Love is First

We are delighted that you are joining us for worship today! We are a curious, inclusive, and diverse gathering of imperfect people united by our common hope in Jesus Christ. Through worship, study, and service, we seek to know and show the transformative love of God found in the pages of scripture and revealed in the person of Jesus. No matter who you are or where you are on your spiritual journey, know that you are welcome here.

Sunday, November 15, 2026

If You Are New Here Whether you are searching for a church home or visiting from out of town, thank you for worshiping here today. If you are interested in receiving more information about membership or the ministries of this congregation, please be sure to speak with the pastor after today's worship or share your information on the pew pad or friendship card. We would love to get to know you.

Prayer Concern? Please let us know how we can pray for you by filling out the welcome card and placing it in the offering plate or by calling the church office: (941) 955-8119.

Children Of All Ages Are Welcome in Worship! At the New Song (9:00 a.m.) service there are coloring sheets on the tables and an activity center in the corner. At the traditional (11:00 a.m.) service, children are invited to take a worship bag hanging in the narthex. Sunday School is from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the children's wing on the second floor. Ask a greeter for directions.

To Aid in Worship In the sanctuary, a T-Coil Hearing Loop is available for people with equipped hearing aids. Headphones to amplify sound are also available at the tech booth in the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship Online Livestreams of the contemporary and traditional worship services are available at www.fpcsrq.org/streaming and on YouTube at www.youtube.com/@fpcsarasota4017.

Ways To Give There are many ways you can support the mission and ministries of First Presbyterian. During worship, you may place your gift in the offering plate, or you can scan this QR code. It will direct you to our online giving portal. Additionally, you can mail a check to the church office. Thank you for your gifts. Questions? Contact Finance Manager, Lisa Garcia: (941) 955-8119/Lisa@fpcsrq.org.

Beach Clean-Up TODAY

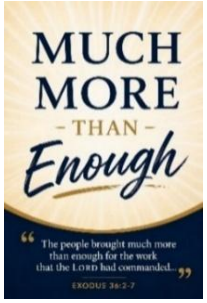
Good news! This event is now open to the whole family, and children of all ages are welcome! Parents are asked to stay with and supervise children in 5th grade and younger, as chaperones are available only for our middle and high school students. RSVP to Tim Walsh at TimW@fpcsrq.org

WHAT: Beach Cleanup & BBQ
WHERE: Siesta Key Beach – Sea Turtle Pavilion
WHEN: Sunday, November 15
4:00–4:45 p.m.– Beach Cleanup
4:45–6:00 p.m. – BBQ under the pavilion (Sunset is at 5:45!)
Please meet at the pavilion at 4:00 p.m. to check in and pick up county-provided cleanup gear.

Stewardship 2027 — Much More Than Enough

We are deeply grateful for our congregation's generosity and the many ways your pledges support the ministries and mission of FPC. There is still time to make your commitment for the coming year. Every pledge, no matter the size, helps us plan faithfully for the future. Thank you for giving with open hearts and trusting in God's provision.

Haven't turned in your pledge yet? There's still time! Please prayerfully consider your commitment as we continue our ministry together.



Adult Sunday School Class *Join us at 10:00 a.m. on Sundays in Room 203*

Women of the Bible Speak continues this week with Paul Urbanick!
Schedule: November 15: Sarah; November 22: Hagar.

Advent Study **A Spiritual Journey in the Midst of a Secular World, beginning November 29 for four weeks. Exploring *Life of the Beloved* by Henri Nouwen Led by Pat Higgins**
This Advent, explore our deep longing for God through Henri Nouwen's *Life of the Beloved*. Amid a world that urges us to do more and be more, we are invited to step away from the noise, rest in God's presence, and embrace the truth that we are deeply beloved. Through reading and shared reflection, we will deepen our relationship with Christ and rediscover the meaning of being God's beloved.

FPC Thanksgiving Collection for Immokalee Farm Workers ~ November 22–29

FPC is collecting clothing and household items for migrant farm workers in Immokalee through our mission partner, Mision Peniel. Most-needed items: blankets, sheets, towels, children's gloves, socks for all ages, jackets/hoodies (adult S, M, L), size 6 diapers, and baby wipes. Donations may be left in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall entrance, or church office. Monetary gifts are welcome; please note "Farm Workers" on your check or online donation. Questions, contact Dave Householder.
As we prepare for the holidays, let's share our blessings with those who work hard to provide for us. Thank you for your generosity!

FPC Volunteer Day Sunday, December 13

Join in after church from **12:30–2:00 p.m.** to freshen up our church campus for the holidays! Everyone is welcome to lend a hand. Please bring water and gloves. There are plans for projects inside and outside. We look forward to working together to get our campus ready for the season!

Horizons Bible Study: United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other

This month, we invite you to study Paul's letters to the church in Corinth. Paul explores the boundaries of Christian freedom and what it means to live in community, reminding us that the congregation should look out for its most vulnerable members. The Bible study will be led by Sandi Soper on Wednesday, November 18 at 10:00 a.m. For more information, please contact Jinny Miller at jinnyron@gmail.com for the Zoom information or a copy of the lesson, if needed.

Upcoming Children & Youth Events!

November 15: Beach Clean-Up BBQ at Siesta Beach Turtle Pavillion. Open to all Families! All ages! 4:00-7:00 p.m. Please RSVP to timw@fpcsrq.org
November 22: Christmas Tree Decorating & Hot Cocoa and Cookies Around the "Campfire" 11:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Help decorate, have a Chrismon lesson, all with hot cocoa and cookies.
November 29: Advent Workshop 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall courtyard. All are welcome as we kick off Advent with a fun make-it-and-take-it craft day. (No Sunday School)

More Details Coming! Questions, contact Tim Walsh (941) 356-0801 or timw@fpcsrq.org

Financial Update

October	Actual	Budget
Revenues (pledge, non-pledge, and other receipts)	$ 83,318	$ 72,344
Expenditures	128,761	111,404
Year-to-date		
Revenues (pledge, non-pledge, and other receipts)	1,232,704	1,011,519
Expenditures	$ 1,006,423	$ 1,118,101

As we enter this season of gratitude, we are thankful for the generosity that strengthens our church. Every gift helps us continue our ministry and makes a difference in the lives of others. Thank you for sharing your blessings and being an important part of all we accomplish together!

Would you like to receive our Friday E-Newsletter? E-mail info@fpcsrq.org to be added to our distribution list.