



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 19, 2025

Youth Bake Sale

Our Surrender Youth Worship Team is raising funds to attend Montreat Youth Conference this summer, and they need your support.

This morning, in the Welcome Center, they are holding a Bake Sale full of homemade goodies made with love. Every cookie, cupcake, and brownie helps us grow in faith and fellowship as we prepare for an amazing week at Montreat. (Donations will be accepted.)

Church Tour

If you have ever looked at the announcements and wondered where a room was located, this is for you. We will be giving tours of the church today at 11:30 am. Meet in the library and take a walk with us.

Missionary Visit

One of FPC's sponsored missionaries, Lisa Alfonsi, will be with us in services next Sunday, Oct. 26.

Lisa and her husband, Clever, along with their son, Kaleb, live and serve in Lima, Peru. They work under the leadership of the Camino de Vida church. Through the church, Lisa leads the special needs area, which she initiated and created. The area serves children ages 1-13 with special needs.

She will be meeting with the congregation at lunch following the 10:30 am services in Room A. A pizza lunch will be provided. Be sure to join us and learn more about our missionaries.

Kirkin' of the Tartans

Kirkin' of the Tartans is a time to bless all families and to celebrate our Scottish heritage. We will be holding our annual Kirkin' of the Tartans on Sunday, Oct. 26 in the 10:30 am Classic service.

The word 'kirk' means 'church' in Scottish, and when presented as 'kirkin,' it means blessing. Wear your best plaid and get ready for the bagpipes and fun in this special service.

This year, we will have 18 families represented with their family banners. To learn more, go to the FPC website and click 'News and Events' at the top right.

Third Annual Chili Cookoff

It's almost that time again! Does your chili recipe have what it takes to win over the crowd? Team sign-ups are being held today in the Welcome Center.

The Cookoff will be held Sunday, Nov. 9 at 4:30 pm in Loudon Hall, and it's going to be an afternoon of great food and friendly competition. Get those recipes ready & sign your team up today.

Important Dates

SEU String Orchestra | Oct. 26 | 3 pm | Sanctuary | Free

Buddy Break | Nov. 8 | 10 am | Room 111

Bach Festival Choir | Nov. 9 | 3 pm | Sanctuary | Free

Thanksgiving in a Bag | Nov. 9 - 16 | Details to come

New Member Orientation | Nov. 9 | 9:15 am | Library

Rooted in Faith, Growing for our Future

As of Oct. 15, we have 130 commitments (representing 202 people) to our Rooted in Faith annual giving emphasis. This number equates to 19% of our active members. Thus far, we have received \$1,176,182 in commitments toward our approximately \$3 million budget.

Our Growing for our Future capital campaign has received 111 commitments (representing 182 people) which equates to 17.1% of our congregation.

The total dollar amount committed for the Growing for our Future campaign is \$1,612,102.

Our goals go beyond meeting the 2026 budget and reaching the \$2 million goal for the growth of our Next Gen spaces. We're praying for something deeper - for every member to participate. Each commitment, no matter the size, is a reflection of your spiritual journey and your shared commitment to what God is doing through First Presbyterian Church.

For current information on classes and groups, please see our website - www.fpclakeland.org.



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