

APRIL 14th, 2024

Worship with FPC | April 14th, 2024 | 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; 3:1-17

Recently, there seems to be quite a few divisions in Christ's Church over many controversial topics.

...and by "recently" I mean oh, since about the first century A.D.

There's nothing new about cultural divides leaking into the Church. Paul wrote about them to the church in ancient Corinth, and his words speak volumes to us living in 2024.

Hope you'll join us on Sunday! -Steve Lympus

We will be together in the Sanctuary for worship this Sunday at 9:30am. You can also click this link **to live-stream** our worship service (or view it afterward):
<https://youtube.com/live/DZKH0HOLzvQ?feature=share>

To listen by phone to the live 9:30am worship service on Sunday via Zoom, call 253-215-8782. You will be asked to enter three codes:

Meeting ID: 84025131691 (then #)

Participant ID: (just press #)

Password: 658627 (then #)

You will also be able to join worship by clicking the link on FPC's web page at www.fpcmissoula.org, or find it on Facebook at 'First Presbyterian Church Missoula.'

Nursery Shower: Sunday, April 14th, Following Worship, New Nursery

Nursery Project Complete! The last few weeks, we've told you about a nursery shower we're doing on Sunday, April 14th in anticipation of the completion of our new nursery in the Sanctuary basement. We're excited to announce that nursery construction is officially complete, and the space will be open to supervised infants and toddlers beginning Sunday, April 21st. We will begin staffing the nursery in the fall. Following worship on April 14th, we're inviting you to join us downstairs in the Sanctuary for just five minutes to bless and pray over this new space before heading to coffee fellowship. We're still on the lookout for a changing table, a dresser, a love seat, and two recliners. If you or someone you know are looking to donate to this space, please get ahold of Austin at austin@fpcmissoula.org or (406) 529-9922.

Beware Email Scams

Some members and friends of FPC have recently reported an email 'phishing' scam – an email that pretends to come from Dan Cravy suggesting the need for an urgent contact or favor. We have reported scammers both to the Montana Department of Justice and to the Federal Trade Commission.

Do not reply to any suspicious email. Internet/email scammers try to reel you with urgent requests to give up financial information, transfer money, or purchase something like gift cards. In the scam attempts we've seen, the sender's email mimics Dan's church email to appear plausible. If you are at all suspicious of a communication from Dan or First Presbyterian, please call the church office or simply text Dan's mobile phone (in the church directory) to check. Also: Dan's authentic church email is dan@fpcmissoula.org.

Rummage Sale Success!

What a week we had together! Many truck/car/trailer loads were sorted and marked to get ready for our sale days. The volunteers worked so hard and everything was ready and marked in record time. The Casas group set up and took down and had the fellowship hall all ready to go for church the next day. Many folks have asked, what do we do with the remaining items that didn't sell?

This year, we donated to these businesses:

Missoula Aging Services received all the jewelry for their jewelry sale in the summer.

Heart Church took men's, women's clothing and shoes and bedding.

Hope Rescue Mission received items from the boutique for their thrift store.

The Book Exchange paid us for a few of the leftover books.

Teen Challenge took the rest! A huge semi-truck full for their thrift store. With everyone's help, we exceeded our goal for our Casas fundraising. THANK YOU to all who donated, sorted, marked, worked and cleaned up!

Topper's Party: April 20th, 4:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Saturday, April 20th is coming soon...you'll be home way before the sun sets at 8:30pm. If you haven't received an invitation yet to the Toppers Party (65+) please let us know. Please RSVP by April 15th to Kristi Jacobsen (406-214-2129) or the church office (406-549-5144).

April Sending Sunday: Sunday, April 28th, Following Worship

Our next Sending Sunday is April 28th. Following worship that morning, we will be extending some care and attention to our church buildings and grounds. Wear your work clothes to worship!

Family Promise Wants Your Containers for Leftovers!

Our church is one of many in Missoula that provides support to families living in the Family Housing Center (the Meadowlark) through Family Promise. Residents of the Meadowlark are encouraged to take leftovers from dinner each night so they have food for breakfast and lunch. There is a current need for leftover containers for this purpose. Almost anything is helpful from restaurant to-go containers, plastic salad boxes, yogurt containers, or plastic boxes from chicken. You can drop them off at the Meadowlark (1800 S Third St W) on weekdays.

Upcoming Dates for FPC Gatherings:

April:

- Morning Prayer: Tuesdays, 8:30am, Sanctuary
- Nursery Shower: April 14th, Nursery (Former Choir Room), Following Worship
- Topper's Party: April 20th: 4:30pm
- Congregational Meeting to Elect Elders and Deacons: April 21st, Following Worship
- Sending Sunday: April 28th

May:

- Grad/Baby Sunday: May 12th
- Pentecost Worship: May 19th

Announcement Guidelines and Office/Staff Hours

Announcements for FPC's Friday News Emails and for Sunday Worship must be sent to secretary@fpcmissoula.org and emma@fpcmissoula.org by Wednesday.

- FPC Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 9am - 3pm, 406-549-5144
- FPC Staff Meeting: Tuesdays, 9:30am - 11:30am
- Pastor and Ministry Directors (Dan Cravy, Emma Thackston, and Austin Graef) work Mondays; unavailable Fridays
- Operation Manager (Becky Kress) and Secretary (Haleigh Adair) work Tuesday - Fridays; unavailable Mondays
- Program Support Administrator (Jo Ruby) typically works Tuesdays & Thursdays

Helping Hands

For questions related to emergency assistance, please contact our Helping Hands Team: Jan Everett (jeverett53@gmail.com), Jane Hogan (2jhogan@gmail.com) or Krista Hellem (kristahellem@yahoo.com).

Prayer List

Ongoing Prayer Support: Victor Schlimgen, Eva Tsosie and son Chaske, Tom Tucker, Sheryl Tegelberg, Lou Power, Kelley Nicholson, Peggy Schalk, Betty Winchell

Prayers for Health and Healing: Bob Maitland, Haleigh Adair, Carl Miller, Annabelle Olds, John MacDonald, Pam Dubois, Janet Malone, Bob Davis, Jill Gilliam