

This Week at FPC

May 7—May 13, 2020

Dear Friends in Christ,

After its meeting Tuesday night, the session determined that the church will not reopen for worship services at this time. The session did not set a date for reopening, but did decide that we will meet again to discuss the situation as it evolves. We did receive a plan by the worship committee for what opening might look like when we get the opportunity. When the decision to reopen is made, we will let you know. It is a privilege for me to work with a talented and Christ-committed staff to worship with you virtually every week on YouTube. I am thankful for those you see on screen and those working behind the scenes. We will continue to produce our virtual worship service for the time being.

Like you, we, your church staff, want to go back to having church in person. When we do go back, we will welcome our new choir director, bell director, and children's choir director, Phyllis Von Ebers. Her selection by the music search committee was confirmed by the session this week. We will be introducing Phyllis soon. You may know her as the keyboard player in the contemporary service! She will begin her work when we add volunteer groups (choir, bell choir, etc.) back into worship.

Online giving has been approved by the session and is online today. You may still mail in pledges or drop them off at the church office through the mail slot if you wish.

Once again, I ask you to go to our YouTube web page and subscribe. Just search First Presbyterian Church Ocala YouTube, click on the church icon and click subscribe. That way, whenever a new video is made, it will come straight to you. You may also continue to access our programs through the website. Do whatever works best for you!

"Be strong and of good courage. Fear not nor be dismayed, for the Lord God is with you!" -Joshua 1:9

Peace to All, Ron

**Online Giving is now available on our website: FPCOCALA.org
Just go on the homepage and choose the GIVE tab.**

PRAYER LIST

Debbie Ault (on the death of her husband Tom)	Kevin Lloyd (cousin of Lee Ann Drake)
Jim and Jane Bennett (brother and sister-in-law of John Bennett)	Celine Mack
Pam Butcher	Skip McDonald
Andy Carlisle	Laura Moore and her parents, Bruce and Wendie
Sara Chey, Brenda Jones and family	Jessie Moseley
Shirley Cochran	Sue Murphy (on the death of her husband, Jerry)
Stewart and Diane Edwards	Raul Nieves (brother of Mina DiGeronimo)
Phoebe Escobar (sister of Evelyn Longo)	Zach Pagels (on the death of his grandfather)
Hank and Maranell Fleming	Joseph Pickard (on the death of his brother)
Bill Green (friend of Richard Grosso)	Greg Robinson (brother of Carolyn Varner)
Deleah Gomez (granddaughter of Tola Hass)	Michael Rou (cousin of Dr. David Albright)
Barbara Gowie	Janice Schafer (hospitalized)
Dick Hancock	Deloris, Steve and Keith Shotwell
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)
	Nancy Wollett

This Week's Daily Bible Readings

<i>Sustained by God's Life-Giving Word of Faith</i>					
			Sunday	May 10	Hebrews 12:12-29
Thursday	May 7	Hebrews 11:1-22	Monday	May 11	Hebrews 13:1-25
Friday	May 8	Hebrews 11:23-40	Tuesday	May 12	1 Corinthians 9:1-27
Saturday	May 9	Hebrews 12:1-11	Wednesday	May 13	1 Corinthians 10:1-13