

Announcements

Worship Time Change takes place this Sunday, May 24 when we will go to our 9:30 AM worship time. Worship will continue to be offered online as an option.

Memorial Day Recognition: We will remember this Sunday those from our church family who have died during the past year. We also recognize those who serve in our military, both current and veterans. Thank you for your service to our country and in preserving the freedom of America.

Giving Mobile App: Our church has just launched our giving mobile app. You can text FPCBillings to 77977 and give a one time gift or set up reoccurring gifts. We appreciate all of the ways you give to the ministry of our church. If you have any questions about his you can talk with Jeanne or Pastor Dave.

Memorial Day Service: You are invited to join Pastor Dave at the Yellowstone Valley Memorial Park cemetery this Monday, May 25 at 11:00 AM for a special Memorial Day remembrance. Pastor Dave will lead a brief service which will include scripture, a short message, music, and a time to remember our loved ones. YVMP is located at 3605 Grand Avenue. Please bring your own chair.

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.

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.

Sanctuary flowers this Sunday are given by Earl and Sharon Henderson who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, May 23. They were married in our church on May 23, 1970. 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 has 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 at russ@fpcbillings.org for further information and a schedule of events.

COMING ATTRACTIONS:

VBS scheduled for June 1-5 has been cancelled due to the pandemic
Youth/College Basket Auction has been postponed to a later date
FPC Golf Tournament at Par 3 reschedule for Saturday, September 12
Young adult mission trip to Zambia, Africa postponed until 2021



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Prelude *Sandi Rabas, accompanist*

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We gather this morning to remember;

People: The sacrifice of Jesus Christ for our sins;

Leader: The sacrifice of many for our freedom.

All: We gather this morning to remember and to give thanks.

***Opening Song # 564** *“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”*

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

Holy God, on this Memorial Day weekend we remember those who have gone before us. We hold on to the memory of family and friends, military personnel, and service workers. We know that grief is very real and personal. Help us to turn to you as the source of our strength and hope. Help us to know of your promises of new and eternal life that is offered freely through your sacrifice upon the cross. We pray these things through the One who binds up our wounds and heals our broken hearts.

(Please continue in silent personal confession...)

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Song # 2152** *“Change My Heart, O God”*

Passing the Peace of Christ

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

Children’s Time

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Scripture: Psalm 67 *pg. 529*

New Testament Scripture: John 14: 1-7 *pg. 108*

Sermon: *“Room to Grieve”* *see Sermon Helps*

***Song of Response # 404** *“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”*

***Apostles Creed**

Worshipping God With Our Offerings

The Offertory

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

Special Memorial Day Tribute

David Sanderson

Marine Memorial Hymn on the Great Highland Pipe

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

***Closing Song # 280** *“Amazing Grace”*

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Sandi Rabas, accompanist

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

This Week @ FPC

- Sunday**
(May 24) **Worship service (note time change) 9:30 AM**
Special Memorial Day worship
No Westpark Village Worship
- Monday** **Happy Memorial Day**
Memorial Day Remembrance at YVMP 11:00 AM
No Men's Group— we will meet next on June 8
- Wednesday** **Online Youth Group 6:00 PM**
- Thursday** **Online Game Night for Youth Group 6:00 PM**
Mission Committee meets in the Fireside Room 7:00 PM
- Sunday**
(May 31) **Worship service 9:30 AM**
Pentecost celebrated— wear bright colors
No Westpark Village Worship
- Last Sunday: Attendance: 52 Offering: \$3,692.00**

Sermon Helps

Designed to help you get the most out of the sermon
Sermon "Room to Grieve"
John 14:1-7

A. The Effects of Grief:

1. Grief is a _____ response to losing someone or something that's important to you.
2. Grief reminds us of the _____ we have for others.
3. Everyone grieves _____.
4. Grief can cause our faith to become _____.

B. Helping Us See Beyond our Grief:

1. Jesus _____ God's promises to us. (verse 1)
2. He _____ us of a heavenly place. (verse 2)
3. Jesus _____ us that he is the way. (verse 3-6)
4. Jesus _____ our relationship with God. (verse 7)

C. Thought to Take With You:

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths." —Proverbs 3:5-6