

Announcements 6-1-26

MINISTRY MATCH

Join your FPC family and take a short survey to get instant results as to opportunities at FPC that complement your interests and skills. You are not signing up for anything by participating.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Please keep our middle school youth mission trip team in your prayers this week. They are in Western North Carolina to work on ongoing recovery needs as well as spiritual and physical needs in this region after the catastrophic effects of Hurricane Helene.

PUNCH ON THE PATIO

We encourage you to sign up to host a Punch on the Patio after worship this summer. We still have a lot of available slots along with all the details on our sign-up online. We hope to be able to have this time of fellowship every Sunday this summer!

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP EVENT

Let's go to the Hickory FC game! Bring a chair or blanket and a picnic and meet us in the parking lot at 5:30pm. We'll tailgate then sit together at the game. We'd love for everyone to sign up online so we can reserve enough seats for everyone. Let us know if you'd like to purchase a ticket with our group.

NEXT NEW MEMBER CLASSES

Our next New Member classes will be on Sunday, June 7, and June 14, both at 9am in the New Member classroom. The first class will focus on what it means to be Christian in a Presbyterian way, and the second class will focus on what it means to be a member of FPC. We welcome anyone interested in learning more about our church.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY SUMMER STUDY

Our 10am Monday WBS Zoom group will have a 6-week study beginning June 1 on *Questions Jesus Asked* by Magrey Devega. Email shannonpleasant@gmail.com or aaposton59@gmail.com with questions or for a Zoom link.

SUMMER SAINTS

We'll offer a faith formation opportunity for adults at 9am on Sunday mornings this summer beginning June 7. The study is on *Amazing Grace - A Vocabulary of Faith* by Kathleen Norris.

SUMMER SIGN-UPS

We have numerous ways to serve and get involved over the summer. You'll find sign-ups for Welcome Center Greeters, Kairos Ushers, and Sanctuary Ushers on our sign-ups page.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Sign up your children to participate and yourself to volunteer at Illumination Station on June 22-25. For questions on VBS, contact sarah@hickoryfpc.org.

FPC BOOK CLUB

Our book club is now reading *Whispering Winds of Appalachia* by John Ellington. We welcome everyone to join us on Monday, July 13 at 7pm in the parlor for our discussion.

CHOIR RETREAT

All singers who are interested in checking out our choir are invited to a choir retreat on Saturday, August 29 from 9am-2pm. Contact kiki@hickoryfpc.org with questions or sign up online.

MONTREAT SAVE THE DATE

We have been able to secure the weekend of February 5-7, 2027 for our next congregational retreat in Montreat. We hope you will all mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details!

MAIN FPC BUILDING

We have a keyless entry system on most of the doors into our main church/administrative building, and your old church keys will no longer work. Contact Sarah (sarah@hickoryfpc.org) with questions about keys or Sarah or Beth (beth@hickoryfpc.org) to add anything to the church schedule to ensure access.

FAMILY MISSION OPPORTUNITY

Sleep in Heavenly Peace is a national organization that builds beds for children without one. A new Hickory chapter is looking for volunteers and donations, and Bobbi Trick (bobbitrick@gmail.com) can provide details on how your family can serve.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We have an additional option for submitting prayer requests. You'll find this form online with our sign ups. The submissions will go directly to our ministerial staff.

FPC PHOTOS

We love pictures of everything going on around the church! Please share any pictures you have or take with beth@hickoryfpc.org

REALM

We invite you to sign up for Realm, our church database that will allow you to have access to our online directory. We would love for everyone to sign up soon to make sure the information we have is correct. Please contact Beth Taylor (beth@hickoryfpc.org) if you need help signing up or have questions.