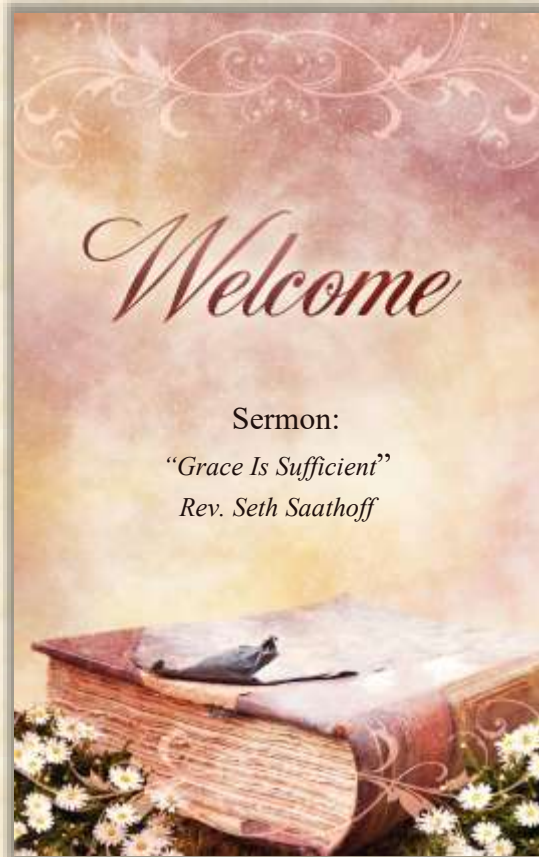


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First Presbyterian Church of Conroe Welcomes You!



Visitors and Guests: We are excited you have chosen to worship with us today! As a small token of our appreciation, we invite you to stop by the Welcome Desk in the narthex to pick up a complimentary FPC Conroe bookmark and a church brochure. We hope to see you again soon!

If you are interested in learning more about our church, or wish to become active in our ministry teams and activities, please visit our website at [fpcConroe.org](http://fpcConroe.org). There you can fill out the visitor form online, or you can do so now by visiting our welcome desk. We appreciate you joining us for services today.

*~ Good Things to Know ~*

***Today's Worship Leader***

*Sean Morton*

***Today's Flowers***

*Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by Pat Hudson,  
in honor of his and Mary's 64<sup>th</sup> anniversary.*

***Last Week's Attendance, May 3***

*8:30 a.m. Worship Service - 11*

*11:00 a.m. Worship Service - 127*

*Online Worship Attendance - 14*

***Total Attendance – 152***

## **8:30 A.M. WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION**

### *Preparing to Receive God's Word*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Shout for joy to God, all the earth! Glorify Him with your praise!  
Everything on earth will worship You; they will sing Your praises,  
shouting Your name in joyful songs.

Come and see what our God has done, what awesome things He has  
done for us!

Let the whole world bless our God and sing His praise. For our lives  
are in His hands, and He keeps our feet from stumbling.

\*Hymn #376

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,  
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,  
All Thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,  
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;  
Visit us with Thy salvation,  
Enter every trembling heart.

2. Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit  
Into every troubled breast!  
Let us all in Thee inherit,  
Let us find the promised rest;  
Take away the love of sinning;  
Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its beginning,  
Set our hearts at liberty.

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3. Come, Almighty to deliver,  
Let us all Thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never,  
Nevermore Thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing,  
Serve Thee as Thy hosts above;  
Pray, and praise Thee without ceasing,  
Glory in Thy perfect love.

\*Call to Confession

\*Silent Prayer of Confession

\*Assurance of Pardon

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Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

**Because of Christ's great love for us, we are forgiven!**

\*Gloria Patri

### The Word

Scripture Readings

Psalm 66:8-20; Acts 17:22-34

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

**"Grace Is Sufficient"**

*Rev. Seth Saathoff*

## *Responding to God's Word*

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayers of the People

**The Lord's Prayer**

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn #145

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

1. Rejoice ye pure in heart!  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!  
Your festal banner wave on high,  
The cross of Christ your King.

Refrain:

Rejoice! rejoice! rejoice,  
Give thanks, and sing!

2. Yes, on through life's long path,  
Still chanting as ye go;  
From youth to age, by night and day,  
In gladness and in woe. (Refrain)

4. Then on, ye pure in heart!  
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\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

# 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

## Preparing to Receive God's Word

Opening Music

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

*Reign in Us*

*Neufeld/Glovet*

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\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

Loving God, in Jesus Christ You offer life and love to the world and to its people.

Forgive us, we pray, when we think only of our own needs and desires and live our lives only for ourselves. Forgive us for when we seek love from others but do not return the favor.

Help us to hear Your transforming love speaking to us of respect, dignity and worth, telling us that we are loved and that we are to love one another.

In the knowledge of this love, work through us to bring Your justice and healing to the world, in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of Christ. Amen.

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Minute for Mission

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication **and the Lord's Prayer**

\*Choral Response

The Word

**Children's Time**

Anthem

*I Could Not Do Without Thee*

Curry

Scripture Reading

Psalms 66:8-20

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

\*Hymn #263

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.
  
3. To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;  
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;  
We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,  
Then wither and perish; but naught changeth Thee.
  
4. Thou reignest in glory, Thou rulest in light,  
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render; O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

Scripture Reading

Acts 17:22-34

Sermon

**"Grace Is Sufficient"**

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## Responding to God's Word

Affirmation of Faith

*(The Apostles' Creed)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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\*Charge and Benediction

\*Choral Response

How Marvelous Are the Works

He alone is the King of kings,  
He rules Lord of all.

How marvelous are the works of the Lord,  
how excellent are His ways.  
How wonderful is His glory and fame,  
ever the same, great is the name of the Lord;  
is His glory and fame, ever the same,  
great is the name of the Lord.  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

\*Postlude

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## ***This Week's Scripture Readings***

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### Psalm 66:8-20

- <sup>8</sup> Praise our God, all peoples,  
let the sound of his praise be heard;
- <sup>9</sup> he has preserved our lives  
and kept our feet from slipping.
- <sup>10</sup> For you, God, tested us;  
you refined us like silver.
- <sup>11</sup> You brought us into prison  
and laid burdens on our backs.
- <sup>12</sup> You let people ride over our heads;  
we went through fire and water,  
but you brought us to a place of abundance.
- <sup>13</sup> I will come to your temple with burnt offerings  
and fulfill my vows to you—
- <sup>14</sup> vows my lips promised and my mouth spoke  
when I was in trouble.
- <sup>15</sup> I will sacrifice fat animals to you  
and an offering of rams;  
I will offer bulls and goats.
- <sup>16</sup> Come and hear, all you who fear God;  
let me tell you what he has done for me.
- <sup>17</sup> I cried out to him with my mouth;  
his praise was on my tongue.
- <sup>18</sup> If I had cherished sin in my heart,  
the Lord would not have listened;
- <sup>19</sup> but God has surely listened  
and has heard my prayer.
- <sup>20</sup> Praise be to God,  
who has not rejected my prayer  
or withheld his love from me!

## Acts 17:22-34

<sup>22</sup> Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: **“People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious.** <sup>23</sup> For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: to an unknown god. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.

<sup>24</sup> **“The God who made the world and everything in it** is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. <sup>25</sup> And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. <sup>26</sup> From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. <sup>27</sup> God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. <sup>28</sup> **‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’** As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’

<sup>29</sup> **“Therefore since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that** the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. <sup>30</sup> In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. <sup>31</sup> For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. **He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.”**

<sup>32</sup> When they heard about the resurrection of the dead, some of **them sneered, but others said, “We want to hear you again on this subject.”** <sup>33</sup> At that, Paul left the Council. <sup>34</sup> Some of the people became followers of Paul and believed. Among them was Dionysius, a member of the Areopagus, also a woman named Damaris, and a number of others.

# Notes



*Happy Mother's Day*



## ***Mother's Day Brunch Today***

We'll be serving Mother's Day Brunch from 9:00 a.m. - 10:40 a.m. in the FLC. For those who want to make sure they don't miss out on Sunday School, we'll have Youth coming around with a food & beverage cart, delivering plates for those in Sunday School.

*New Summer Service Schedule Begins May 24<sup>th</sup>*

**Please make note that next Sunday, May 17, will be last Sunday that we'll be having an 8:30 a.m. worship service. Our 11:00 service will be our only Sunday service through the end of summer.**

## *Serve Our Neighbor Day*

Serve our Neighbor day is quickly approaching on May 16<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Our projects are at Hope Resale, Bristol Memory Center, Women's Center of Conroe, Compassion United Homeless hygiene packs, and helping members of the congregation at their homes. We could still use additional help and today is our last day to sign up for projects, so please consider helping out in this community activity.

## *Animal Crocheting Classes May 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>*

The animal crocheting classes will be held the first and third Sunday of the month, which will be May 3 and 17, at 12:30 p.m. Feel free to call Kaleigh at (713) 582-4804 if you have any questions or need child care.

## *Members of Armed Services Photos*

The Worship Committee is requesting photos of your loved ones that have **served, or who are presently serving, in our nation's armed services. Please** send your photos to Randy Blanton at [randyblanton@yahoo.com](mailto:randyblanton@yahoo.com) in .jpg format, and include the name, branch of service, rank, and years of service. The photos of the men and women who have served, and have passed, will be streamed on May 24, 2026.

## *Recognition of Linda Terbl*

Today we'd like to recognize Linda Terbl for 20+ years of service to the nursery at FPC. Linda is a mother of 3 daughters and a grandmother to 8 active grandchildren. **She's always** headed to the next game, practice, or awards ceremony to support them. But she has supported numerous children over the years, from participating in a neighborhood babysitters club, to hosting a home day care while her own girls were little, to teaching in the preschool at West Conroe Baptist Church. She has a heart for service and a great big heart for children.



**When she's not working or spending time with her family, she enjoys manicuring** her yard, nursing her plants, and watching the birds. She even found a new roommate when she welcomed Laney the doodle into her busy life.

Thank you Linda for giving 20+ years to nurture FPC kids alongside all your loved little ones.



### ***June is Men's Health Month***

**Men's health is a family matter. This is why** First Presbyterian Church Conroe **is hosting Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive** health screenings on Friday, June 19, 2026. The screenings provided focus on vascular disease, a leading cause of illness and disability among men.

Screenings are fast, painless and affordable. Three key tests check for blocked carotid arteries, an irregular heart rhythm called atrial fibrillation, and high blood pressure, which are the three leading risk factors for stroke.

Other tests check for abdominal aortic aneurysms and hardening of the arteries in the legs. A bone density screening to assess osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women. Many events also offer blood tests, including cholesterol, glucose and c-reactive protein screenings, as well as take-home colon cancer early detection tests.

For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call 1-844-591-7160 or go to <https://lisa.social/HC> or text the word "**circle**" to 216-279-1607. Pre-registration is required.

## Calendar of Weekly Events

<p><i>Sunday</i> <i>May 10</i></p>	<p>8:30 a.m. Worship with Communion (Sanctuary)</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Bereans Sunday School Class with Bob Shepherd <b>(Rm. 105) Paul's uplifting letter to the church at Philippi.</b></p> <p>9:30 a.m. Fellowship Class (Rm. 204) Studying "1 &amp; 2 Peter", by Max Lucado, taught by Deborah Geddes, Glenna Lang and Glenn Elms.</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Exploring Our Faith with Susan Buckley (Rm. 206)</p> <p><b>9:30 a.m. Seekers' Bible Study with Randy Blanton</b> (Library) <b>Paul's Letter to the Romans on Sunday (Contact Randy Blanton to join by Zoom).</b></p> <p><b>9:30 a.m. FPC Kids' Sunday School</b> (Rm. 203)</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Fellowship (Narthex)</p> <p>10:35 a.m. Praise band (Sanctuary)</p> <p>11:00 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary and Facebook Live <a href="http://www.com/fpcConroe">www.com/fpcConroe</a> or YouTube.com/fpcConroe)</p> <p>12:30 p.m. Animal Crocheting class (Rm. 105)</p> <p><b>4:00 p.m. "A Year Through the Bible" Study</b> (Rm. 105)</p> <p>5:00-7:00 p.m. The Spark (Gym) <b>WILL NOT MEET TODAY</b></p>
<p><i>Monday</i> <i>May 11</i></p>	<p>1:30 p.m. Monday Bible Study (Parlor)</p>
<p><i>Tuesday</i> <i>May 12</i></p>	<p>10:00 a.m. Ruth Circle (Parlor)</p> <p>5:15 p.m. Lydia Circle (Youth area)</p>
<p><i>Wednesday</i> <i>May 13</i></p>	<p>9:30 a.m. Martha Circle (Parlor)</p> <p>4:00 p.m. Small Group Study (Parlor)</p> <p>5:45 p.m. Handbells Practice (Sanctuary)</p> <p>7:00-8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Choir Room)</p>
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## Save the Date

May 16	Serve Our Neighbor Day
May 17	Senior Sunday
May 24	Pentecost / Resume Summer Service Schedule
May 25	Memorial Day (FPC office closed)
June 14-20	Youth Mission Trip

## Prayer List

Members: Susan Juhl, Cindy and Ron Massey, John Gutekunst, James Dopp, Ron Bailey, Marcia Park and family, Steve and Connie Tibbetts, Jean Heasley, Fred Kate, Sylvia Dopp, Roy Kessler, Ruth Masters, Jeannene Wendt, Reed Watson, John Lancaster, Kari Elliott, Tildon Hebert, Alice Helms, Jean Ball, Mary Hudson, Paul Ivison, Virginia Olivier

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Administration	Cheryl Nichols (2027, Chair) Matthew Laletas (2028)
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