UPCOMING DATES

11/08 Worship and Fellowship after Worship
11/08 Pastor Bible Study Matthew (Sunday @ 4:00 pm)
11/09 Connections Women's Book Group
11/10 Newsletter Deadline
11/10 Pastor Bible Study Matthew (Tuesday @ 1:00 p.m.)
11/10 Grace Note Bells & Joy Ringers
11/10 & 11 Committee Meetings
11/11 ROMEO & Library Ladies
11/11 Holy Grounds with Question of the Day
11/12 Bean Redeemed
11/12 Kairos
11/12 Westminster Choir Practice
11/13 Friendship Harvest Festival Potluck - 6-8
11/15 Worship and Fellowship after Worship
11/15 Youth Group Lunch and Tile Painting

Virtual Holy Grounds

with "Question of the Day"
Wednesdays at 1:30 pm

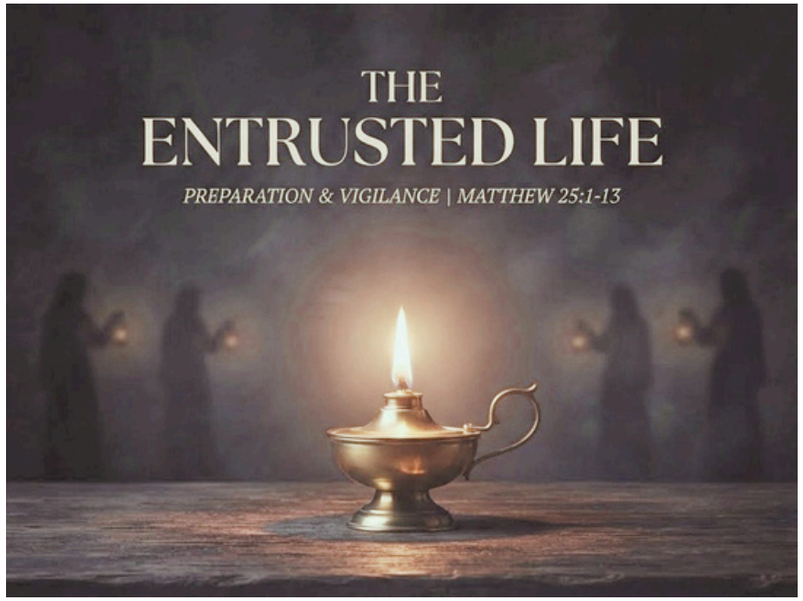
Join with R.O.M.E.O.
(Retired Old Men Eating Out)
Wednesdays 10:00 a.m.

The Sunday Service is
on our website: www.fpcidahofalls.org

If you would like a copy of Pastor Phil's sermon, let the office know and we will make you a copy.

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First Presbyterian Church
November 8, 2026
Building Relationships; Sharing God's Love



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WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Worship begins as God's people gather, praise God in words and music, and hear about God's love for us.

Preparation for Worship

How would it change your life if you were to wait expectantly for the return of Christ?

Prelude *Be Thou My Vision* Arr. Mary Byrne

Welcome and Announcements

Moment for Generosity ~Robert Johnson

Choral Call to Worship *I Want Jesus To Walk With Me*

Call To Worship

People of God, listen: the Lord has done marvelous things.

Teach your children all that God has done so that they may live in hope and die in peace.

Prayer of the Day

***Hymn** #401 *Here in This Place*

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Holy and gracious God, you are all light and wonder and glory. You are our strength and our delight; you give us all we need to live. Yet we are distracted by all that glitters, continually grasping for more. Rather than trust in your provision, we chase after our own happiness. Forgive us, Lord, and turn us back to you. Overwhelm us with your goodness and cover us with grace, for we know that you are the source of life, the fount of all that is good. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

***Words of Assurance**

***Response** #581 *Glory Be to the Father*

FRIENDSHIP HARVEST FESTIVAL POTLUCK

November 13, 2026 ~ 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Bring your favorite fall-inspired dishes.
Come together with our church and community family for an autumn celebration of faith, food, and fun and quiet board games.
(Bring a quiet kid and/or family board game if you wish.)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Don Libby

Ashley Libby

Clayten Libby

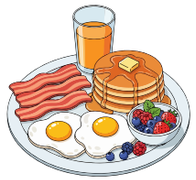
George Galilee

BULLETIN BOARD



CONNECTIONS
BOOK CLUB
The Blue Castle by
L.M. Montgomery
Monday, November
9th at 7:00 p.m.

Bring a Friend for Breakfast with
Desert Fellowship at
Dixie's Diner 9:30 am
Saturday, November 7th



BIBLE STUDIES!

Pastor Bible Study on Matthew
Tuesdays @ 1:00 p.m. & Sundays @ 4:00 p.m.

Thank you to all who participated in and helped with the Halloween on Elm Street. It was a great success with lots of trick or treaters and 139 lbs of food for the Food Basket was raised at FPC!

CHRISTMAS BASKETS

We have not been able to find a suitable building in which to run the Christmas Basket project as we usually do. This year we will still try to serve about 200 families by providing a gift card for food and another one for children's gifts. Therefore, we will not have tags on the tree for you to take, but monetary donations will be especially important this year!
Please give as you are able.

Time With Young Disciples

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

We ask God's Spirit to help us understand how God wants us to live.

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading Joshua 24:1-3, 14-25 NIV pp. 368-369

Second Reading 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 NIV p. 1840

Special Music *By Our Love* Arr. Gregg Sewell
~Westminster Choir

Third Reading Matthew 25:1-13 NIV pp. 1540-1541
This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

The Entrusted Life Stewardship Series, Sermon #1
Sermon "Buying Oil in the Dark" Rev. Dr. Phillip A. Hagen

***Hymn** #69 *Here I Am, Lord*

***Affirmation of Faith**~ Belhar Confession (On Unity and Justice)
We believe that unity is both a gift and an obligation for the Church of Jesus Christ. This unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity, and hatred between people is a sin which Christ has already conquered. We believe that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, in a special way is the helpless, the poor, and the wronged, and calls the Church to follow him in bringing justice to the oppressed. Amen.

Prayers of the People
. . .Eternal God,
hear our prayer.

Invitation to Giving

Offertory

Doxology *Praise God , from Whom All Blessings Flow* #606

Prayer of Dedication

Communion

Introduction

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer

. . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

. . . Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Let us now say the prayer Jesus taught his disciples to pray saying, Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Closing Prayer

WE ARE SENT OUT INTO THE WORLD

We receive God's blessing as we go out to be God's people in the world.

***Hymn** *Alleluia*

[1]Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia; Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Praise the Lord!

[2]He is worthy, He is worthy,
He is worthy, He is worthy;
He is worthy, He is worthy,
He is worthy, Alleluia!

Blessing and Sending

May the grace of Christ surround you,
the love of God uphold you,
and the Holy Spirit spark you
with unquenchable fire as you wait and work for the kingdom to come.
Go in Peace!

Choral Benediction *There is a Balm in Gilead*
~Westminster Choir

Postlude *He is Exalted* Twila Paris

Thank You To Our Participants In Worship Today

Worship Leader ~ Glen Gunther
Ushers ~Glenn & Melinda DeVoe, Kathy McBride

Come join our congregation for a time of fellowship and refreshments downstairs in the Lower Lounge after worship.

PRAYER CONCERNS (Be in Prayer for Monthly)

For the Friends of Lyman Martin, For the Family of Peggy Miles,
Pete Planchon, Patsy Atkinson, Bruce Schnitzler,
Don Hagrman, Kathey Fischer, Diane Mondell

Please Hold in Prayer (Long Term)
Jim Rose, Jerry Perks, Linda Haffner, Scott Gruwell, Bruce Schnitzler.
All those struggling with the disease of addiction and loved ones serving in the military. Special prayers for our world in this trying time.