

This week at FPC August 19—August 25, 2021

Here we are in the ‘dog days of summer,’ which is really back-to-school time with all that implies and a fall full of possibilities. I watched the students from the Osceola Middle School walking to their parents’ cars by the church; they are chatting, smiling.

When we were younger we had lots of changes: new teachers, new friends, a whole curriculum of new things to learn, and we took it in stride and even looked forward to new things. The older I get the harder it is to handle changes. I like what I like and don’t need too many new things. As we live in these

‘Dog Days’ and look towards the fall, with new news of COVID-19 delta and lots of uncertainty I’m trying to be more like the middle schoolers embracing change and looking forward to a new experiences.

Note that plans are underway for a new adult Sunday school class at 9am beginning after Labor Day and a full fall of Presbyterian Women, choir, bell choir, and much more. Our Youth Group kicks off with a pool party on Sunday. Let’s all adjust, change, and try to be like the smiling middle schoolers who do something new every day!
 Walk Jones



New Sunday Morning Bible Study

It’s been a long time since there has been a Sunday morning Bible study... February or March of last year. Beginning September 12 from 9:00-9:50 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall we will begin a 7-week look at “What Christians Believe and Why” using the Apostles’ Creed and our Bibles to better understand why

the Apostles’ Creed has been used in church worship services worldwide for centuries. Dale Ambler, retired Presbyterian pastor and relatively new to the Ocala area and our church, will be facilitating this discussion group with an emphasis on letting God lead all who participate in understanding and thinking more deeply about the 110 words that are a regular part of our worship.

Like our Sunday morning worship service, **we will be wearing masks** in the Fellowship Hall for this discussion group in order to maintain the safety of those present. So, here is your checklist of what to bring for Sunday, September 12 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall: *Mask *Pencil or Pen *Bible

The Nominating Committee is seeking candidates for the office of Elder and Deacon. Elders are leaders of the church who are persons of faith, dedication and good judgement and have the responsibility for the life of the church. Deacons minister to those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to any who may be in distress. If you or someone you know is interested in serving as an Elder or a Deacon, please contact that person first to ensure their interest. Then contact Peggy Wiechmann, chairperson of the committee, to have that person considered by the committee. Call 231-881-3435 or bpwiech@gmail.com.

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YOUTH GROUP IS BACK AND WE'RE CELEBRATING WITH A

Pool Party!

Sunday, August 22
 The Albright's House
 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
 Join us for food, games, and fun!

CALL OR TEXT CASEY WITH ANY QUESTIONS AND TO GET THE ADDRESS
 352-234-4137



Our Handbell Choir rehearsal is scheduled to begin again on Wednesday, August 25 from 6:1 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. (please wear a mask). Contact Phyllis Von Ebers for information – phyllisvonebers@yahoo.com.

Chancel choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, August 25 from 5:30 pm to 6:15 pm in the Sanctuary. Please wear a face mask. Contact Phyllis Von Ebers for more information at phyllisvonebers@yahoo.com.

PRAYER LIST

Claudia Markham-Ahl
Wilma Andrews (at home)
Bill Canganelli (grandson of Pat Bishop)
Andy Carlisle
Shirley Cochran
Adele Evans (friend of Richard Grosso)
Maranell Fleming
Ruth Fraser (The Bridge at Ocala)
Hendley Fuseler (great-nephew of Joseph Pickard)
Norma Giles
Hope Hill (friend of Richard Grosso)
Mark Heuer (son-in-law of Julia Wirono)
Jolene Kai (Ginny Miller’s daughter-in-law)
Janice Kelly
Scott Kinnaugh (son of Dorothy Siemons)
Jerry Lance (on death of his wife Kathy)
Lois Lance (on the death of her daughter-in-law Kathy)
Renate Lipp (friend of Nita William)
Celine Mack

Judith Martin (visitor)
Eric Masterson (brother-in-law of Deb Cone)
Skip McDonald
Ron McMillin
Bob Mikulski (friend of Dale & Tari Ambler receiving cancer treatments)
Gloria Miller
Rita Miller
Kathy Mortensen (sister of Sharon Shirley)
Chuck Opitz
Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)
Janie Scott
Debbie Tompkins (sister of Rusty Juergens)
The Tucker family (on the death of Marilyn)
Ann VanDenburgh
Richard and Sandy Valvo
Paul Vowinkel (on the death of his father, Charles)
Erv Wagner (brother of Lois Dolin)
Larry and Lisa Waldren



FPC gives thanks for the life of Marilyn Tucker who passed away August 13, 2021.

With believers of every time and every place, we rejoice that nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

This Week’s Daily Bible Readings

Sustained by God’s Life-Giving Word of Promise					
			Sunday	August 22	Joshua 22:10-34
Thursday	Aug 19	Deuteronomy 30:1-20	Monday	August 23	Joshua 23:1-16
Friday	Aug 20	Joshua 6:1-27	Tuesday	August 24	Joshua 24:1-18
Saturday	Aug 21	Joshua 21: 43-22:9	Wednesday	August 25	Joshua 24:19-33