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Worship with FPC | Nov 16, 2025 | Acts 16.1-5

Who is a someone who invested in you?

Who is someone you've looked up to? Who shared with you not only knowledge and skills, but a way of seeing the world, a kind of wisdom and way of life?

Everything of the spiritual life, community, and purpose that Jesus invited, he mentored. He invested in the lives of twelve apprentices, building relationships, showing the Way.

This fall we have been invited to do nothing less than to Do as Jesus Did/Does – that is, to ask the question: What Would Jesus Do If He Were Me?

This Sunday, we consider another answer to that question: Mentor Apprentices. It's what Paul did with Timothy.

In whom are you intentionally investing for apprenticeship to Jesus? With whom are you building relationship on behalf of practicing the Way? Who will say it was you who inspired their faith, hope and love?

Prayer: Lord, I give you thanks for your ongoing work of grace to keep growing me as your apprentice. And I ask that you might set upon my heart the person(s) I myself am meant to mentor in your Way. Give me courage to share my unfinished life as a step of faith. Amen.

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/UUZzhkQo1MY?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 <u>www.fpcmissoula.org</u>, or find it on **Facebook** at 'First Presbyterian Church Missoula.'

November Sending Sunday November 23rd, 11-1 pm

Join us after worship on November 23rd as we volunteer a few hours of our time to Mountain Home Montana. Please let Eric or Rachel know if you're planning on joining by calling (831) 246-0496 or email at rovegnoeric@gmail.com Mountain Home Montana provides a safe home and nurturing community where young mothers discover their strengths and children thrive.

Youth Group Friendsgiving 🍁

All students in The Rock and High School Youth Group are invited to join us for our Friendsgiving celebration on Sunday, November 23rd, from 4:30–6:00 p.m. Come enjoy great food, fun, and fellowship! Students are welcome to bring a dish to share—though it's not required. We can't wait to celebrate together!

Thanksgiving Eve Service: Wednesday, November 26th, 5:30pm

Please join us on the eve before Thanksgiving in the Sanctuary for a time of worship and thanksgiving!

Handbell Choir Concert

The First Presbyterian Handbell Choir will combine with the Methodist choir to perform a concert of Advent and Christmas music on Sunday, Dec. 14 at 3:00 pm. The concert will be held in the Sanctuary of the Methodist Church, 300 E. Main St. and is free to the public. Elevator access is available just inside the back entrance of the church. Refreshments will be follow the concert.

High School Youth Group Update!

Thank you to everyone who shared feedback through our Children, Youth, and Family survey! To better serve our families with youth in both The Rock and High School Youth Group, we're adjusting the High School meeting time to Sundays from 4:30–6:00 p.m. Both The Rock and High School Youth Group will now meet at 4:30 p.m. in the youth room before splitting into their separate groups for the evening. If you have any questions, please reach out to Sarah cyf@fpcmissoula.org

Autumn Contact Update

If you have not had a chance to update your contact information please take a moment to fill out the orange sheet in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate. You can also use this link or the QR code to fill out the form. https://forms.gle/39izG9UMWWCt8Y1U7



2026 Pledge Cards Coming Soon

Along with the beautiful fall weather we have been blessed with, this is the time of year in our church calendar when we wish to remind all that our pledge letter will be coming forth. You should get a pledge invitation letter via mail in the next 2 weeks. Along with this there will be an enclosed pledge card. This communication will be our request for you to prayerfully consider pledging your families' time, talents and funds to FPC for 2026. In planning the 2026 budget, it is very helpful to have your family complete the pledge card with this information and monetary pledges for God's work via giving to FPC. Please return your pledge card by December 2. If you have not received an invitation letter, contact the church office (Tuesday-Friday 9:00-3:00) 406-549-5144. Thank you for your faithfulness in making stewardship a priority in your life helping to further Jesus' love and grace. (Neil Shepard, Noah Hill, Colin McKearnan, Stewarding Elders for the Session)

Upcoming Dates for FPC Gatherings:

November

- November 23rd Sending Sunday @11 1 (Mountain Home Montana)
- November 23rd Youth Group Friendsgiving @ 4:30 6:00
- November 26th Thanksgiving Eve Service @ 5:30

December

- December 9th Senior Luncheon @ 11:15
- December 14th Handbell Choir Concert @ 3:00 (Sactuary of the Methodist Church)

Prayer List

Ongoing Prayer Support: Victor Schlimgen, Tom Tucker, Kelley Nicholson, Nick Bailey, Peggy Schalk, Mike & Mary Fussell, Tyler Winchell, Bill Ingalsbe, Ray and Susie Risho

Prayers for Health and Healing: Jill Gilliam, Sarah Shepard, LeeAnn Meloche-Porter, Betty Winchell, Heidi Ingalsbe, Sean Barry, Jean Johnson, Betty Hershman, Mike Hickey

Condolences: The family and friends of Bill Jones