



**First Presbyterian
Church of Littleton**

First Word

August 1, 2018

2018 SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Come Away with Me - Mark 6:31-33

REFRESHING YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

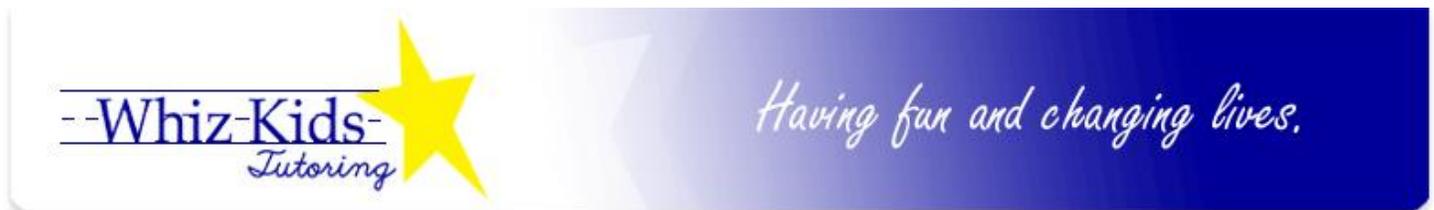
TUESDAY SEPT 18 - THURSDAY SEPT 20



Opportunity Fair

HAVE FUN & MAKE A DIFFERENCE

First Presbyterian Church of Littleton is offering its second OPPORTUNITY FAIR on Sunday, August 5 after the 10:30 service. Held on the lawn from 11:30 - 12:30 am, there will be tables and tents with displays, food, and information regarding the many facets of our church community. Representatives will be available to answer questions regarding all the ministries sponsored by our church and the many groups that use our space throughout the week. The event will be lots of fun and it offers everyone a chance to meet and greet new and old friends. Please plan on joining us and feel free to bring friends who might be interested in seeing what FPCL is all about. Don't miss it!!!



--Whiz Kids--
Tutoring

Having fun and changing lives.

Whiz Kids Tutoring News

It is: *Tutor Recruitment Time Again*. Time to ask yourself if you would like to spend some time working one-on-one with an Elementary Age Student. The commitment is one day a week, for a couple hours, either at our First Pres Site or some other Site in the Littleton, Denver area. You don't need to be a "professional" educator, just someone with a willingness to share, who enjoys being around children. Our Site meets Thursdays from 4-5:30 (new hours this year), but there are 51 other sites to choose from that meet on different days and have different hours. All Sites are looking for new tutors, if this is something you might be interested in.

You will find more information and a short Video on the Whiz Kids Website: www.whizkidstutoring.com OR You can talk to me personally at our Church Opportunity Fair, August 5th, right after the 10:30 service OR on Recruitment Sunday, August 26th in Chandler Hall. I will have general information and applications at both of these events. You can also email me with any questions: frkrakr@yahoo.com, or call me: Home - 303.862.6197, Cell - 559.737.2018. Looking forward to chatting with you and maybe even recruiting you. Roberta Wheeler

2018 SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Come Away with Me: Refreshing Your Relationship with God

September 18 – September 20

“Jesus said to them, ‘Come away with me. Let us go alone to a quiet place and rest for a while.’” Mark 6:31a, Worldwide English

How will you respond to Jesus’ invitation?

Pastors Carol and Cody hope you will take Jesus up on his invitation to get away and register to attend the church’s 2018 Spiritual Retreat. This year’s theme is “Come Away with Me: Refreshing Your Relationship with God.”

In a peaceful, natural setting, away from the stresses of city life, we will explore ways to renew and deepen our relationships with God. There will be presentations, discussion, and prayer. Along with time together, there will be alone time to relax, read, and enjoy God’s creation in the surrounding 280 acres.

The retreat will begin at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, September 18 and conclude around 3 pm on Thursday, September 20.

A Little Bit of Heaven on a Hill

The retreat will be held at Sacred Heart Jesuit Retreat House in Sedalia, Colorado, less than 20 miles from First Pres. It’s close, but when you’re there you feel a world away. It’s been called “A Little Bit of Heaven on a Hill.” You can preview the site at www.sacredretreathouse.org. The online tour is worth watching.

Registration and Cost

You can register to attend the 2018 Spiritual Retreat by contacting the church office, 303-798-1389 or fpcl@fpcl.org. **Registration deadline is Thursday, August 30.** The retreat cost is \$100 per person and is due at the time you register. It includes 2 nights lodging in a private room, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Wednesday, breakfast and dinner on Thursday, and retreat materials.

Owing to the generosity of two donors, we are able to offer two full scholarships and two half scholarships. Scholarship applications are available in Chandler Hall and must be returned to Pastor Carol by Friday, August 17.

We live such busy and demanding lives, and can easily fall into the same old, deleting patterns. This retreat is a wonderful opportunity to intentionally pause and recharge. We hope to see you there.





SAVE YOUR BOOKS FOR THE WWW USED BOOK SALE

The Whiz Kids program and WWW Book Sale need your gently used books. We appreciate you going through your books and bringing them to the bin in the Welcome Center, the room to the right of the Windermere entrance. If you need help getting the books to the church, Barb Smart, 303-794-8131 or Roberta Wheeler, 559-737-2018 are happy to pick up your books and bring them to the church for you.



4th Annual Western Welcome Week Hot Dog Lunch



Make sure to join us on the front lawn during the WWW Parade for the best seat in the house and invite your family, friends, and neighbors! All proceeds from the sale will benefit the Pastor's Breakfast Program at First Presbyterian Church of Littleton.

WHEN: SATURDAY AUGUST 18TH FROM 9:30AM – 12:30PM

WHERE: FRONT LAWN OF THE CHURCH - 1609 WEST LITTLETON BLVD.

WHAT: A \$5 LUNCH WHICH INCLUDES: HOT DOG, CHIPS, DRINK, & DESSERT



MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday August 11 @ 7:30 am

Join us at Louis' Diner, across the street from the church.



MEN'S WORK CAMP! Once again we are collecting travel size hygiene products for the group to take to La Puente this summer. Shampoo, conditioner, lotion, soap, razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shaving cream, wash cloths, feminine products are needed. If you are traveling this summer, remember this great project when you leave your hotel.



2018 Western Welcome Week First Presbyterian Church of Littleton

16th ANNUAL QUILT SHOW

**Come and enjoy the beautiful quilts displayed
in our historic sanctuary!**

ANNUAL QUILT SHOW & USED BOOK SALE

Friday, August 17th—noon to 7:00 pm
Saturday, August 18th—8:00 am to 3:00 pm

**A beautiful donation quilt will be given away
on Saturday, at 3:00 pm. Donations are 6 for \$5 or \$1 each.
Proceeds will go to the local chapter of Meals on Wheels.
Proceeds from the book sale go to the First Presbyterian
Whiz Kids Tutoring Program.**

LET YOUR QUILTS BE A PART OF OUR SHOW!

To Display Your Quilt:

Bring your quilts to the church on Thursday, August 16th, between noon and 6:00 pm, We welcome all ages and types of quilts! Quilts must be picked up on Saturday, August 18th at 3:00 pm.

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303-798-1389 ♦ fpcl@fpcl.org ♦ www.littletonpresbyterian.org

Western Welcome Week, info@westernwelcomeweek.org
www.westernwelcomeweek.org, 303.794.4870

Christian Education Ministry



VBS was a wonderful week of fun!!

We welcomed 46 children to our Shipwrecked Island! Together, we learned that...
When you are lonely...Jesus rescues
When you worry...Jesus rescues
When you do wrong...Jesus rescues
When you are powerless...Jesus rescues

The crew were surprisingly upbeat considering they had just been shipwrecked on an island, but perhaps it was due to the great company and upbeat singing!

THANK YOU!! To all of the amazing volunteers that made the week a fun adventure in learning about Jesus!



Sunday School kicks off **Sunday, September 2!!!** **Ages 4yrs to 5th grade**

Come join the fun as we learn from the DIG IN curriculum: *The Bible in One Year*. Kids experience a relationship with God through the eyes of ordinary Bible people and will discover that they're a lot like people God has always loved and worked through. Bring your kids, grandkids and their friends! ALL are welcome! Join us in the sanctuary for 10:30 AM worship service. Following the Children's Sermon the children will join their teachers and shepherds for Sunday school until 11:30 AM.

ADULT CE FALL PREVIEW:

Watch for upcoming dates and times for a Women's daytime and weeknight Bible study, AND Pastor Cody Sandahl's co-ed Sunday morning study on **HOT BUTTON** Theology topics



Dear FPCL friends

Many of you remember Hurricane Harvey in Houston. My daughter, Allie, our youth director, and I chaired collecting buckets full of items to get directly to the people in need. Many of you helped with quick, hugely generous donations.

From that, Allie became interested in taking our youth to serve and help the hurricane community Well, it happened. June 10-16, our youth, Allie and Trey McDowell spent a week working in Houston heat and humidity, no AC, to help rebuild houses of families devastated by Harvey

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, we get the chance to hear their stories. I have had the joy of hearing many from Allie. They are moving. Please come, treat your soul, and hear these stories

These kids were Christ's hands and feet.
They were also FPCLs hands and feet.
Please come share their moving stories

God bless,
Susan Graham



A Minute for Stewardship—2018 Opportunity Fair

“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone.” – 1 Corinthians 12: 4-6

Many times, our Stewardship Committee informs you of ways to contribute your money to our local and greater FPCL Ministry. This month, we'd like to highlight ways to contribute your time and talent to the ministry of FPCL. **On Sunday August 5th, First Presbyterian Church of Littleton will be holding its second annual Opportunity Fair at 11:30am**, immediately following the second worship service. Weather permitting, the fair will be held on the **east side of the church, outside the Windermere entrance**.

For those of you who participated in the recent “Spiritual Gifts” class at FPCL, this is an excellent way to explore how you can connect with the ministry at FPCL. There will be several tables set up with information and activities related to Christian Education, Mission, Music, Administration and more.

Specific to Stewardship, this committee is looking for individuals interested in the following areas: We hope to see you in church and see you at this year's Opportunity Fair!

PLANNING LEADERS FOR THE ANNUAL ARC “FILL THE TRUCK” EVENT

This event is held every year the weekend after Labor Day, in September. ARC donates up to \$1500 to the church for filling a trailer of gently used items (furniture, clothes, etc.) - the money is directed to FPCL in areas of ministry determined by the Stewardship Committee. Leaders would lead the communication/promotion of the event and the recruiting of volunteers. This event is entering its 5th year, so there is an established process that has proven successful.

FUTURE “SPRING FLING” SUB-COMMITTEE MEMEBERS

After a successful initial event, the Stewardship is looking for interested adults to serve on the planning committee for this fundraising event. Stewardship envisions this event to occur once every 2-3 years for major fund raising efforts that will be defined by Stewardship and FPCL leadership (Session/Deacons). A complete notebook of details has been kept from the most recent, and past events of this nature, to ensure we don't need to start from “scratch”.

ESTATE PLANNING LEADERS

Stewardship and Finance are looking for volunteers with the passion and skill to educate and promote the benefits of giving to FPCL through wills and bequests.

Your Stewardship Committee:

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Coffee with Cody

I would love to get to know you better! How did you become a Christian? What do you love about First Pres Littleton? What are some of the best moments of your life? How can I be praying for you today?

Consider yourself invited to have coffee with Cody just to spend time together. Contact Cody by email at cody@fpcl.org or by phone at (720) 258-6185.

REQUESTS FOR TRANSPORTATION STARTING 7-1-2018

Transportation requests will only be available for church functions and church services as long as they are within 10 mile radius of the church. Below is a list of drivers that are willing to do this type of transport. Please give the person you call at least 48 hours notice in order to arrange the transport if they are available.

If it's for doctor's appointments, drugstore for medications, grocery store etc, please use one of the following services:

Go Go Grandparent 1-855-464-6872,

Access a Ride RTD 303-299-2960 for information, 303-299-2960 for application.

SRC Transportation 303-238-8151(SRC is free according to their information however they want at least 7 days notice in advance to do the transport)

(GO GO Grandparent and RTD charge a fee depending on the location you want transport to)

If it's medications or groceries call your store and ask if they offer free delivery to your home. Many of them do offer this service.

Below is the list of drivers available to help you with church services and functions.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
Chandler, Scott	303-888-0132
Graves, Dick & Cathy	303-979-7251
Grow, Jim & Mary	303-761-4118
Kizer, Jim	303-794-6136
Lemieux, Doug & Hedy	303-794-8284
Smith, Dan	303-378-6423(cell)
Smith, Tanya	303-694-1299(cell)

If you have any questions please call:

Dan Smith 303-378-6423, Jim Kizer 303-794-6136 or Doug Lemieux 303-794-8284

Another reminder from your Stewardship team:

This Fall, we will once again be conducting an **ARC “Fill the Truck” Event** to raise funds for the ministry programs at FPCL. This year’s funds will go to support the “Pastor’s Breakfast” program.



New this year, we are offering early storage for large furniture items. Effective immediately, if you have large, quality furniture items for donation to the ARC “Fill the Truck” event you may schedule a time to have these items picked up or dropped off at the church. (**note – bags and boxes of items will only be received the week of the event*) If interested, please contact Elinor in the church office and one of the Stewardship team will contact you to work out the details.

Remember, **all items for donation must be in good condition** and be something you would be proud to give to a friend or family member. **(a list of items that cannot be accepted by ARC is available in the church office)**

This year’s event will be held **the weekend after Labor Day –September 8th and 9th**. Questions? Ask Sue Chandler or Dave LeMay for more detail.



COMING SOON

Grief & Loss Workshop

Thursdays, October 4

November 8, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

This workshop was a great help to those who participated last winter, so we are offering it again this fall. You’ll be pleasantly surprised by how much you get out of these six weeks. Facilitated by Jaynie Muggli, MA, LPC with Pastor Carol Parsons. Registration begins September 4 by calling the church office, 303-798-1389.

Coping with the Holidays

Saturday, November 10

1-3 pm

This presentation focuses on meeting the needs of those for whom the winter holiday season, including Thanksgiving, can be overwhelming and frightening as a result of grieving the loss of a loved one. Facilitated by Jaynie Muggli, MA, LPC with Pastor Carol Parsons. Registration begins October 1 by calling the church office, 303-798-1389.

INTERGENERATIONAL MISSION DAYS

PRESENTED BY FPCL YOUTH
MINISTRY

School Supply Distribution Days: FPCL Youth Group invites the congregation to join us serving this year with The Jeffco Action Center as we pass out school supplies to families. **We want to get to know you and would love for you to serve along side us.** We will be hosting two mission days this August. **August 9 from 11am-5 pm, and August 11 8am-2:00pm.** We will meet at the church both days and car pool to the location. Sign up with the form below and place it in the offering.

School supplies have been donated to the Action Center and are ready to be given to families. This is our opportunity to help families pick out their supplies. Everything is already set up and ready to go they need volunteers to help pass out the supplies to families. All you need is a heart for service, and a sack lunch to join us.

School supplies are incredibly expensive and many families in our community cannot afford them. When it comes to the beginning of school many families are trying to make the decision between food or school supplies. The Jeffco Action Center works tirelessly to help families not have to make that decision. We get to be a part of this by distributing the supplies to families. You will get the opportunity to meet families and help kids pick out fun backpacks and supplies.

This is one of our favorite mission projects all year and we are delighted to invite you to join us!

Intergenerational School Supply Distribution Day

Please tear off and place in the offering plate on Sunday or mail in to the church office)

Name: _____

Contact Info: _____

I will serve on THURSDAY, August 9 (11am-5pm)

I will serve on SATURDAY, August 11 (8am-2pm)



Celebrate the 15 Amazing Coders Who Completed the 2018 Summer Code Academy with Pastor Cody!

We had an amazing group of 15 students and a wonderful crew of leaders for the 2018 Summer Code Academy! The robots have now all migrated to their new homes with the students, and we have heard about some students who have stayed in contact to help each other continue coding.



We started learning the basics of computer programming using an app called “Lightbot.” Then we moved on to controlling and programming a robot called the “Ozobot Evo.” Each day at snack time we encouraged the students to build a particular scene with their food that tied-in with the theme of the day (like this “robot”).



We started with a bunch of students who had very little exposure to computer programming, and by the end of the camp we had fifteen students programming their robots to become self-driving cars through an obstacle course of foam marshmallows.

To see more photos, go to www.code4kids.me/camp

Thank you to the incredible team of volunteers who helped pull this event together!

Pastor Cody

Save the Date

September 16 at 12:30 pm



The Cross Cultural Covenant Community has moved the annual picnic to a closer park - Bear Creek Park is only 15 minutes away. They did this to help our church and Grace Presbyterian have an easier commute and hopefully have a larger turnout. All are

encouraged to attend and meet the people from these other churches.

August Events

- August 5, 11:30am** **Opportunity Fair**
- August 11, 7:30am** **Men's Breakfast, Louis' Diner**
- August 12, 9:30am** **Pastor's Breakfast, Ayers Parlor**
- August 12, 11:30am** **Youth Brunch & Mission Trip Program**
- August 12, Noon** **Deacon Meeting**
- August 14, 1pm** **Afternoon Book Group**
- August 17** **First Word Deadline**
- August 16, 12pm-6pm** **WWW Quilt Show Book Sale Set-up**
- August 17, 12pm- 7pm** **WWW Quilt Show & Book Sale**
- August 18, 8am - 3pm** **WWW Quilt Show & Book Sale**
- August 18, 9:30am-12:30pm** **Hot Lunch, Church Lawn**
- August 20, 7am** **Men's Morning Bible Study**
- August 26-31** **Men's Work Camp, La Puente**
- August 26, 11:45am** **Session**
- August 27, 6:30pm** **Men's Evening Bible Study**

Prayer List

- Jeanne Kinney and family upon the passing of Dick
- Anson Andrew and family upon the passing of Pam
- Jim Biner
- Joyce Lei
- Jim Armentrout
- Vi & Ron Cooper
- Lois Reish
- Joyce Fuller
- Wilmajean Coate
- Marlene & Gene Cass
- Kent Griffith
- Camilla True
- Lyle Graff
- Jean Wilbur
- Jean Clyne
- Bill Wunderlich
- Carol Card
- Joy Carreño

• In Service to Our Country

- Capt. Ricky Cashburn
- 2nd Lt. Connor Venrick
- Brett Wilson, at sea
- Sgt. Benjamin Lund, Afghanistan
- Bobby Johannsen
- Lt. Per Rychecky, Whidbey Island NAS, WA
- Connor McDaniel, Army
- Donnie Donahue, PFC, Marines
- Nathaniel Syron, Aide to the Army Chaplain

Missions

- John Altemus
- Jory Bayne, Metro Denver
- Presbytery of Zimbabwe
- Metro Saints Covenant Community
- South Asia Mission

May your unfailing love be my comfort, according to your promise to your servant. " Psalm 119:76

FINACIAL UPDATE

	June 2018		Year to Date 2018	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Income	\$32,658.28	\$31,206.00	\$ 232,058.80	\$ 231,815.00
Expenses	\$35,951.92	\$38,230.00	\$ 225,777.03	\$ 227,078.00
Surplus/Deficit	(\$3,293.64)	(\$7,024.00)	\$ 6,281.77	\$ 4,737.00

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"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

Proverbs 3:5-6

Staff Directory

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 am to Noon and 1:00pm to 4:00 p.m.

Office is closed on Saturdays.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- ◆ **Sunday Worship: 8:30 am & 10:30am**
- ◆ **Adult Sunday School: Will resume in September**
- ◆ **Children's Sunday School: FIRST WORD NEWSLETTER**

The deadline for the **September** newsletter is **August 17**.

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