

# Welcome!

We are glad you are here to worship God with us today! We hope you get a taste this morning of our life together as a congregation.

## Our Mission

To honor God by helping people become fully-devoted followers of Jesus.

## Our Values

- Jesus Christ as Lord
- Loving God wholeheartedly
- God's Word as foundational
- Equipping all for ministry
- Telling God's Good News
- Generosity
- Compassion and social justice
- Prayer and healing
- Children, youth, and families
- Community

## Sundays at FPCSM

9:30am	Morning Worship Service
9:45am	Children's Sunday School & Middle School Gathering
10:30am	Refreshments and Fellowship
11:00am	Life Groups
5:00pm	Lighthouse Worship Service

**Communion** is normally celebrated on the first Sunday of each month.

**Childcare** for infants through 3-year-olds is available in our nursery during worship. The nursery is located on the first floor of our children's wing. Childcare for elementary school-age children is provided during the Life Groups.



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## Welcome Card

Thanks for taking the time to complete this card, so we know you're here and can keep our records current!

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

First-Time Guest    Returning Guest    Regular Attender    Member

### NEW INFORMATION ONLY

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Please place this card in the offering. →

# Opportunities to Connect

No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, there are always opportunities to grow!

## Life Groups Sundays, 11:00am

Small groups gather weekly to study, pray and share life together.

## Cancer Support Group Second Sunday of each month, 1:00pm, The Lighthouse

If you or someone you know is fighting cancer, you are encouraged to join us.

## Women's Monday Evening Bible Study 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month, 7:30pm, Iona Room

A time of sharing/caring prayer and Bible study.

## Women's Daytime Bible Study Thursdays, 10:00am, The Lighthouse

Weekly Bible study for women of all ages. Childcare is available upon request.

## Lunch with the Pastor 2nd Thursday of each month, 11:45am, The Lighthouse

A casual and fun lunch together addressing issues and needs, and discussing FPCSM's future. Bring your own lunch; drinks and dessert are provided.

## Choir Thursdays, 7:30pm, Choir Room

Our wonderful choir that helps lead the congregation in worship is open to *anyone*. Whether you have never sung in a choir before or you have sung in choirs your whole life, you are welcome.

## Men's Bible Study Saturdays, 8:00am, The Lighthouse

Great fellowship for men of all ages to share God's grace and study His Word.

## Sandwiches for Samaritan House 4th Sunday of each month, 8:30am, Geneva Hall

All ages are welcome to be a part of putting together lunches for Samaritan House clients who would otherwise go without food on the weekend.

## Discover First Pres

A 4-session class (offered 2-3 times per year) that provides a great introduction to FPCSM, and to the foundations of the Christian faith and what we believe.

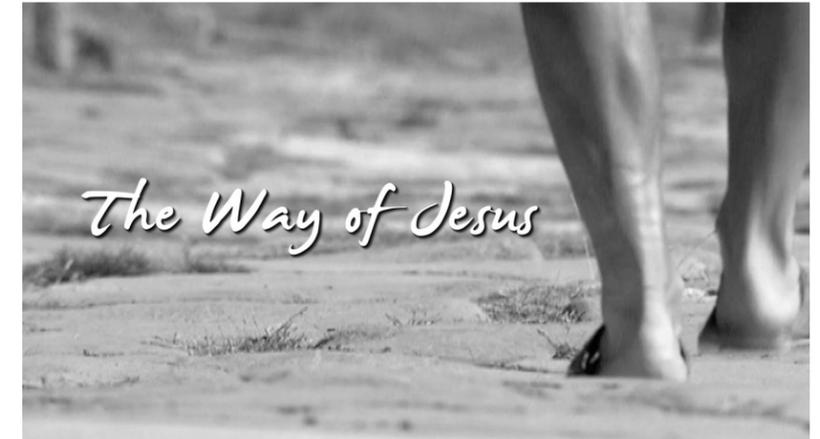
## Community Outreach Focus: Spirit Care Ministry to Seniors

SpiritCare provides pastoral care and loving companionship to senior adults living in local care residences. Pastors seek to fill the void for seniors, who have been left without a pastor since moving to a new home. They minister through worship services, Bible studies, and spiritual counseling. Volunteers administer Christ's love in various ways, such as, conversation and listening, music, games, crafts, and visiting with pets. A small board of directors has been faithfully supporting the ministry for several years.

**Please pray that:**

- God would send leaders to fill SpiritCare board positions;
- God would sustain and refresh current board members and pastors;
- He would raise up more volunteers to serve on His behalf;
- Senior adults would experience daily care, encouragement and Christian fellowship;
- That senior care residences would become homes full of the light of Christ.

**To learn more about this special ministry please see:**  
<https://www.spiritcareministry.org/> or speak to Marcy Wigeri van Edema.



The Christian discipline of simplicity is an inward reality that results in an outward lifestyle. Both the inward and outward aspects of simplicity are essential. We deceive ourselves if we believe we can possess the inward reality without its having a profound effect on how we live. To attempt to arrange an outward lifestyle of simplicity without the inward reality leads to deadly legalism.

- Richard Foster, *Celebration of Discipline*

As Jesus made so clear ... freedom from anxiety is one of the inward evidences of seeking the kingdom of God first. The inward reality of simplicity involves a life of joyful unconcern for possessions. Neither the greedy nor the miserly know that liberty. It has nothing to do with abundance of possessions or their lack. It is an inward spirit of trust. The sheer fact that a person is living without things is no guarantee that he or she is living in simplicity. Paul taught us that the love of money is the root of all evil, and often those who have it the least love it the most. It is possible for a person to be developing an outward lifestyle of simplicity and to be filled with anxiety. Conversely, wealth does not bring freedom from anxiety.

- Richard Foster, *Celebration of Discipline*

Purity of heart is to will one thing.  
- Soren Kierkegaard

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## Order of Worship

Teach me your way, Lord,  
that I may rely on your faithfulness;  
give me an undivided heart,  
that I may fear your name.  
- Psalm 86:11

Prelude

Welcome

Song *In Christ Alone* Congregation

Greeting One Another

Announcements Louise Griffin

Call to Worship and Prayer of Praise Steven Finau

Songs *My Redeemer Lives*  
*The Lion and the Lamb*  
*Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)* Congregation

Time With Children Gladys Gardner

Joy

Prayers of the Congregation and for the World Jim Yeager  
This week we pray locally for Spirit Care Ministry to Seniors and globally for Doug and Barbara Lamp serving in Brazil.

Call for Offering

Offertory *Everlasting God* Worship Team  
Words and music by Brenton Brown and Ken Riley

Scripture Matthew 6:19-34

Message *Simplicity* Shannon Pappas

Song *Your Love Never Fails* Congregation

Benediction

Postlude  
Please silence your cell phones during the worship service.

**Prayer:** We believe God is all-powerful, God heals, and God responds with love to the prayers of His people. Prayer teams are available to pray with you at the conclusion of the worship service.

 **Notes:**

## Today

**Worship Fuel**  
9:00am, front lawn

Fuel up before heading into worship. Grab a coffee and a snack, visit with others in the FPCSM family, and help make our guests feel welcome. If you would like to help host the table one Sunday, please contact Mia Fischer at [miaf@fpcsm.org](mailto:miaf@fpcsm.org).

**Photo Board Pictures**  
10:30am-11:00am, Geneva Patio

We're putting together a photo board, and we're hoping that you'll be glad to have your photo (with your name) on the board. Photographers will be on Geneva Patio in order to snap a quick photo of you.

**Life Groups**  
11:00am, various locations

Be a part of a Life Group to deepen your relationship with God and make stronger connections with others in the congregation. A list of Life Group topics and room assignments is available in the lobby.

**Lighthouse**  
5:00pm, The Lighthouse

Got other plans on Sunday morning? If so, join us on Sunday *evening* at 5:00pm! The coffee bar opens at 4:30pm. Dinner will be served at 6:00pm for those who can stick around. It's a great time of worship and community.

## Events & News

**Memorial Service**  
Saturday, November 3, 1:00pm, sanctuary

A memorial service celebrating the hope that we have in the resurrection through Jesus and giving thanks for the life of Harold Buzan will take place on Saturday, November 3 at 1:00pm.

**Quilts with a Mission**  
Sunday, November 11, 8:30am-12:00pm, Geneva Hall

If you have a heart for missions and a love for art, come and support Quilts with a Mission! Sowers and Reapers have made an array of beautiful quilts, throws, table runners, hangings, baby quilts, bags of all sizes, aprons, photo cards and many more items. There will also be delectable treats like chocolate dipped persimmons and lemon curd. All the proceeds will go to missionaries supported by FPCSM.

**Christmas Under the Stars—Save the Date!**  
Saturday, December 15, 5:00pm-8:00pm

It is already time to *save the date* for our annual outreach to our community: Christmas Under the Stars! Together we will serve our community through giving them a unique opportunity to celebrate the birth of Jesus! There will be roles for everyone. More information coming soon. For questions now, contact Mia Fischer at [miaf@fpcsm.org](mailto:miaf@fpcsm.org) or Steven Finau at [stevenf@fpcsm.org](mailto:stevenf@fpcsm.org).

### CALL Primrose Thanksgiving Boxes

CALL Primrose is a drop-in food pantry providing grocery assistance to low-income families on the Peninsula. Our deacons are sponsoring a food collection with a goal of filling at least 80 "Thanksgiving meals in a box" to be given to families in our community. A list of needed items for each box is available in the lobby. **Please drop off your donation at the church office or in the lobby by Sunday, November 11.**

For more information, contact Bergen Chen at [bergenchen@yahoo.com](mailto:bergenchen@yahoo.com).

## Youth Ministry

**Middle School Gathering**  
Sundays, 9:45am, Youth Room

Middle school students meet every Sunday except on Communion Sundays (typically the first Sunday of the month) and when there are special events. **Today, students will leave following the children's message.** The youth Life Group for middle school and high school students will meet at 11:00am.

**Youth Group**

Thursdays, Middle School 6:00pm-7:30pm; High School 7:00pm-9:00pm

All are encouraged to come to an awesome night of connecting. At each youth group we worship, pray, learn and grow together!

**Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Night**  
Thursday, November 8, During Youth Group

Come to youth group ready to pack, decorate and pray over your box! The amazing journey of a shoebox gift begins with us and will result in evangelism, discipleship and multiplication.

## Children's Ministry

**Power Station Classes**

Sunday Morning

Children are dismissed from the worship service for Power Station—where Jesus gives us the power to live for God! All classes meet in the children's wing. Signs are posted with specific classroom information.

**Kingdom Club**

Wednesdays, 5:30pm-7:30pm

A fun mid-week program for kids, kindergarten to fifth grade, which includes dinner, Bible lessons, crafts, children's choir and games. Registration information is available in lobby, in the church office and on our website.

**Little Sprouts**

Fridays, 9:30am-11:30am, Geneva Hall

Our popular play group for infants through pre-K and their grown-ups.

### Prayer Requests (All is kept confidential)

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**Christmas Under the Stars, December 15, 5:00-8:00pm**

How will you be a part of it?

**I commit to:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> distribute flyers to publicize             | <input type="checkbox"/> serve refreshments       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> participate as cast, choir, or band member | <input type="checkbox"/> pray                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> setup crew (heavy & light lifting tasks)   | <input type="checkbox"/> do traffic control       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> provide 3 dozen cookies or bars            | <input type="checkbox"/> cleanup crew             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> help with costuming for Live Nativity cast | <input type="checkbox"/> other: _____             |

Please fill out the contact information on the other side. →