May 7, 2023
Announcements

We're glad we can worship together today!
We hope that you experience the love of God and of this congregation as we worship,
celebrate, and serve with one another.

Congratulation to our confirmation class

Caroline Ruth Clissold, parents are Rebecca and Ed Clissold

Daniel Malcolm Clissold, parents are Rebecca and Ed Clissold

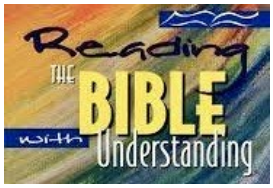
Jaidyn Kate McAlister, parents are Jen and Denver Stutler

Kaitlyn Grace McAlister, parents are Jen and Denver Stutler

Henry Maxwell Mills, parents are Carrie and Lorenzo Mills.



Cedarkirk Traveling Day Camp is Back!
June 12– 16
See News @ First for more information



Reading the Bible With Understanding
Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. - May 23

For Presbyterians the importance of Scripture, along with Faith and Grace are foundational beliefs. This class introduces important ways to consider when interpreting different parts of the narratives, poetry, wisdom, and letters that make up the Bible. We'll consider what Presbyterian believe about the nature of the Bible and which translation is best for each of us. Together we'll take a broad look at the Biblical story in its many forms. This class will be led by Elaine Barnett, a member of FPC, an Elder and Certified Christian Educator. Sign-up by emailing email ewbarnet@me.com

May 9 Interpreting the Gospels
May 16. Interpreting Poetry and Wisdom Literature
May 23 Interpreting Letters

Recommendations for Officer Candidates - Last Day

It is our privilege and responsibility as Presbyterians to elect our own leaders, and the Nominating Committee is organizing for the work of the coming year. They would like to know names of members whom you believe to be gifted for service as elders, deacons, or members of next year's Nominating Committee. Position descriptions and nominating forms are available in the entryway (along with a box for you to submit completed forms). The last date for submissions is TODAY Sunday, May 7. Please be in prayer for the committee as they undertake this work of discernment.

Congratulations Graduates

Ethan Barnett graduated from American School in London and will attend Davidson College in Davidson, NC Ethan is the grandson of Elaine Barnett.

Jennifer Decerff, is graduating from Columbia Teachers College in NYC with a PHD in Literature. Jennifer is the daughter of Pat Higgins.

Wyatt Graceffa, grandson of Dick Clapp, will graduate from Chequamegon High School in Park Falls, WI he will attend University of Wisconsin-Stout in Menomonie, WI and plans to study engineering.

Graham Hammond, graduated from University of Delaware. Graham is the grandson of Tom and Bonnie Lankford.

Hunter Hammond, graduated from Episcopal High School in Alexandria, VA and will be attending the University of South Carolina. Hunter is the grandson of Tom and Bonnie Lankford.

McLain Miller graduated from the University of South Florida, with a Bachelor of Science in Education. McLain will be going to Columbia University in NY to pursue a Master of Arts degree in education policy and social analysis with a concentration in K12 and higher education. McLain is a member of FPC, daughter of Sara and Kent Miller and the granddaughter of Ron and Jinny Miller.

Emery Miller graduated from the University of Michigan with a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering. Emery will begin his career in the field of electric vehicles at ONE (Our Next Energy) in Novi, Michigan. Emery is the grandson of Ron and Jinny Miller.

Sophie Miller graduated from Holt High School. Sophie is still undecided about her college choice but plans to pursue a career in athletic training. Sophie is the granddaughter of Ron and Jinny Miller.

Tyler Reasoner graduated from Georgia Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering and a Minor in Robotics. He is headed to Los Angeles this summer for an internship with SpaceX and will return to GA Tech in the fall to pursue a Master's Degree. Tyler is a member of FPC and the son of Andy and Beth Reasoner.

Invest In Children

Another lovely thank-you note has arrived! Enjoy the note below . . .

Dear Friends,

Thank you very much for thinking of us at this time of the school year. We are happy to be adopted. This money will allow us to do some special projects related to science and end of the year activities.

We are so thankful for our friends at First Presbyterian Church!

Mrs. Harrison's First Grade Class
at Brentwood Elementary School



FPC Sarasota Giving Options

Your gifts make a difference!

Online: If you are interested in giving electronically through our secure e-giving process, please visit FirstPresSarasota.org and select the online giving button.

Texting: Text FPC2050 to 73256 to donate via text. Standard rates may apply.

Mail In: All mail, including contribution checks, securely arrives at our church office.

If you would like to receive our Friday E-Newsletter, please call the church office, (941)955-8119 or email, info@firstpressarasota.org.