

This week at FPC July 1—July 7, 2021

Dear Friends,

I hope you are planning for a safe and patriotic way to celebrate Independence Day this weekend. Since the 4th falls on Sunday, we will be making an extra effort to worship God in a way that will glorify God and serve as a remembrance for us as a people who value the freedom God has given us. I am reminded today of the tombstone of Thomas Jefferson which reads thusly:

*Here was buried
Thomas Jefferson
Author of the Declaration of American Independence
of the Statute of Virginia for religious freedom
& Father of the University of Virginia*



After your daily devotional, I would urge you to read both the Declaration as well as the Statute of Virginia for Religious Freedom as a way to celebrate our independence from tyranny.

On another note: are you having trouble finding an accurate address for another member of FPC? Are you using an old directory? If you have a smartphone, I would urge you to download "Instant Church Directory." That way, you will always have updated addresses (or at least, the ones that we have at church). Call the office, and we will help you get Instant Church Directory working on your phone. If computers and smart phones are not your thing, you can always call the office Monday-Thursday between 9-4, and we will be happy to get you the latest addresses of your fellow Presbyterians. You may also request a new paper directory any time. (We publish these on an ongoing basis rather than an annual basis). Please call ahead of time so you don't have to wait. Sometimes, we are running long print jobs. By calling ahead, we will have the very latest directory prepared and waiting for you upon your arrival.

Happy 4th of July! Ron



**The church office will be closed
Monday, July 5th
in observance of July 4th.**



We want to warmly welcome new members,
Joe and Cheryl Lara, to our church!

They joined on June 27, 2021 by Reaffirmation
of Faith. Watch for more information on
Joe and Cheryl in the August Spire.
We are so happy you have joined us!

We Need Your Help to rearrange flowers right after worship on Sundays. These smaller bouquets will be delivered to our homebound members. Please contact Evelyn Longo at 352-509-5179 for more information.

SERMON BY PHONE (352) 342-9814 - New sermons each Monday

PRAYER LIST

Claudia Markham-Ahl
Wilma Andrews (at home)
Roger Brandt
Bill Canganelli (grandson of Pat Bishop)
Andy Carlisle
Ellen Drummond (in hospice)
Shirley Cochran
Stewart Edwards (son-in-law of Julia Wirono)
Ruth Fraser (recovering from shoulder surgery)
Hope Hill (friend of Richard Grosso)
Jolene Kai (Ginny Miller's daughter-in-law)
Janice Kelly (recovering from hip surgery)
Scott Kinnaugh (Dorothy Siemons' son)
Ken Kramer (brother-in-law of Evelyn Longo)
Kathy Lance (daughter-in-law of Lois Lance)
Lois Lance
Walter Laseter
Grietje Lewis
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)
Gloria Miller
Rita Miller
Kathy Mortensen (sister of Sharon Shirley)
Chuck Opitz
Joseph Pickard (heart surgery)
Fritz Rains and family
(friends of Mary Beth Olson)
Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)
Janie Scott
Debbie Tompkins (sister of Rusty Juergens)
Ann VanDenburgh
Kim Vollmer Smith and Rose Wilke
(on the death of their brother)
Erv Wagner (brother of Lois Dolin)
Larry and Lisa Waldren

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

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<i>Sustained by God's Life-Giving Word of Faith</i>			Sunday	July 4	Hebrews 9:23—10:18
Thursday	July 1	Hebrews 7:15-28	Monday	July 5	Hebrews 10:19-39
Friday	July 2	Hebrews 8:1-13	Tuesday	July 6	Hebrews 11:1-21
Saturday	July 3	Hebrews 9:1-22	Wednesday	July 7	Hebrews 11:22-40