

FIRST LIGHT NEWSLETTER

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FPC Men in Action!



Chena River Regatta

June 5th

10am to 1pm

Float from Graehl Landing to Chena Wayside
Sound like fun?

- RSVP text or call Jim Williams at 907-978-3320
- Lunch provided
- BYOB (bring your own BOAT)
- Bring a friend!
- Do you need a watercraft?
Let Jim know!!



GALATIANS

Chapter 5 Sermon Series

It is for **FREEDOM** that
Christ has set us free

“Characteristics of a Christian Who is Living a Life
of Freedom From our Sinful Nature”

May 30

“Human Nature; We Need a Savior, Not
Another Great Teacher”

Galatians 5:1-12

Theme: Jesus as Savior

June 6

“Freedom”

Galatians 5:13-15

Theme: Love

June 13

“Life by the Spirit Rather Than Being Led by
our Sinful Desires of the Flesh”

Galatians. 5:16-18

Theme: Holy Spirit

June 20

“The Acts of the Flesh is Obvious”

Galatians. 5:19-21

Theme: Kingdom of God

June 27

“Religious Sins: Idolatry and Witchcraft”

Galatians 5:19-20

Theme: Only One God

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ADDITIONAL JUNE EVENTS

JUNE 6

COMMUNION SUNDAY

JUNE 12

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR JOHN AND DEREK BRINGHURST

JUNE 20

FATHER'S DAY

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
(after worship service)**

UPCOMING JULY EVENT

JULY 19

**VBS
(Details to follow at a later time)**

What follows is a short summary of the decisions and actions of the Session, at the May 18, 2021 Stated Session Meeting. The minutes of the meeting will contain a more complete record.



The Session of First Presbyterian Church met in the church conference room at 6:00 pm on Tuesday, May 18th.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Moderator, RE Stephanie Rozell, with prayer.

Acting Moderator Rozell led a devotion based on Acts 2:1-40, on the Holy Spirit.

The opening prayer was led by RE Terry Reichardt.

It was **moved, seconded** and **passed** to approve the agenda as presented.

RE Terry Reichardt gave a brief status on the Pastoral Search Committee.

Vital Statistics from April 21, 2021 to May 18, 2021, as well as Minutes from the April 20, 2021 Stated Session Meeting were received. It was **moved, seconded** and **passed** to approve them as presented.

There was no correspondence received.

It was **moved, seconded** and **passed** to approve the item on the Consent Calendar. The item was: In April the Personnel Committee approved leave for Pastor Peter, from April 7th to 9th. The Personnel Committee is asking for Session Approval for this leave.

A written financial report from Church Treasurer Christy Repasky was received.

It was **moved, seconded** and **passed** to hold a budget planning meeting in August 2021 to determine priorities that will affect budgeting decisions.

It was **moved, seconded** and **passed** to rescind the COVID Mitigation Plan.

It was decided that RE Barb Page, as member of the COVID Mitigation Team, will notify the Office Manager to notify the congregation via email and newsletter.

It was **moved, seconded** and **passed** to call a Congregational Meeting on June 20, 2021, for the purpose of electing new officers.

It was **moved, seconded** and **passed** to RE Jenna Dreydoppel and RE Jim Williams as Commissioners to the June 22nd to 25th General Assembly Meeting.

RE Jim Williams presented a report on the May Presbytery Meeting.

It was **moved, seconded** and to move forward with TE Dembroski's proposal for phase two and phase three of the Transitional Process.

It was **moved, seconded** and **passed** to table the motion to proceed with phase two and three until the June Session Meeting.

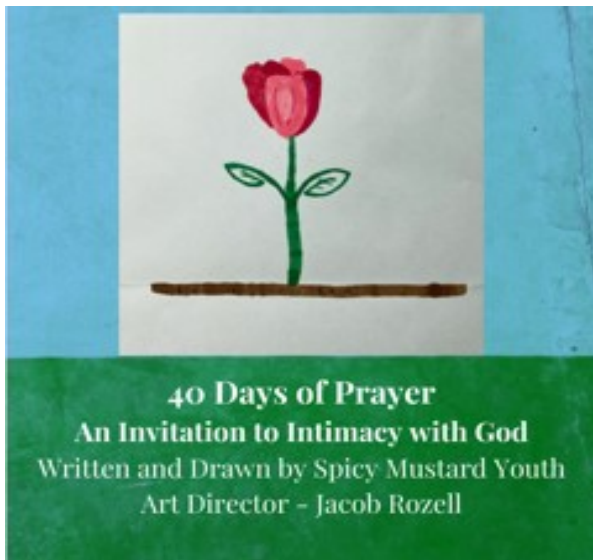
It was **moved, seconded** and **passed** to ask TE Dembroski to submit his report on his phase one interviews by the expected deadline of May 26th.

Action on the approval of the Ministry Team Responsibilities document will be taken at the June 2021 Session Meeting.

Session Ministry Teams presented written and verbal reports.

Elders spent time in prayer. After making prayer requests known, elders prayed for one another and for First Presbyterian, and the meeting was adjourned, in prayer by Moderator Dembroski.

The next Stated Session Meeting will be held on June 15, 2021 at 6:00 pm, in the Church Conference Room.



40 Days of Prayer

If you missed the original run of the youth group's 40 Days of Prayer or if you'd like to dive back in and share it with others, we now have paper copies available in the Narthex. The entirety of the prayer book is also available at fpcfairbanks.blogspot.com

Youth Group

Please note the updated youth schedule for the month of June: Sundays from 11-1:30pm (Lunch Included), Mondays - No Youth Group, Wednesdays from 1p-3:30p

David's Sabbatical

David McConnell-Booher will be on sabbatical for the month of June. Youth Group related questions can be directed to Elder Maggie Demers, Leader Sarah Curtis, or the Church Office. Thank you for all of the incredible support you have shown me over my first 11 years here at FPC! I look forward to returning in July refreshed and rejuvenated by the Holy Spirit. God is Good! Love, David McB

PRAYER TIME

All are invited to prayer time each Tuesday in the sanctuary at 12:15pm. This is a time for us to intercede for our world, nation, community, church family and friends.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

YOUTH MISSION SUMMER

The Youth are working to raise funds and serve neighbors this Summer. If you have a project that some eager teenagers can help with, please contact David here at church.

Do You Have A Life Skill to Share?

Our students are always looking for valuable lessons. If you have a skill (like baking bread, changing a car's oil, note taking, or sewing) that you would be willing to share with 2-3 students eager to learn, please contact David to become a short-term skill mentor to our students!

~ Online Giving ~

To set up online giving go to:
<https://fairbanksfirstpres.com/>

At the right hand top of the screen, select Give. Follow Directions to sign up.

NOTE: If you select use of a debit or credit card, before your gift is transferred to the church, a percentage of your donation is deducted for the credit card transaction fee. If you select a checking or savings account, the entire amount is transferred to the church.

The following is a list of missions supported by FPC:

Local Missions

Youth Mission Trip

The Door

Love In the name of Christ (Love INC)

Fairbanks Rescue Mission

CareNet Pregnancy Center

Food Bank

*God is our REFUGE and
STRENGTH, a very
present help in trouble.*

Psalms 46:1

Happy Birthday!!

1	Kyle Vanhatten	
1	Mya Perkins	★
1	Richard Halfhill	
2	David McConnell-Booher	
2	Amy Richards-Wiegers	★
3	Aaro Mackey	
3	Henry Morris	
4	Ellie Hull	★
7	Roland Trapper	
8	Steve Beene	★
9	Kathleen Fagre	
9	Jerry Freel	
9	Benaniah Vander Lugt	
10	Carla Lundberg	★
14	John Waddell	
16	Lillian Fortune	
16	Kyle Sunderland	
24	Sarah Rozell	
24	Liam Brewer	★
25	Sarah Fortune	
27	George Bowder	
28	Sara Williams	
28	Jim Fuller	
29	Jacob Rozell	
30	Taylor Young	
30	Kyle Lundberg	★