

Prelude *Sandi Rabas, accompanist*

Welcome and Announcements

**\*Call to Worship:**

*Leader: Amid this time of isolation and quarantine;*  
**People: We gather this morning as people of hope;**  
*Leader: To hear the good news of Jesus Christ;*  
**All: And to be renewed in the promises of God.**

**\*Opening Song # 2270** *“He Has Made Me Glad”*

**\*Prayer of Confession (In Unison)**

**Mighty and merciful God, you are near the brokenhearted and are close to those who are crushed in spirit. In this time of isolation and fear, we call upon you for help and hope. When we seek our own direction, may your hand guide us back to you. When we lose our faith, may your grace remind us of your promises. When we feel like giving up, may we find our hope in a God who has been with us and will continue to be with us. We ask these things through the love and guidance of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(Please continue in silent personal confession...)*

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

**\*Song # 2074** *“Shout to the Lord”*

**Connecting With One Another**

*L: May the peace of Christ be with you.* **All: And also with you.**

**Children’s Time**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Old Testament Scripture: Psalm 127** *pg. 573*

**New Testament Scripture: John 20:19-29** *pg. 115*

**Sermon Series: “Snapshots of Hope”**

*Part 2 of 3: “Needing a Bit More”*

**\*Song of Response # 2071** *“Jesus, Name Above All Names”*

**\*Apostles’ Creed**

**Worshipping God With Our Offerings**

**The Offertory**

**\*The Doxology** *pg. 592*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Lord’s Prayer (Debts/Debtors)**

**\*Closing Song** *“This Little Light of Mine”*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude** *Sandi Rabas, accompanist*

**\* Indicates to stand, if able and comfortable.**

***Sermon Series: “Snapshots of Hope”***

Date	Sermon title	Scripture
April 26	Needing a Bit More	John 20:19-29
May 3	Making Breakfast	John 21:1-14

## Announcements

**Staying Connected:** We hope that you stay connected with our church during this time of social distancing. Daily devotions by Pastor Dave as well as classes and worship services are being offered through our church's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/fpcbillings](http://www.facebook.com/fpcbillings). If you need help in connecting to this site, please contact Pastor Dave at 696-4913.

**Here to Help:** If you need groceries or personal care items, please contact the church office or Pastor Dave at 696-4913 and we can make arrangements to have items brought to your home. A number of people in our church have volunteered to help others during this time.

**Kid Connection:** Do you need help around your yard or odd jobs around your house? Kids in our church's youth group are available to help where and when needed. Please contact Russ, our church's youth minister at 719-431-3846.

**Hopeful Stories:** The series "Stories of Hope" will continue this Sunday at 9:15 AM. Taught by Pastor Dave, this series is looking into some of the stories surround the resurrection appearances of Jesus. We need stories of hope during this time of pandemic, and this class is intended to do just that. This class will continue to be offered online at [www.facebook.com/fpcbillings](http://www.facebook.com/fpcbillings) and will continue through Sunday, May 17.

**Meeting Moses:** Pastor Dave continues his class on the life of Moses titled *Moses: From Basket Case to a Man of Faith*, on Tuesdays from 12-1 PM. This class will continue to be offered online at [www.facebook.com/fpcbillings](http://www.facebook.com/fpcbillings) and will run through Tuesday, May 19. This five week class will explore the fascinating life of Moses, one of the main characters in the Old Testament. Join us for this special class that corresponds so well from the last class we just finished on the life of Joseph.

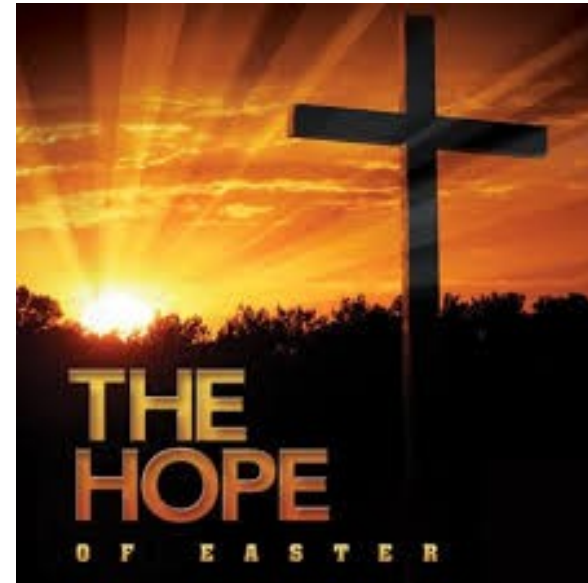
**Sanctuary flowers** this Sunday are sponsored by Peggy J. Wilson in honor or faith, family, and friends. Our flower sign-up sheet is available to designate flowers in memory or honor of someone. Please find the sheet as you enter the sanctuary. Suggested donation is \$25.

**Youth Group** is meeting on-line at various time during the week. Russ is developing some on-line options for kids to stay connected through Sunday school, youth group, and a weekly game night. Contact Russ at 719-431-3846 or [russ@fpcbillings.org](mailto:russ@fpcbillings.org) for further information and schedule of events.

**Fishing Derby:** We are asking everyone to continue to fill your fish banks with money which will go to support the less fortunate. The fish will be collected at a later time when we can all be back together again.

### COMING ATTRACTIONS:

- Youth/College Basket Auction has been postponed to a later date
- Church clean up day will be rescheduled from Saturday, May 2
- Summer worship schedule changes to 9:30 AM on Sunday, May 24
- FPC Golf Tournament at Par 3 has been rescheduled for Saturday, Sept. 12
- Young Adult trip to Zambia, Africa is currently pending
- Vacation Bible School is currently scheduled for June 1-5



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**April 26, 2020**

# This Week @ FPC

**This Sunday** (April 26) Hopeful Stories class 8:00 AM  
Worship 9:00 AM at 11:00 AM  
Middle and high school Sunday school online 5 PM  
No Westpark Village Worship

**Monday** No Better Together Preschool

**Tuesday** No Women's Bible Study  
The Life of Moses class offered online 12noon

**Wednesday** No Better Together Preschool  
No Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) Leader's Meeting  
Online Youth Group for grades 6-12  
No Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday** No Bible Study Fellowship (BSF)

**Friday** No Better Together Preschool

**Sunday** (May 3) Hopeful Stories class 8:00 AM  
Worship 9:00 AM at 11:00 AM  
Middle and high school Sunday school online 5 PM  
No Westpark Village Worship

Last Sunday: Offering: \$ 6,709.00

## Sermon Helps

Designed to help you get the most out of the sermon

*Sermon Series: "Snapshots of Hope"*

*Part 2 of 3: "Needing a Bit More"*

*John 20: 19-29*

### A. Setting the Stage:

1. It is evening on the first Easter Sunday and \_\_\_\_\_ of the disciples are together in one place.
2. Nighttime often brings out our greatest \_\_\_\_\_.
3. The disciples do not exhibit an Easter \_\_\_\_\_.
4. We all come from \_\_\_\_\_ places of faith.

### B. Jesus Appears to His Followers:

1. Nothing can \_\_\_\_\_ the risen Christ.
2. Some people come to faith through the ordinary life of the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Thomas represents all of the \_\_\_\_\_ nuts.
4. There is room in the Kingdom of God for \_\_\_\_\_ !

### C. Thought to Take With You:

*Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." —Matthew 11:28-30*