



HIGHLIGHTS

GROWING IN FAITH • SERVING IN LOVE • LIVING IN HOPE

Help Needed - Harvest Fair Clean Up - Sept. 13th

After the Harvest Fair sale, volunteers are needed to help tear down and clean up. If you have time on September 13th, please consider stopping by to help take down the fair and get the church ready for the busy fall season.

- 12 pm - 2 pm** Agency pickup
- 2 pm - 5 pm** Pack bins for Goodwill
- 4 pm - 7 pm** Clean Up the Church

Thank you to all the volunteers who have made this year's Harvest Fair possible.

Hope to see you at this last, much needed, volunteer opportunity!



Youth Group Back in Session

This Sunday, 9/13, is the first Youth Group of the new school year! Youth grades 6-12 looking for faith, fellowship, and fun are all invited! Contact Sam Harding with any questions (sam@fcpc.us).



All Church Picnic - September 20, 2026

Now that you've marked your calendars and plan to attend **The All Church Picnic on September 20 from 5-7 pm**, it's time to figure out what you can bring for this potluck dinner. (Please remember that there's no Steelers home game that day and their game time is at 1:00, so it should be over around 4:00). The Fellowship Team will provide chicken tenders, hot dogs, mac & cheese, and lemonade.

Based on the first letter of your last name, please plan to bring a serving to share with those in attendance.

A - H: salad | I - P: side dish | Q - Z: dessert

We look forward to seeing you. There will be games and fun activities for the kids!

Music Ministry

Fall Music Rehearsal Beginning! Come Make Music

- Chancel Choir First Rehearsal - Thursday September 17th 7:00pm
- Bell Choir First Rehearsal - Thursday September 17th 6:00pm
- Children's Choir First Rehearsal - Sunday September 20th 10:00am
- Cherub Choir First Rehearsal - Sunday September 20th 10:30am

Questions?

Contact S.C. Toe
at sc@fcpc.us
or just show up,
all are welcome!



Mission Ministry

Tennis Shoe Recycling

Collecting sneakers now through September 30

The Fox Chapel Garden Club is collecting used sneakers and putting them to good use via the Nike Reuse-A-Shoe Program. Donations are being collected in the large colorful recycling box in the Red Tile Area. Your old sneakers will be recycled and used to build tennis courts, playgrounds, and running tracks! Cleats cannot be accepted. Gently used sneakers will be donated to Second Harvest and The Free Store. Thank you for your help!

Questions? www.foxchapelgardenclub.org/Contact-us



Mission Fair — Sunday, October 4

Join us after worship on Sunday, October 4, for FCPC's Mission Fair! Come learn about over 20 of our mission partners, discover how they are serving our neighbors near and far, and explore ways you can get involved. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the many ways God is at work through our congregation and community. We hope to see you there!

Rise Against Hunger 2026

Oct. 10th | 9am | Fellowship Hall

It is that time of year again; time for us to team with our Mission Partners at Rise Against Hunger and provide 20,000 meals to needy souls around the world. Last year, the food purchased and packed by FCPC fed families in the Rift Valley in Burundi, a country in East Africa facing high levels of extreme poverty and food insecurity driven by internal conflicts destroying agriculture production and personal safety.

Our efforts for each of the past many years have enabled Rise to feed hungry, starving people. It is also a joy to engage with your fellow church members and enjoy this time serving others. Children, teens, and families are all welcome!

We will gather at FCPC on Saturday morning, October 10th in the Fellowship Hall as we have in past years. Set up is at 8am, and we start packing at 9am. It is incredible but we get this all completed and ready to ship by noon!!

Learn more about Rise Against Hunger's mission at <https://riseagainsthunger.org/>



Author Talks - An Evening with Alexander McCall Smith

Sept. 23 | 7 PM | Sanctuary

Riverstone Books and Mystery Lovers Bookshop present author Alexander McCall Smith. The master storyteller will entertain us with tales from his many series of books – stories of friendship and kindness that span the globe from Botswana to Edinburgh. Alexander will also be celebrating the publication of the latest No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency novel, *The Big Cats Dance Party*.

Registration is required for this event. Scan the QR code to get your tickets or visit:

www.eventbrite.com/e/an-evening-with-the-incomparable-alexander-mccall-smith-tickets-1993772451072



Children & Family Ministries (Infant-5th Grade)

We Need YOU!

Volunteer on Sunday mornings and make a difference for our kids!

The Sunday morning Kids' Church is in continued need of adult volunteers. Without enough volunteers each week, during each service, we will be forced to cancel due to the legality of an adult to student ratio. Signups are available for the entirety of 2026. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time!

We can't keep this essential program going without your help. As a volunteer, it's super easy and lots of fun—we handle all the planning. All that's needed is for you to join us during Kids' Church to help with a game or activity. Sign up today and let's make a difference together!

Scan the QR code or visit
<https://tinyurl.com/FCPCkidschurch>
to sign up.

Sign Up!!



FCPC Children Instagram Activity Page
@FCPC.CHILDREN
Parents of children
Follow us to stay in the loop!

CHERUB CHOIR



Who: Children 2 years to Kindergarten
When: Sundays starting September 20th
Time: 10:30-10:55am
Where: Kids Kingdom Basement Classroom # F302/304
Questions? claudia@fcpc.us

WNL WEEK NIGHT LIVE K-5

Fall Semester
5:30-7pm
Dinner Will Be Served!



9 / 22	11 / 3
9 / 29	11 / 10
10 / 6	11 / 17
10 / 13	11 / 24
10 / 20	12 / 8
10 / 27	

Children's Ministry Contacts

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Children's Program Coordinators

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FCPC Preschool

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Interested in having your preschooler join FCPC Preschool? Have questions about the enrollment process? Contact Karin Miller or the preschool office to schedule a tour!



Preschool Contacts

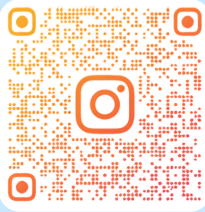
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Youth Ministry (Grades 6-12)



**FCPC Youth Instagram
Activity Page**

@FCPC.YOUTH

**Youth & Parents
Follow us to stay in the loop!**



EVERY SUNDAY

Grade 6-12

BACK TO YOUTH GROUP

2 PM - 3:30 PM

STARTS SEPTEMBER 13th

TEEN BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAYS 7:15-9 PM

BIBS

BOOKS OF ESTHER & DANIEL

STARTS SEPTEMBER 22

SIGN UP HERE

MUST SIGN UP TO ENSURE YOU RECEIVE A BOOK!

DIRECTLY AFTER WEEKNIGHT LIVE

**MISSION TRIP
INFORMATIONAL MEETING**

OCT. 15TH, 2026 @ 6:30 PM

YOUTH LOUNGE

YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP

JULY 18 - JULY 23, 2027

NIAGARA FALLS, NY

SAVE THE DATE

\$200

MUD LAURELVILLE WEEKEND

MIDDLE SCHOOL: NOVEMBER 13TH

HIGH SCHOOL: DECEMBER 11TH

FRIDAY NIGHT - SUNDAY AFTERNOON

LAURELVILLE RETREAT CENTER

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!

ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT SAM AT SAM@FCPC.US

**DISCOVER THE MEANING,
PURPOSE, AND POWER OF
CONFIRMATION**

7TH GRADE +

**PARENT & STUDENT
INFORMATION SESSION**

9/24 7:30-9:00 PM

STUDENT CLASSES

FIRST THURSDAY EVERY MONTH

7:30-9:00 PM

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GriefShare Group - Fall Session

Thursdays | Sep 17 - Dec 17 | 9:30 - 11:30 AM | Chapel

GriefShare is a grief support group led by trained lay leaders from FCPC that have been called to this compassionate ministry to people from our congregation and community that are grieving the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend.



The goal of this group is to provide a Christ-centered, safe, welcoming place where people can come together to talk about their loss with others that are walking a similar journey. This 13-week group uses videos, workbook exercises, and in person discussion to work through common grief topics, providing tools and resources that are helpful in healing after a loss.

Sign up at <https://find.griefshare.org/groups/296301> or by scanning the QR code.

Questions? Reach out to Gail Harger at gailharger@verizon.net.

Prayer Requests of the Congregation

We hold these friends in prayer:

- Laurie Kassim
- Jim Eisengart
- Marilyn Lese, mother of Kim Bartolacci
- Jim Coyne, family of Marti White & Matt Scott
- Joan Wildpret and Carole B.
- Michael Ovcharenko
- Dom Lettrich
- Steff and Joe Koster, friends of Lili Rosenthal
- Laurie Bean, mother of Matthew Bean
- Nancy, friend of Judy Leininger
- Barbara McQuaid, friend of Shirley Phillis
- Margaret Shields
- John Young
- Jenna Rodrigues
- Bill & Emy Boag

We pray for peace, aid, and consolation for all who suffer, including:

- For people affected by immigration policy.
- For safety to those traveling.
- For all facing economic uncertainty and food insecurity.
- For addicts in our community to heal and recover.
- The people of Iran, Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Haiti, Sudan, Venezuela, and places in conflict, violence, and hunger.
- Refugees throughout the world.
- For our republic.

We pray for Local Congregations:

- Bidwell Street United Presbyterian Church
- Bower hill Community Church
- Brentwood presbyterian Church

*Prayer requests will be publicly listed for one month. Please re-submit your request if you would like to renew after a month.
Requests made before end of day Wednesday will be published in the Sunday prayer list.*

Birthdays

SEPT 13 Dave Clements, Geoff Dutelle, Tyler Jacobs, Aniko Nalevanko, Joseph Rattner, Kurt Simmonds, Hannah Smith, Emma Thompson

SEPT 14 Kara Brown, Katie Chivinsky, Millie Gourley, Judi Juselius, Lynn Rueter, Brooke Thiele

SEPT 15 Annalese Bartolacci, Kelsey Delaney, Erin Mathias, Dominic Scanga

SEPT 16 Kathleen Krebs, Jaye Tupponce

SEPT 17 Megan Wilson

SEPT 18 Charlie Friend, Brandon Jewart, Katie Sipe, David Yanchik

SEPT 19 Maggie Carter, Cindy Lucas



This Week at FCPC

SUN SEPT 13

10 AM One Service Sunday (On the Lawn),
Kids' Church (Youth Lounge), Nursery (Kids
Kingdom)

MON SEPT 14

9 AM Preschool
7 PM Fellowship Committee (Lounge)
7 PM Mission Committee (Library)

TUE SEPT 15

8 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast (Lounge)
9 AM Preschool
6:30 PM Finance Committee (Chapel)

WED SEPT 16

9 AM Preschool
9:30 AM Staff Devotions & Meeting (Library)
10 AM Disciple Bible Study (Chapel)
7 PM Preschool Committee (Library)
7 PM Women's Bible Study (Chapel)

THU SEPT 17

9 AM Preschool
9:30 AM GriefShare (Chapel)
6 PM Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
7 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

FRI SEPT 18

9 AM Preschool

SAT SEPT 19

SUN SEPT 20

8:15 AM Cup & Loaf Service (Chapel)
9:30 AM Contemporary Service (Fellowship Hall),
Kids' Church (Youth Lounge), Nursery (Kids
Kingdom)
10:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
10:30 AM Cherub Choir Rehearsal (Kids Kingdom
Classroom 302/304)
11 AM Traditional Service (Sanctuary), Kids'
Church (Youth Lounge), Nursery (Kids Kingdom)
2 PM Youth Group (Youth Lounge)
5 PM All Church Picnic (Fellowship Hall)

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Giving

Online Giving

Now using giving platform, PushPay.
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+ Text the word GIVE
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*As a PCUSA church, we welcome all persons who
trust in God's grace in Jesus Christ and desire to
become part of the fellowship and ministry of his
Church. The Gospel leads our members to extend
the fellowship of Christ to all persons.
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