

May 2024

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Pastoral Reflection

Jeremiah 29:11 states *“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”*

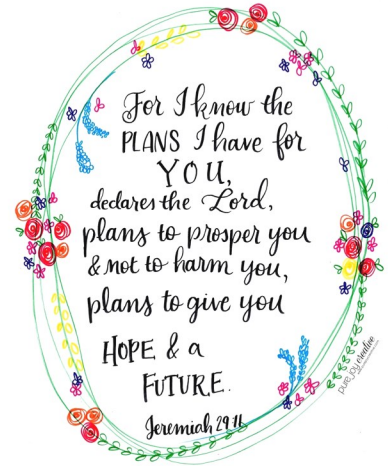
This passage reminds us that even in the midst of change and uncertainty God is there.

Change is part of the reality and rhythm of life. Life’s seasons come and go; the tides of the oceans ebb and flow. These moments of coming and going shape us. Change can be scary, but change also helps us grow. Think about your own life. You are not the same at seven, seventeen, or seventy. We learn as we grow and change throughout life. I might want to be twenty-seven or seventeen again, but I’d like to keep some of the life lessons I’ve learned over the years.

Change can also be an opportunity to start anew and to become a better version of ourselves. Without change we would be stuck in a cycle or loop that never ends. If we get mired in doing things the way we’ve always done it and that becomes our primary focus, we might miss out on the beauty of transformation and the chance to discover who God is calling us to be. So let’s try to embrace change.

God has a plan to help us become better and stronger disciples and a plan that will give us hope and a future. May we trust God’s goodness and sovereignty as we navigate the ups and downs of life.

Pastor Julie



May Opportunities for Worship & Fellowship:

Sunday School: 8:30 a.m.
via Zoom (see page 2 for meeting ID and passcode)

All Worship Services in May will be held at The First Presbyterian Church at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, May 5: Taco luncheon hosted by the Deacons of FPC (more details on page 2)

Services in June will be held at East Side Presbyterian Church at 10:30 a.m.

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SATELLITES

We are going to Van Ness's Time Out on May 8th at 11:30 am. You can call or text Diane Bascone @ 419.680.0190 to RSVP or for directions. Bring a friend!



Happy Mother's Day!



TACO LUNCHEON

Join the Deacons of the First Presbyterian Church in celebrating God's generous bounty with a taco meal after church on Sunday, May 5th at FPC. Bring only your appetite, as all food and beverage will be provided. Hope to see you there!



ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

On Sunday, May 19 following the worship service we will have a Congregational Meeting to review the 2023 FPC annual report and nominations of new elders and deacons. Printed annual reports and updated directories will be available in the sanctuary on Sunday, May 5.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us Sunday mornings at 8:30 am for Adult Sunday School. Please use the Meeting ID and Passcode below from January 21, 2024 until May 12, 2024.

Go to www.zoom.us/join and use:

Meeting ID: 852 6110 1721

Passcode: 793705

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are moving, have changed phone numbers, or have a new email address, please email those changes to the office at:

fremontfpc@gmail.com.

Thank you! Amy Monk,
FPC Administrative Assistant

NEWSLETTER PREFERENCE:

To change how you receive your newsletter or to unsubscribe from our mailing list, please email the church office at:

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Neighbors' News



In Matthew 25:35 & 40, Jesus says "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat." "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

Thanks to all who choose to put extra items on your grocery list to fill the containers in the Social Room. As always, please look for sales and help only as you are able.

(optional) - Dish Soap and/or Liquid Laundry Soap

May

5 - Spaghetti

12 - Spaghetti Sauce

19 - Pears

26 - Green Beans

Thanks for your help neighbor!

Rod and Linda Combs



THE SESSION

Rev. Dr. Julie Kling (Moderator)
Dannita Cowdrey
Bob Gamble
Bob Humberger
Nicole Whetstone
Bill Taylor (Clerk)

THE CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Pastor	Rev. Dr. Julie Kling
Organist Emeritus	Paul Livingston
Secretary	Amy Monk
Children's Ministry Coordinator	Nicole Whetstone
Co-Treasurers	Larry & Carol Van Dyne
Volunteer Parish Nurse	Linda Hamilton
Custodian	Scott Slatter

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN
COORDINATING TEAM

Moderator	Dannita Cowdrey
Treasurer	Carol Van Dyne
Funeral Luncheon	Susan Myers
Rachel Circle	Dannita Cowdrey
At Large	Jo Elder
	Lois Livingston

THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Melissa Detwiler
Joan Gamble
Anne Humberger
Susan Myers
Carolyn Taylor



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 In case of a pastoral emergency,
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