

MINISTRY UPDATES

Friends,

Please check out the opportunities below that are designed to help us engage, grow, serve, and worship together as a church family during this season.

As a note, our building operational hours have been adjusted. Starting this Sunday, January 10, the FPC campus will be open Sunday–Friday from 7 AM–7 PM and on Saturday from 8 AM–4 PM.

FPC offers a variety of ways to worship! Whether you choose in-person or online, we have multiple options for you to join us each Sunday. Visit our [More Ways to Worship](#) page or see our "Worship" section below for a full list of our services.

We look forward to seeing you in-person, online, or both!

Thank You,
FPC Communications

NEW & UPCOMING

Rediscovering Biblical Justice Sermon Series

January 10–February 14

Concern for justice is one of the most widely discussed subjects in both our culture and our church today. Sadly, it can also be one of the most controversial. Though the topic is complex and the conversations often difficult, Christians should not ignore or avoid the subject of justice. Join us as we rely on God's Word to explore the foundation and facets of biblical justice, while working to better understand and differentiate it from more secular interpretations.

Faith Conversations

Tuesdays | Beginning Jan 12 | Noon | Online

Our Faith Conversations series resumes next week with a dialogue about Biblical Justice. This discussion will be hosted by Pastor Jim and Pastor Caitlin and will include the opportunity to participate via live Q&A. Faith Conversations is a weekly live stream hosted by Pastor Jim and other guests to discuss issues impacting our community, our nation, and beyond. To join the discussion or see a complete list of upcoming topics, please visit click [here](#).

2021 Virtual ECO National Gathering

Into the Unknown | Jan 29–31

ECO's 2021 Virtual National Gathering is a time for leadership development, encouragement, and a deep dive into God's flourishing next step for your life and ministry. Grab your friends for an inspiring weekend together. For information and to register, click [here](#).

Explore FPC*

Sat | Feb 6 | 9 AM–12:30 PM | Online

Are you interested in learning what it means to become a member, or Covenant Partner, of FPC? This class explores the tenets of our reformed faith and ways to engage in discipleship and community. You will also discover what it means to dedicate your time and talents to the mission of FPC and ministries that advance God's kingdom. To learn more and to register, click [here](#).

It is expected that one attends the entire morning of the class since its content will be abbreviated, and it is also expected that one attends Joining Day. Please note, you must register for this class individually and the deadline for registration is Wednesday, February 3.

**This class is a requirement to join the FPC family.*

How to Pray Course

Tuesdays | Beginning Jan 19 | 5 PM | Online

As we turn a chapter on a New Year, do you wish to strengthen your prayer life? Join us for this prayer course! *How to Pray* will meet weekly on Tuesdays at 5 PM. The series will follow the Alpha method of prayer utilizing the book *How to Pray*, by Pete Greig, emphasizing listening. During each meeting, we will watch a video, discuss, and pray together via Zoom. To register, please click [here](#).



WORSHIP

Your Session approved a plan to temporarily schedule the Contemporary service for 5 PM on Sunday evenings in the Sanctuary beginning this coming Sunday, January 10.

In-Person Worship | Sunday | 10:45 AM & 5 PM

Traditional Service | Sanctuary | 10:45 AM
Contemporary Service | Sanctuary | 5 PM

Pre-registration required. Click [here](#).

Online Worship | Sunday

Contemporary Service | 10 AM
Traditional Service | 10:45 AM

Join us online: [FPC Live](#) | [Facebook](#) | [YouTube](#)

To learn more about our Sunday worship options, please visit our [Ways to Worship](#) page.

Post-Service Online Discussion Group

Join the 10:45 AM online service to discuss the sermon with FPC pastors and connect with the FPC community. [Zoom link](#) | Meeting ID: 815 0945 8591 | Passcode: 142041

Children's Sunday Morning Worship

Access this week's Sunday worship video [here](#).



MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Feeding Houston's Heroes

As we start the new year, we hope to continue to encourage and support our frontline workers, first responders, and local restaurants. Watch this [video](#) of how this initiative continues to serve the Houston community. To support our efforts, click [here](#).

Main Street Ministries Opportunities

Start the New Year off by getting involved at Main Street Ministries! Opportunities include:

Operation ID: To learn more and sign-up, please email csadler@msmhouston.org.

Bridges Out of Poverty: Learn how to reduce poverty with this virtual class that takes place Feb 3–Mar 10. To sign up, please email [Kathie Hartzog](mailto:Kathie.Hartzog).

Garden Donations: The Main Street Ministries garden is in need of clean pine needles (no weeds or leaves) as well as paper grocery bags to distribute the garden-fresh fruits, herbs, and vegetables. These may be dropped off on Mondays or Tuesdays at 5100 Travis St., Houston, TX 77002.

Interested in Serving?

As the new year approaches, are you thinking about ways you can serve with your family or small group? If so, contact [Mary Floye Federer](#) or [Lea Byrd](#) to learn more about opportunities and how you can get involved!

For more information on these and other Mission Opportunities, email [Lea Byrd](#).

COVID-19: Serve & Be Served

For a complete list of our Serve and Be Served opportunities, please click [here](#).



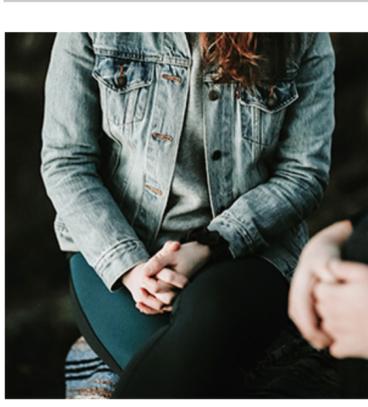
DEVOTION & DISCIPLESHIP

Small Groups, Sunday Schools, and D-Groups

Life is not meant to be lived alone. Though our pandemic situation might be the same, you can still take the first step to get connected to a community group. FPC has many different options for community! A small group or Sunday school class will help you grow in God's word and our smaller, gender-specific discipleship groups provide support in prayer and other spiritual formation practices. Contact [Catie Smith](#), Director of Discipleship, to learn what type of group might be best for you.

Intersections Sunday School

Looking to study Scripture or desiring community in the new year? Join the Intersections Sunday School Class on Zoom as they journey together through the book of Isaiah. This study will not only help you understand the ancient world of Isaiah, but also the promise of Emmanuel, the incarnation of Jesus, and the relevance for our lives today. For more information contact [Doug Meikle](#).



CARING & WOMEN'S MINISTRY

GriefShare

Mondays | Jan 25–Apr 26 | 6:30–8 PM | Via Zoom

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Register [here](#) or for more information, contact [Lija Shah](#).

Care Prayer

The congregational care prayer list is emailed weekly to the FPC congregation for those in our community in need of prayer. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, or if you would like to be added to our weekly email list, please contact us

at caring@fpchouston.org.

Women's Ministry

The Women's Ministry Tuesday morning and Thursday night Bible study groups will begin a new year with the Sermon on the Mount. All information and welcome to get updates on our groups or contact [Valerie Arredondo](#) for more information and to get updates on our groups.



EVANGELISM

Seeker Friendly Bible Study Group

Meets every Wednesday

Movie & Theology

Sun | Jan 10 | 3 PM

How to Pray Class

See above for more details

Life-Long Learners Book Club

Thur | Jan 14 | 7 PM

For more information on these events, please contact Rev. [Emmanuel Paulpeter](#).

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