



Forest Park Church

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Hope • Purpose • Belonging

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

DAVID WILLIS

Romans 5:15 reminds us that God's gift is not like humanity's failure. Through one man's sin many experienced death, but through the grace given through Jesus Christ, God's grace overflowed to many people. That truth frames the meaning behind a phrase many of us have heard, "Salvation is free, but it ain't cheap."

I remember hearing a preacher use that exact phrase not too long ago. It struck me again because it captures the tension of the gospel. We could never earn salvation. We cannot purchase it, negotiate it, or prove ourselves worthy of it. Yet it came at an unimaginable cost. The cross was not symbolic theater. It was the place where perfect love absorbed the full weight of human sin and brokenness.

In this season of Lent, we slow down long enough to remember that cost. Lent invites us to step away from distraction and sit with the reality that our reconciliation with God required the sacrifice of God Himself. Jesus willingly stepped into suffering so we could step into life. And still, this costly salvation is offered to us as a free gift. No payment plan. No spiritual performance contract. Only grace, received by faith.

During this Lenten season, rejoice in what God has done. Reflect on how deeply you are loved. Let gratitude shape your prayers, your worship, and your daily life. Pause often and simply thank Him as you remember that His mercy endures and His grace still reaches every searching heart.

Romans 5:15 (NCV)

But God's free gift is not like Adam's sin. Many people died because of the sin of that one man. But the grace from God was much greater; many people received God's gift of life by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ.



Worship Services:

8:00 A.M.
TRADITIONAL

10:30 A.M.
CONTEMPORARY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARCH'S COMMUNION OFFERING BENEFITS:

Dove Uganda Children's Fund

The goal of DUCF is to partner with the local church of Uganda through child sponsorship to restore hope to this war-ravaged country, one child at a time. Throughout this month, leading up to our communion offering, we have the opportunity to raise funds for this ministry through answering surveys. Each individual is able to complete up to 75 surveys to help DUCF raise money for their five schools. To begin; go to:

<https://hundrex.com/givewithoutspending>

MENS MINISTRY

Men's Breakfast:
Wednesdays | 7am-8am
in the Fellowship Hall



FOOD & WORSHIP

WEEKLY



REFUEL

Wednesdays

5:00pm Dinner
5:45pm Worship & Message

CONVERSATIONS OVER COFFEE:

Donna Allen, a certified Christian Women's Counselor, is available to offer prayerful guidance and support. She can be reached at (850) 381-2489.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY {2026 Spring Market Fundraiser}

We are excited to announce that vendor applications are now open for our upcoming Spring Market Fundraiser on April the 18th from 8:30am to 4:00pm. The market will open before, after, and during the breaks on Spring Renewal Day at Forest Park Church. We are currently seeking a variety of vendors offering homemade goods, boutique items, specialty foods, unique services, and artistic products to create a vibrant and diverse experience for the women at the Spring Renewal Event. All proceeds will provide funds for Women's Fall Event to be held in November 2026. If you're interested in participating, please contact Donna Allen (850-814-6595) for more information. Vendor application deadline is April the 10th by noon. Space is limited, so we encourage you to apply early.



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UPCOMING EVENTS



YARD SALE!

Friday, March 6th and Saturday, March 7th from 7am to 11am. Please drop items Sunday, March 1st through Thursday, March 5th during church office hours. Please, no mattresses or large furniture. Proceeds to benefit FPC Mission Fund.

Spring Renewal Day

SATURDAY, APRIL 18TH, 2026
8:30AM TO 4:00PM

*for women to reflect, rest,
recharge, and renew!*

Registration opens March 15th



YOU ARE FREE TO BE "MADE NEW"

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FP KIDS WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday School 9:15-10:15 AM
Kids Church: 10:30 AM



FP YOUTH WORSHIP TIMES

Wednesdays 5:30-7:00 PM
Sunday School 9:15-10:15 AM
Sunday Youth 4-6 PM



FP YOUNG ADULTS WORSHIP TIMES

Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 PM



Creation to the Cross

Wednesday
4/1/26
5:30-7pm

All Ages
Welcome!

An Easter Family Event

On the 3rd Sunday every month, our kids will collect coins for Christ to provide a better understanding of serving and giving to our community. At the end of 6 months, they will decide where they want to donate the funds they have collected.

FPKids Spring Break Days

Mar. 17th	Mar. 18th	Mar. 19th
<p>Family Field Trip Day! 12:00- Bring your own lunch picnic on the playground 1:30- Science and Discovery Center. \$12/person, free under 2 y/o *kids must be accompanied by an adult*</p>	<p>Chill at Church! Drop off starts at 9 am and kids can stay all the way through church! Must bring a lunch and a water bottle is recommended!</p>	<p>Water Play Day! Drop off starts at 9 am and kids must be picked up by 3 pm! Must bring a lunch and a change of clothes. Water bottle is recommended.!</p>

WINNER OF BRING A FRIEND FEBRUARY WILL GO FREE!

Happy Anniversary

Jon & Barbara Cupp
 Charlie & Vickie Handrop
 Josh & Melinda Thirlwall
 Pat & Vicki Ahearn
 Mark & Deanna Strickland
 Ray & Karen Borel
 Tony & Marianne Walker

March 10th
 March 10th
 March 16th
 March 28th
 March 28th
 March 30th
 March 31st

Happy Birthday

March 1st
 Isaiah Lundy

March 2nd
 Pat Barnard
 Faith Williams

March 4th
 Cindy Ratliff

March 5th
 Dee Chase
 Esther Orji

March 6th
 Dave Hodges

March 7th
 Amanda Demarest
 Carol Lee
 Lauren Orme

March 8th
 Dempsey Houser
 Tom Klomps

March 11th
 Janilyn Durham
 Bowden Orme
 Jean Smith

March 12th
 Opal Pitts
 Nancy Smith

March 13th
 Pattie Franko

March 14th
 Marti Valcourt

March 15th
 Linda Brigman

March 17th
 Sandy Allen
 David Redmond
 Nate Reyes

March 18th
 Shane Bobo
 Matthew Frye
 Joe Gryszowka
 Molly Wesley

March 19th
 Travis Averett
 John Masker
 Shelia Ray

March 21st
 India Hagler
 Jim Ray

March 25th
 Diane Dick
 Katie Rodríguez

March 27th
 George McCormick

March 29th
 Shawn Bobo

March 31st
 Robbie Laver