



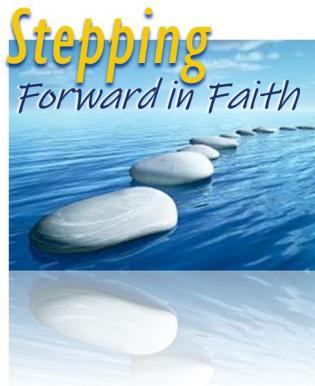
October 9, 2022 Announcements

*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.*



Reception Today for Tim Boggess!

- **We are excited to welcome Rev. Dr. Timothy Boggess** as our new pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Sarasota!
- Please plan to welcome Tim during the **10:00 a.m. fellowship coffee hour** or at **12:00 noon in the fellowship hall**. Come and give Rev. Boggess a warm greeting!
- **A basket** will be available for cards.



Stewardship - Commitment Sunday

On Sunday, October 23, we will:

- Present our **2023 pledges** during both services
- Present painted and unpainted **rocks** to share information about FPC with the community
- **Have a potluck luncheon following the 11:00 a.m. service**
- Suggestion:
Those with last names A - I: bring fruits and salads of all kinds
Last names J - Q: bring breads muffins, coffee cakes, etc.
Last names R - Z: bring "main dishes" or proteins such as casseroles, quiches, ham, tofu, etc.

Sunday, October 30

Intergenerational rock painting during the **10:00 a.m. coffee hour**. As a part of this stewardship season, we can help to continue the tradition of welcoming those who seek to grow in God's love and grace. There will be a rock painting activity October 30 for all ages.

- Paint pens and rocks will be provided.
- All levels of talent welcome!
- Each rock will be labeled with our church logo, QR code, and "All are welcome here!"
- Once painted and labeled, the rocks will be placed around town, inviting those who find them to discover FPC.

FamilyPromise Moment for Discipleship

Today the Family Promise Director, **Tara Maffei**, will speak briefly at both services and will be available to meet with people during the fellowship hour.

Hurricane Ian Relief: Hands-on Ways We Can Help!

Our Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) program is actively working to provide relief to people affected by Hurricane Ian. They were in Port Charlotte last Wednesday. We support this agency in many ways, especially through the One Great Hour of Sharing offering in the season of Lent. We have also given extra support for specific projects—most recently, aid for Ukraine. PDA is now seeking extra support for Hurricane relief. You may give online at <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/hurricane-ian> or make your donation through our church by marking your donation as "Ian relief" on your check memo line, or via the church website / online giving; select Prsby.Dis.Asst. with "Ian Relief" in the memo. Please email **Dave Householder** (dphouse47@gmail.com) or **call the church office** (941) 955-8119 to share how you would like to help or if you, or someone you know, has specific needs that have risen from the Hurricane Ian damage.



Called Congregational Meeting - Next Sunday, October 16, 2022, 12:00 noon

The session is calling a congregational meeting October 16, following the 11:00 a.m. worship service in the sanctuary. The purpose is for the **election of elders and deacons** in the class of 2025, and the **church officer nominating committee members** in the class of 2023. A booklet of nominees' biographies is available at worship services or online. All church members who are able are asked to be present to ensure a quorum. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please be in prayer for all of our church leaders.



Children and Youth at FPC

The Youth and Children Ministry is off and running! Click on the link in *News@First* to view the upcoming events and find out more about Sunday School, ideas for *Practicing the Practice in Your Home*, and ways that you can volunteer.

Mark Your Fall Calendars for Family Intergenerational Events

- October 30 - Pumpkin Carving Party
- November 27 - Advent Workshop

Adult Education Opportunities (class descriptions in *News@First*)

- **Tyranny and the Founding Fathers**, led by Hendrick "Hal" Serrie, Ph.D.
- Sundays, October 16 – November 20, 2022 - 10:00 a.m. during the Fellowship Hour
- **Enough: God's Blessings in Abundance**, led by Elaine Barnett via Zoom
- held Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m., October 18 - November 8
- Sign-up by emailing Elaine at ewbarnet@me.com



Invest in Children - Brentwood Elementary School

More volunteers needed!

To join the FPC group of volunteers, contact **Jinny or Ron Miller** at church or call them at their Sunnyside home, (941) 371-2750 (ext. 554), or by email at jinnyron@gmail.com.

Family Promise Casual Luncheon and Recognition Event

Saturday, October 22, 2022, 12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m. on grounds of St. Boniface Episcopal Church. No charge. Register by October 8; email [Joanne Simons, SimonsJC1@gmail.com](mailto:Joanne.Simons.SimonsJC1@gmail.com)

Be a Congregational Health Promoter with Our Health Team!

If you are interested in working with the Health Ministry Team to implement health care programs, education and events, you can apply to register for the virtual training course held on **Wednesday, November 9**, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. through the link in *News@First*. Please contact **Cheryl Track**, Faith Community Nurse, for more information, 4tracks@comcast.net or (941) 320-3828.

We're Here for You!

The FPC care team, Stephen Ministers, deacons, elders and church staff continue to be available for you. Please feel free to reach out to **Cheryl Track**, Faith Community Nurse (941) 320-3828 or call the church office (941) 955-8119 if we can be of support to you.

FPC Sarasota Giving Options



Offering baskets will be available as you exit. Your gifts make a great 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 are not currently receiving the weekly electronic newsletter, **News@First**, and would like to, please call the church office at (941) 955-8119 or email info@firstpressarasota.org to sign up!