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# **First Presbyterian Church**

St. Petersburg

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# This Sunday at FPC - Baptism of our Lord

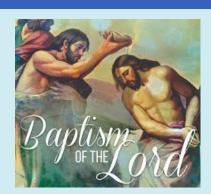
#### **Worship Services:**

- 8:15 a.m. Communion Worship in the Chapel
- 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service in Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

Join us this Sunday as Pastor Dawn preaches on "Windshields and Rearview Mirrors."

**Click here** for Sunday's bulletin.

The FPC Concert Series continues this sunday at 4:00 p.m. with:





#### **Brass Roots Trio**

Three world-class musicians redefine the chamber music genre with the fusion of classical, jazz, Americana and Latin styles. With trumpet, french horn and piano, plus the bonus of a brilliant operatic tenor, BRASS ROOTS TRIO wraps the audience in exquisite sounds. The trio has dazzled audiences and critics alike with their pyrotechnic

virtuosity, artistic passion and adventurous programming.

The BRASS ROOTS TRIO will be performing a light classical/pops program called "Con Brio!"

## **Other Important Information News and Events**

### First News - Help Wanted

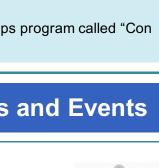
Do you enjoy receiving First News each Friday?

We need a new "First News" volunteer to create and send this important weekly communication. Please contact <u>Diedra Flora</u> if you would be interested in helping your church in this manner. Basic computer skills are needed.

## **News from the FPC Day School**

January 21 - NO SCHOOL - MLK Day

January 22 – Open House at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm in



#### Fellowship Hall

 If you would like to learn more about what's ahead for your child at FPDS, you are welcome to join us for our annual Open House. We will begin with a presentation in Fellowship Hall followed by tours led by our Advisory Committee members.



 Please invite your friends and family who are interested in FPDS to our Open House. Help us spread the word! Thank you!

January 28 – Registration for siblings, alumnae and church members

January 30 – Registration for PMO, MOPs, and Beth Moore

February 1 – Registration for Community



Because printing costs have become extremely expensive, personalized, printed envelopes will no longer be provided. If you wish to continue using envelopes for your offering, you are encouraged to use the ones provided in the pews. There is a place to write your name to ensure that your offering is properly credited.

If you use the dates on the envelopes to track your giving, please contact the church office. Stick-on labels, for each Sunday of the year, will be provided. These can be affixed to your own plain white envelope.

## What Bible Stores make you go, "Hmmmmmm?"

The Bible has its classic stories such as Noah and Ark, David & Goliath, and Jesus and the loaves and fishes. Many of us have heard well-known and beloved Bible stories like these since we were young. But there are also many stories in the scripture that, if included in our early Christian education, may have been confusing. One such story is the sacrifice of Isaac. What kind of God would tell us to sacrifice our children? Some stories are just bizarre such as the story of the talking donkey which can be found in Numbers 22-23. Other Bible stories can be troubling, such as Jesus' pronouncement that it would be easier for a rich man to go through the eye of a needle than enter into heaven. Since by the world's standards, Americans are considered rich, does this mean that heaven's doors are closed to us? And then there are other stories that we may not have heard at all, like how Abraham cut a deal with God as told in Genesis 15.

Beginning on Sunday, January 20th and continuing for four consecutive weeks, preaching will focus on these stories. Perhaps there are other Bible stories that you have wondered about. If so, send them to Pastor Dawn at DConti@fpc-stpete.org. Who knows, you may hear them preached in a future sermon series from a pulpit near you!

Date	Scripture	Topic	Sermon Title
January 20	Genesis 22:1-14	The Sacrifice of Isaac	"Say It Isn't So"
January 27	Matthew 19:23-26	Will the Rich Get into heaven?	"Camels & Needles"
January 27	Numbers 22 – 23	Balaam's Donkey	"Mr. Ed's Cousin"
February 10	Genesis 15:1-1	Covenant with Abraham	"Let's Make a Deal!"

### St. Olaf Choir February 8, 2019 7:30 p.m.



One of the premier choirs in the US, this 75 voice chorus is the premier a cappella choir in the United States. For over a century, the choir has set a standard of choral excellence and remains at the forefront of choir artistry. The ensemble's annual tour brings its artistry and message to thousands of people around the world.

Tickets are \$35 (discount available for groups of 10 or more and for Students). Get your tickets by **clicking here** then be sure to select the St. Petersburg concert. Tickets should also be available at the door.

In the past, this has been a sell-out event at FPC.

## **Honduras Mission Trip**

The FPC Honduras Mission trip will be June 9-16, 2019. If you are interested in more information or have questions about participating, contact **Susan Schlecht**.

<u>Click here</u> to see the Oct/Nov 2018 report from New Hope Clinic and the amazing work they are doing.

# Calendar at a Glance

Click here to view the full church calendar online.

### **Coming up in January**

- January 13 Concert Series Brass Roots Trio at 4:00 p.m.
- January 16 Creating a Culture of Generosity program & dinner. RSVP by 1/9
- January 28 Presbyterian Women Craft Day. Click here for details.

#### **Coming up in February**

- **February 3** Yoga with Adam returns after an extended holiday break.
- February 8 Concert Series St. Olaf Choir at 7:30 p.m.
- **February 21** Stated meeting of the Presbytery of Tampa Bay 9:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.

#### **Reminders:**

- Return your interim pledge to the office or offering plate ASAP.
- Check out the new FPC website (fpcstpete.com)
- Subscribe to the FPC YouTUBE channel.

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