the entrance of the Neumann Center to pick up your empty backpack along with a copy of the supply list for you to take with you. Items can be purchased anywhere, however if you prefer to make a cash donation, we would be happy to make the purchases for you. It takes approximately \$30 to fill a backpack; however, any amount is appreciated! For more information, please contact Cindy Vason at 954-598-9341.

### Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School

August 6-10, 9am-12pm / Full-day option also available  
At *Rolling River Rampage* kids will experience the ride of a lifetime with God! For more information or to sign up, please visit [www.firstpres.cc](http://www.firstpres.cc) under Children's Ministry or contact Cindy Vason 954-598-9341.

### AAC [Senior Adult Ministry]: AAC Summer Lunch Bunch

Thursday, August 16 – Bravo Italian Ristorante (1515 SE 17<sup>th</sup> Street)  
Join us as we gather at a different local restaurant at 11:30am once a month on Thursdays. Separate checks will be honored.  
Please RSVP to Laura Ziegler at 954-598-9312 so that we can give a count to the restaurant. Let us know if you would like to ride the church bus. Space is limited.

### Christian Women Connect: Thursday morning Bible study

Four week session July 12 - August 2: "Christianity Compared to Other World Religions: A Christian Perspective" Study & Renewal Center  
Thursdays at 10am  
Contact: [MonaP@firstpres.cc](mailto:MonaP@firstpres.cc)

### Divorce Care

Wednesdays at 6:30pm in the Study & Renewal Center  
New 13 week session July 11 - Oct 3. For anyone who is going or who has gone through a divorce or separation. Facilitated by Kristen Carpenter, Tricia and Ronnie Young. Work book: \$20. Contact [bondutr@gmail.com](mailto:bondutr@gmail.com). Visit the Divorce Care website: [www.divorcecare.org](http://www.divorcecare.org).

### Happyland Registration for FPC Members has begun

Call for a tour and find out why Happyland is right for your family:  
954-463-6051