



Your weekly news from ...

## First Presbyterian Church St. Petersburg

March 22, 2019

### This Sunday at FPC

*Third Sunday in Lent*

#### Worship Services:

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

Pastor Dawn's sermon for this Sunday is "Overcoming the Fear of the Future."  
Scripture: [Numbers 13:25-33](#) and [Joshua 1:1-11](#)

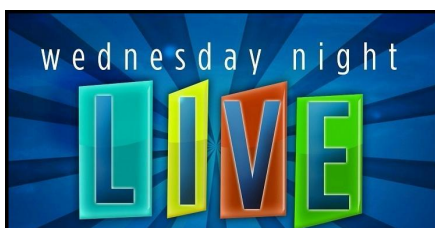
[Click here](#) for Sunday's bulletin and announcements.

Will you be in attendance at one of the services, or will you catch a replay on the [FPC YouTube Channel](#)? We hope to see you live and in person this Sunday at worship.

### Church News and Events

#### Summary of what you will see below:

- Wednesday Night Live
- New Bible Study Announced
- There's a volunteer opportunity just for you
- Church Spruce-Up
- Thank-You From Jack Rain
- Contemporary Service Survey Wrap-Up
- FPC Day School Summer Camp - Time to Register
- Bunco Night at FPC - A fun night out for singles & couples of all ages
- Eggstravaganza Is Being Planned
- Dedication Sunday - Palm Sunday
- All-church retreat at Cedarkirk
- Becky Higman, Last Sunday's Services



5:00 p.m. Children's Choir, 4 - 6 years old,  
Choir Room

5:30 p.m. Dinner - Pulled Pork or Pulled

Chicken & a child-friendly meal

6:00 p.m.

- **Messy Church**, Room S-106
- **Adult Bible Study** with Pastor Dawn and Becky Higman in Fellowship Hall
- **Financial Peace** in the Chapel

Please notify the church office at (727) 822-2031 if you plan to have dinner.

## SAVE THE DATE!

### Women's Tuesday Bible Study

Beginning April 9,  
the study by Priscilla Shirer meets  
mornings or evenings



[For details](#)



- \* Prepare Communion
- \* Help at church 'Work Day'
- \* Be a 'Lunch Pal' for students
- \* Join the social media team
- \* Help with Eggstravaganza
- \* Help with Wednesday Night Live prep
- \* Serve in Guardian Ad Litem program

[Click Here](#) for details.

## Church Spruce-Up Saturday, April 6 8 a.m.



Do you enjoy gardening and being outdoors in the Springtime? Plan to join other members for fellowship as well as to do weeding, spreading mulch and other general yard work.

The Youth Group, led by Dave Aumack, began the sprucing-up job during Spring Break when they re-stripped the back parking lot, cleaned windows and got a head start on the mulching.

On April 6, doughnuts, coffee and water will be provided as well as some gardening tools. Bring your rakes, gloves and a happy spirit for a rewarding morning of light labor and sunshine.



## ... From Jack

Dear Church Family and Friends,

I have been humbled by the incredible generosity of our church family on the occasion of my 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as your organist. I am deeply appreciative of your gifts and of your support throughout these 50 years. During this half century, I have met so many wonderful, caring and supportive people who have all served as an inspiration to continue working at this church. It has been a blessing to know each and every one of you, and I sincerely wish to thank all of you for making March 3<sup>rd</sup> a very special day for me.

Blessings in Christ,

Jack Rain

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## *Survey Response From Contemporary Service Attendees*

We asked for your input and got a terrific response, thank you!

More than 50 percent of the people attending the 9 a.m. contemporary worship service took the time to answer the survey about what they like about the service, how we can attract more people and where the service should take place. The Worship and Music Committee will keep all your suggestions and ideas in our prayers and discussion as we continue to plan for the future.

**Click on the link** for a summary of the survey responses.

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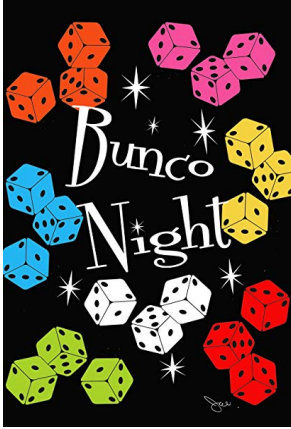
## FPC Day School Summer Camp

There's still time to register!

Please complete the **Registration Form** in its entirety and deliver it to the Day School Office with a check made payable to "FPDS".

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**BUNCO NIGHT at FPC**  
Saturday evening  
March 30, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.



What is it? A fun evening for singles and couples of all ages. It is designed to gently mix us up with one another with the roll of a die. No gambling; **just good fun!** Bring a small snack to share if you can. Come, relax and laugh!



## Eggstravaganza Saturday April 13, 10 a.m.

*(Note: This is the week before Easter)*

Plans are underway for another fun-filled **Eggstravaganza**; a great time for kids (and adults) of all ages.

### How can you help?

We need:

- candy and stuffed plastic eggs
- volunteers to assist on April 13th

You can drop off your candy donations in the designated box in either Fellowship Hall or the Sanctuary. The stores are selling many eggs that are already stuffed. These are welcomed!

If you can volunteer to help out with the event on April 13, please contact Carol Riley at [criley@fpc-stpete.org](mailto:criley@fpc-stpete.org).



### One Worship Service

## Palm Sunday and Dedication Sunday April 14, 10 a.m.

Courageous Living, Courageous Giving

We will have one worship service on April 14th at 10 a.m. in the Sanctuary. In addition to celebrating Palm Sunday, this will be Dedication Sunday when you will return your pledge card for the coming year (July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020).

Highlights of the joyous 10 a.m. service will be waving of palm branches, music by the Chancel and Children's Choirs and an inspiring solo by a guest vocalist of "The Holy City." Join in celebrating our ministry with our commitment of time, talent and financial resources.

# All Church Retreat at Cedarkirk

April 27 - 28, 2019

## Grow Your Faith!

Keynote Speaker: Lynn Kiehne

Cedarkirk Camp and Conference Center, Saturday and Sunday, April 27-28, 2019. ([Click here](#) for directions to the camp.)

Enjoy fellowship and spiritual renewal in a comfortable, beautiful environment. Everyone is invited! Spend the night at the retreat center or just come for the day. Activities are available for all ages including hiking, zip-line, ropes course, crafts and swimming in a child-friendly pool. On Saturday evening there will be a campfire, hayride and line-dancing. Children and students age 17 and under are FREE.

Registration forms are available in the church office and as bulletin inserts each Sunday through Palm Sunday. There will also be opportunities to register before the 9:00 church service each Sunday. For questions or more information about registration, contact Kathy Bardin, (727) 418-4577, or email [stpetebardin@gmail.com](mailto:stpetebardin@gmail.com).



## For Such a Time as This

On March 17, Becky Higman, active Elder and Master of Divinity student, delivered the sermon entitled "For Such a Time as This" at all services.



## Calendar at a Glance

[Click here](#) to view the full church calendar online.

### Coming up in March

- [Click here](#) for March Child Care Calendar
- [Click here](#) for Youth Newsletter for March
- **Tuesdays thru May 7th** - [GriefShare Support Group](#), 10 a.m. in the Chapel
- **March 24 and March 31**, 3 p.m., Yoga With Adam, Fellowship Hall
- **March 30** - Bunco Night at FPC for singles & couples of all ages. 6:30 p.m.

### Coming up in April

- **April 6** - Church Spruce-Up Day
- **April 7** - WNL Children's Choir sings during Contemporary Service
- **April 7 & 14**, 3 p.m. - Yoga With Adam, Fellowship Hall
- **April 9** - Beginning of Women's Bible Study, "One In A Million"
- **April 13** - Eggstravaganza, 10:00 a.m. (Note: this is 1 week earlier this year.)
- **April 14 - 20** - Holy Week
- **April 14** - Palm Sunday Combined Service at 10:00 a.m. in Sanctuary. This is also **Dedication Sunday**.
- **April 18** - Maundy Thursday Service
- **April 19** - Good Friday Service
- **April 21** - Easter
- **April 27-28** - Cedarkirk Churchwide Retreat.

### Coming up in May

- **May 3** - Day School Art Show in Fellowship Hall
- **May 4** - Day School 50th Anniversary Celebration
- **May 19**, 3 p.m.- Yoga With Adam, Fellowship Hall

### Coming up in June

- **June 9-16** - Honduras Mission Trip. Contact **Susan Schlecht** for details.

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