

This Week at FPC

May 14—May 20, 2020

Dear Friends in Christ:

Over the last seven weeks I've learned that First Presbyterian is a loving church with many interesting people. I now facilitate the Griefshare group, which is now meeting online. Over the next week I hope to facilitate more church classes and groups by the Zoom app as we look to the day it is appropriate for ten, then fifty, then more to gather together again. Watch this space for news from our Session, but expect our leaders to be conservative in our approach to gathering.

In a Wednesday devotional I said that I've written letters in this time of isolation. It feels good to reach out to other people and touch them with a note, a text, an email or a call. I really like this idea and want to encourage you to do it too. Who can you contact this weekend or next week? Who would benefit from a kind word or a funny thought? Who would you like to hear from? One way to begin a conversation is to begin it.

Hopefully each of us in the church can reach out this week: to family, a church member, a neighbor, or someone across the world. By the magic of email we don't have to wait a long time to hear from a pen pal far away. We are also re-discovering the fun of phone conversations.

This week my devotional was about our fears; thank you for your feedback that it was helpful. View it on the church website or YouTube channel, just like Sunday worship. (Nancy and find this worship meaningful and sing along and say the prayers, even when I'm leading on the screen.) If you are not able to get these online, or want to hear them by phone please call your Deacon or me. My direct phone is 407-212-513.

Grace and Peace, Walk

Griefshare

Our Griefshare group is meeting online now and is always open for new members. If you are grieving, or you know of someone who is, we are meeting by Zoom (or phone) each Friday at 10:30am. Join us now or when a new cycle of sessions starts June 26. Call the church office or email Rev. Jones (wjones@fpcocala.org) for information and a zoom link or phone number.

Online Giving is now available on our website: FPCOCALA.org - on the homepage choose the GIVE tab.

PRAYER LIST

Debbie Ault (on the death of her husband Tom)	Celine Mack
Jim Bennett (brother of John Bennett)	Skip McDonald
Pam Butcher	Wendie Moore (on the death of her sister)
Andy Carlisle	Jessie Moseley
Sara Chey, Brenda Jones and family	Sue Murphy (on the death of her husband, Jerry)
Shirley Cochran	Raul Nieves (brother of Mina DiGeronimo)
Stewart and Diane Edwards	Joseph Pickard (on the death of his brother)
Phoebe Escobar (sister of Evelyn Longo)	Greg Robinson (brother of Carolyn Varner)
Hank and Maranell Fleming	Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)
Bill Green (friend of Richard Grosso)	The Schafer family (on the death of Janice)
Barbara Gowie	Deloris, Steve and Keith Shotwell
Dick Hancock	Larry Sprowles
Johnie Johnson (son of Tommy Johnson)	Baldwin Switzer (on deployment with the Navy)
Ken Kramer (brother-in-law of Evelyn Longo)	Howard Tucker
Kathy Lance (daughter-in-law of Lois Lance)	Evelyn Weaver (on the death of her sister and niece)
Lois Lance	Nancy Wells (daughter of Shirley Wells)
Grietje Lewis	Jill Hester Whitaker
Renate Lipp (friend of Nita William)	Bo Williams and family (on the death of beloved Sally)
Kevin Lloyd (cousin of Lee Ann Drake)	Nancy Wollett

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

<i>Sustained by God's Life-Giving Word of Faith</i>					
			Sunday	May 17	2 Corinthians 2:5-17
Thursday	May 14	1 Corinthians 10:14-11:1	Monday	May 18	2 Corinthians 3:1-18
Friday	May 15	1 Corinthians 16:1-24	Tuesday	May 19	2 Corinthians 4:1-15
Saturday	May 16	2 Corinthians 1:1-11	Wednesday	May 20	2 Corinthians 4:16-5:10