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The First Word

"Strive first for the kingdom of God." Matthew 6:33

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Starting the New Year with the New Old You

Your baptism is to be remembered and celebrated over and over again as you grow into your understanding of what it means to be made new in Christ. The Faith Formation team has provided a combination of online and printed resources for all ages to access at home, during the first few weeks of 2021. If you did not receive the New Old You bundle via email or missed it on the church Facebook page, please let us know and we will resend or mail you a printed copy. Email atedder@fpcandersonsc.com for info.

At FPC, your Faith Formation matters to us!



Are You Doing the Deep Dive?

A daily Bible reading plan is available and it's not too late to start!

Email atedder@fpcandersonsc.com if you need a copy. A new plan (Lent through Easter) will be available soon!

SERMON TALK-BACK

Back by Popular Demand: Sunday Morning Sermon Talk-Back

Join your pastors each Sunday in January for a chance to unpack the sermon topic, comment, and ask questions. Go to our Facebook page immediately after the live-streamed service (usually @ 10:50 am) to access this feature and connect with pastors and church family. Dig a little deeper on Sunday!



SCOTLAND 2022?

The Roots of the Reformation trip to Scotland previously scheduled for October 2021 has been postponed. We are working with Educational Travel Services to assess the possibility of safe travel in fall 2022. Of course, we will move forward slowly, taking all precautions and ensuring a good refund policy is in place. Stay tuned for details this fall, FPC travelers!

Contact Curry Ann & Chris
Askew if you'd like
to join this new young adult study/
fellowship group at First Pres.
Email curryannw@gmail.com
or text 864-940-8814.



Congratulations to:

Bette Ann Braeutigam on the birth of her grandson **Bailey Braeutigam (Bud) Ross** on January 2, 2021. The proud parents are **Connor and Brittany Ross** and proud big sister is **Rosy**.



Jim and Angela Markley on the birth of their grandson **Augustus Buchanan Wilson** on January 5, 2021. The proud parents are **Michael and Hayden Wilson**.

Christian sympathy of the
pastors and congregation is
expressed to:



Carrie Gibson and family on the death of her husband **Charlie Gibson** on December 2, 2020.

Beth Spann and family on the death of her husband **Henry Spann** on December 4, 2020.

Laura Jones and family on the death of her husband **Julian Jones** on December 6, 2020.

MISSIONS EMPHASIS

Our January Mission Emphasis is for Shalom House. This ministry provides holistic recovery for women addicted to alcohol and drugs. We will be collecting spiral notebooks or journals and pens/pencils/markers/hi-liters for them. Please bring your donations to the blue bin outside the church office.



WORSHIP BY PHONE WITH FPC
Simply dial 864-335-8884 and our most recent service will play over your phone line!



SOUPER Bowl Mission Drive

This Super bowl season we want to tackle hunger! Our FPC youth will be collecting food for local feeding ministries. Every year on Super Bowl Sunday our FPC youth collect monetary donations to donate to local hunger programs usually after worship with our giant soup pots but we are switching it up this year.

Drop-Off your donations to the Kirk: Wednesday, Feb. 3rd from 5-6:15pm or Sunday, February 7th from 11am - 2pm. Our youth will be there to welcome you and unload from your vehicles. Monetary donations will also be accepted.

Donation Needs List: (all food items must be individually packaged)

snacks, chips, crackers, cookies, meat (tuna fish or Vienna sausages), nuts, trail mix, 12 oz. Gatorades, bottled water, beef jerky

Wednesday Night Drive-Thru is BACK!

Pick-up from: 5:30pm - 6:15pm

RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE MEAL

> RSVP by calling or emailing Alisa Gibson at 864-314-0510 or alisag@fpcandersonsc.com
> Payments can be made through Realm or by cash/check at pick-up. \$5 per person, \$25/family cap.

UPCOMING MEAL DATES:

Wednesday, February 3 Menu: Pork tenderloin, green beans, mac & cheese, roll, dessert

Wednesday, February 17 Menu: Special Youth Fundraiser Meal
Meal: Chicken Bog & dessert, RSVP will begin soon *Price TBA*

Details to come soon for: March 3, 17, 31 and April 14 & 24



FINANCES AS OF 12/31/2020:

Contribution Budget: \$966,013.19
Actual Contributions: \$949,180.90
Actual Expenses: \$888,034.95

Pick up your 2021 Offering Envelopes from the church office. Your continued financial support is appreciated.

Year-end statements for 2020 will be mailed out within the week.

Any questions, please contact **Emily Marr**, 225-2551 or emilym@fpcandersonsc.com