Nurseries
Early Childcare Ministries provide opportunities for children to be loved and nurtured by trained childcare givers and volunteers. We offer a warm and safe atmosphere in our nurseries for children to learn, live, and grow in our Christian faith from the moment of birth. Parents may watch their child’s interaction through a one-way window in the hall outside room 131.

Infant Nursery – Room 131 For babies up to 24 months. Open 8:30 a.m. – noon.
Toddler Nursery – Room 144 Available to children ages two and three during the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services.

Both nurseries are served by professional staff, but adult members are encouraged to volunteer as helpers, especially on high attendance Sundays.

Wonders of Worship (W.O.W.)
Room 145
This is an age appropriate, interactive opportunity for children ages four through second grade to learn about and experience worship. Children attend 8:30 a.m. (Chapel) or 11:00 a.m. (Sanctuary) worship services with their families. Following the Word for Children, volunteers welcome and lead the children to Room 145 for 20-minute Wonders of Worship program. Children rejoin their parents during the hymn after the sermon to experience the rest of the service with their families. Worship clipboards with educational puzzles, coloring pages, and other activities are available in narthex when arriving at worship.

Library
Room 210
Books & DVDs are available for all ages to check out on Sunday mornings before and after services and Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Youth Ministries
Youth ministry is offered to young people currently enrolled in grades 6 - 12. Middle School and High School youth meet each weekend. See Youth Calendar for details.

Our program provides opportunities for spiritual growth, service, study, fun, and Christian fellowship. Youth venture out into the community for activities, mission trips, and retreats.

For more information, visit our website or contact Lyndsey at lyndsey@firstpresvb.org or 757-428-6332.

Coffee & Cold Beverages
This weekly fellowship time is held at 9:30 a.m. on Sundays in the atrium/Stanton Hall (fellowship hall).

Inter-generational Events during Sunday School hour
9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.
Stanton Hall

September 8
Celebrate the Birth of the Church with a Book of Acts kickoff

December 1
Advent Workshop

December 8
Children’s Choirs Musical

December 22
Pancakes, Christmas stories, and music

Exploring Our Faith
Christian Education Programs
September - December, 2019

The purpose of the Christian Education program at FPC is to build foundations of faith through current, visionary programs within a safe and nurturing environment. Our hope is that the opportunities offered will bring people closer to God and one another and equip them to be active disciples in our local and global community.

If you have suggestions, comments, or wish to get involved, please call 428-6332.

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Sunday School Classes for All
Sundays 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Children’s Classes

Age two: Room 144
Teachers introduce children to Bible stories using music, simple crafts and play using Deep Blue curriculum. (see details below)

Ages three and four: Room 145
Deep Blue curriculum blends Bible stories, activities, crafts, & games into a full faith experience for preschool children. Our caring team of teachers will prepare stories about heroes from the Book of Acts.

Kindergarten - 3rd Grades: Rooms 219, 228
4th and 5th Grades: Room 213
Both groups study C.S.I (Christian Service Investigation) which uses investigative skills and multi-sensory opportunities to explore the early Church stories recorded in the Acts of the Apostles by the Gospel writer, Luke. Each week, clues are given as children investigate the amazing acts, challenges, and miracles. Magnifying glasses provided!

High School 9th - 12th Grades: 303 Youth Center
The Bible Project will focus on theological words and themes of the Bible in order to expand understanding of what we believe.

Senior High Bible Study: 303 Youth Center
Meet 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. every other week for dinner and a study led by the Rev. Lyndsey McCall.

College Ministry

All college age students are invited to meet in the Almond Courtyard following 11 o’clock worship on the last Sunday of the month to travel to a restaurant for a Dutch brunch and conversation. Contact the Rev. Lyndsey McCall for more information.

Youth Classes

Middle School 6th - 8th Grades: 303 Youth Center
Re:form Ancestors is a youth Bible study that helps students get to know personalities from the Bible. The focus is on how unlikely people have been called by God to do amazing things and to examine the similarities between themselves and their faith ancestors.

Paul Walters Class: Room 214
An in-depth discussion group led in turn by class members with weekly readings in advance of The Heart of Christianity by Marcus Borg. Contact John Ellis for more information.

Adult Classes

September 8 - December 22

Journeys Class: Parlor
Discussion-based class for adults of all ages and stages of life. Participants study & discuss the book, Paul: Man of Grace and Grit by Charles Swindoll. Contact Ellen Nesbit ehnesbit@yahoo.com with your questions.

Faith Forum: Room 212
Various class members facilitate in-depth, challenging class discussions within an accepting, open-minded group dynamic. The book to be studied is Holy Envy: Finding God in the Face of Others, a book that gives new insights into the Christian Faith. Contact: Gael Daugherty.

Finding Friends in Faith: Room 211
In this discussion-oriented class facilitated by members of the class, Gary Thomas’ book, Authentic Faith, an eye-opening look at faith that will help you rise above shallow attachments and bolster your faith, is the study book. Contact: Dawn Finguerra 428-6332.

Weekday Christian Educational Opportunities

Thursday Bible Study: Stanton Hall
September 5 - December 5
Meet in Stanton Hall each Thursday from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. for an in-depth study of the New Testament Book of Acts of the Apostles using Acts for Everyone by N. T. Wright. Student responsibilities involve reading the Bible and the study book, as well as responding to questions in the participant’s guide. During our meeting time there is also discussion and prayer.

Men’s Breakfast/Bible Study: Stanton Hall
All men are invited to Stanton Hall from 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. every Tuesday morning for a breakfast cooked by class members followed by a study. The study guide this fall is Christian History 101 by William Ramsay.

Wednesday Kirk Nights

Speakers: Professors from Union Presbyterian Seminary
5:45 - 6:30 p.m. Dinner
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Speaker
Wednesday, October 9: Dr. Ken MCFayden
“Leading & Following in Seasons of Change”

Wednesday, October 30: Dr. Sam Adams

Wednesday, November 13: TBD