

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here.

June 18, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

It's hard to fight an enemy that has outposts in your head.

***Sally Kempton, as quoted in Esquire magazine, 1970,
and then in Grace, Eventually by Anne Lamott***

Nothing is easier than to denounce the evildoer,
and nothing is more difficult than to understand him.

William Sloan Coffin

There is no freedom like seeing myself as I am and not losing hope.

Macrina Wiederkehr, Benedictine nun

What once was hurt; What once was friction
What left a mark no longer stings
Because grace makes beauty out of ugly things

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Knowing, Really, Knowing God

Trusting the Deliverer, Part 2

I John 1:8 – 2:2

First Presbyterian Church
1530 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, Florida 33020-5240
2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Pastor: Rev. Kennedy M. McGowan

Director of Music: Dr. Robert Remek

***Please stand if you are able.**

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WELCOME — Please date, fill out, and pass the red Friendship Register to your neighbor.

PRELUDE – *He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought* arr. Mark Hayes

PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

***HYMN – Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken** **# 446**

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS - (IN UNISON) fm. *Searching for Shalom* by Ann Weems

O God, we confess that we forget who we are. We don't listen for a still small voice. We walk with our heads down and miss all the stars that could be ours, but we know, O God, that You are a God of Hope who does not forget Your covenant with us, a Shepherd-God who looks for lost sheep, a faithful God who keeps calling us in spite of our deafness, a God who enters our history and opens our eyes, and heals our blindness. O God, forgive our forgetfulness, accept us as your own and send us out in hope of your love. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

A TIME OF SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***GLORY BE TO THE FATHER (#577)**

**Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

ANTHEM – *A Heart to Love You More* Stan Pethel

THANKSGIVING FOR THE WORD

**O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high,
O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky:
We praise You for the radiance That from the hallowed page,
A lantern to our footsteps, Shines on from age to age.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS – I John 1:8 – 2:2 (New Testament, Page 239 in pew Bible)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Rev. Kennedy M. McGowan

Knowing, Really Knowing God
Trusting the Deliverer, Part 2

THIS WE BELIEVE (in unison) Romans 8:1, 28, 38-39

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; and we know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT – Amazing Grace** #280

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, Look full in his wonderful face And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of his glory and grace.

THE LORD'S PRAYER - (Debtors version) (front of Hymnal, pg. 16)

Response - Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me; Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

(Visitors, in the pew rack you will find a Guest Information card. Please complete the card, then place it in the offering plate.)

The anthem is a prayer. Please, no applause.

Offertory Anthem – At Home, Let There Be Love Ruth Elaine Schram
Kay Hall, soprano

***THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE – DOXOLOGY (#593)**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.
Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen. Amen.**

***OFFERING OF PRAYER (in unison) Adapted from David Adam, b. 1936**

**Lift us, Lord, out of fear into hope, out of frailty into strength, out of foolishness
into sense. Lift us Lord. You came down to lift us. You descended to hell to lift
us into heaven. You entered death to raise us to life. Come, Lord, raise us up,
from all that separates us from you. In the name of Jesus, who died and rose for
us. Amen.**

***HYMN – Come, Sing, O Church in Joy # 430
CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Congregational Response:

**God be with you till we meet again; Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a Shepherd’s care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

***POSTLUDE – Celebration Charles Callahan**

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Lay Reader – Uwa Alexis

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**The flowers in the sanctuary are given by
John & Uwa Alexis in memory of loved ones.**

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**We extend our love and prayers to Ann & Rick Hunter and Donna Kirby
following the passing on June 8th of husband and father E. T. “Dick” Hunter.
A Memorial Service will be held in the sanctuary on Saturday, July 15, 2:00 p.m.**

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WELCOME VISITORS!

Visitors, following worship, please join us on the patio for juice and coffee.

It is our hope that you will encounter God as you worship with us. First Presbyterian Church is a family of faith committed to families, peacemaking, and mission. There are educational offerings for all ages, as well as fellowship groups for members and friends of the church. All are welcome. (For information, visit us at our web site at: www.fpcoh.org)

CHILD CARE for infants is provided in the nursery, located in the Narthex (Lobby) of the church. Children's worship kits are also available for younger children.

Please ask an usher for assistance. Our children's Sunday school, Good News Kidz (GNK), gathers at 10am in the sanctuary (September through May,)

FOR THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, in the narthex we have large print hymnals and a limited number of pew cushions available.

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OPPORTUNITIES

The bulletin announcements serve as reminders of church activities.

Please check our website: fpcoh.org
for the monthly newsletter and church calendar; and
our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/fpcoh/>
Church office e-mail: landerson@fpcoh.org

CHILDREN AND YOUTH —

Good News Kidz (GNK), our Sunday school for children ages 4-10, is off for the summer, and will return in September. Today, children will stay with their parents during worship.

Senior High Youth Group — TODAY, 5:00 p.m. at Starbucks on Young Circle

Boy Scout Troop 420, June 20th, 7:00 p.m., 2nd floor of Education Building

CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP —

Breakfast and the Bible — Sundays, 9:00 – 9:45 a.m., chapel – A study focusing on the scripture of the day.

A Time of Prayer, in the chapel

Monday, June 19th, 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Friday, June 23rd, 9:00 a.m. – Noon

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY —

The next Bible Study will be July 9th, 5:00 p.m. at Starbucks on Young Circle

MEETINGS —

Staff – June 19th, Noon, Church office

Session – June 19th, 7:00 p.m., Chapel

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, June 18 – Father’s Day

- Breakfast and the Bible – Chapel 9:00 a.m.
- Worship - Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.
- Good News Kidz (GNK) - Sanctuary/ Education Building 10:00 a.m.
- Word of God Bible Church – Chapel 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
- Youth Group – Starbucks on Young Circle 5:00 p.m.

Monday, June 19

- A Time of Prayer – Chapel 9:00 a.m. – Noon
- Staff – Church Office Noon
- Session - Chapel 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 20

- Boy Scout Troop 420 - 2nd floor of Education Building 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, June 22

- Word of God Bible Church – Chapel 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Friday, June 23

- A Time of Prayer – Chapel 9:00 a.m. – Noon

Saturday, June 24

- Christ Jesus College and Seminary – Sanctuary & Chapel 7:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, June 25

- Breakfast and the Bible – Chapel 9:00 a.m.
- Worship - Sanctuary 10:00 a.m.
- Good News Kidz (GNK) - Sanctuary/ Education Building 10:00 a.m.
- Word of God Bible Church – Chapel 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

A WORD FROM KENNEDY

WE ARE GETTING CLOSER TO FINDING OUR DIRECTOR OF FAMILY MINISTRIES

As we move into summer, we have now narrowed down the search from four candidates to two. With one of those candidates, we have finished up with all the interviews and are now following up on reference checks; and with the other, we still have some interviews to conduct, and then will make a decision on next steps with that person. At the same time, work is moving forward on preparing for that person's arrival. Last week, Presbyterian Women announced that all the items from new fans to knobs for the cabinets have been purchased for the new apartment. Last Saturday, **Kenneth Benoit, Carlos Fernandez, David Lindstrom, James Potts, Steven Silvestro, David Spader, Simon and Tom Valentine, and John Patrick Young** cleared out the areas that will become the new offices for the Director, to get it ready for the painting and renovations to follow. And finally, just yesterday, the new windows in the apartment were installed. We hope that by sometime in mid-July, we will be able to announce to the congregation who will be filling this position. Please keep the Search Team in your prayers - that God will guide us as we move towards a final decision on these two candidates.

DROP BY FOR COFFEE OR TEA WITH KENNEDY THIS WEEK

Here are the unscheduled times this week where I am available for y'all to come by for a visit!

Sunday – 3 to 4 PM and 7 to 8 PM

(worship, Father's Day festivities, and youth group take up the remaining time.)

Monday – 9:30 - 11:30 AM and 2 to 5 PM

(staff and other meetings take up the remainder of the day)

Tuesday – 2:30 to 3:30 PM

(Bold Justice annual assessment takes up the rest of the day.)

Wednesday – 10 to 5 PM

Friday – 9:30 AM to 4 PM

(sermon finalization takes up the remaining time.)

Please try to call beforehand so I can put the kettle on, and to make sure that the schedule hasn't unexpectedly changed for a hospital visit or some other concern.