



FIRST
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CHURCH of
CHATTANOOGA

**Announcements for the week of
December 2, 2018**

Deacon on Call: Darin Hurley & George Vieth

This Week at FPCC

Sunday, December 2

8:30 AM Early Worship Service, Sanctuary

9:45 AM Sunday School

10:55 AM Fellowship Worship Service, Fell. Hall
Late Worship Service, Sanctuary

12:15 PM Coffee/Coke Fellowship, Coffee Lounge

Monday, December 3

10:00 AM Women's Prayer Time, Session Room

11:00 AM Bible Leaders' Meeting, Tower 404

3:15 PM English Conversation Class, Student Ctr

4:30 PM Adult Enrichment Ministry, Tower 404

7:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal, SS 208

Tuesday, December 4

12:00 PM Beatitude Living, Tower 404

Wednesday, December 5

3:15 PM English Conversation Class, Student Ctr

4:30 PM Deacon-on-Call Appts., Deacon Office
World Missions Prayer Time, Tower 404

5:30 PM Fellowship Meal, Fellowship Hall
Lemon Buttered Chicken Breast (Kid's PB&J available)

6:15 PM Midweek Family Night, Fellowship Hall
Rapha Classes, Tower 3rd Floor

Thursday, December 6

Friday, December 7

8:30 AM Salvation Army Ministry

12:00 PM Card-E-Ology, Tower 10th Floor

6:00 PM First Friends Christmas Banquet, F. Hall

Saturday, December 8

**SPECIAL SERVICE TIMES
FOR CHRISTMAS**

Sundays, December 23 & 30

Worship Services at 10:30am in sanctuary.
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Monday, December 24

Communion Worship Service at 5:00 PM

WORLD MISSIONS

The hope of Advent puts all nations on notice: There is only one true King, and he is Jesus; and the coming of Jesus puts us—your people, face down in adoring love. Over the next several weeks, show us, yet again, how Jesus is a most wonderful and grace-full Savior—Immanuel, the God who is very much with us and who is totally for us. So very Amen we pray, with great anticipation, in Jesus' matchless and merciful name.—Scotty Smith

THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

According to the January 11, 2017, on-line edition of *Christianity Today*, for the third year in a row the modern persecution of Christians worldwide hit another record high; and according to *LifeWay*, a quarter of a billion Christians were facing persecution in 2018. Some of our very own World Mission partners have faced or are facing interrogations, legal barriers to re-entering their country of service, deportations, and harassment. Worse yet, children are being put under tremendous pressure to deny their faith in order to get to their parents. Would you join us in prayer for our partners? Note: World Missions has a time of prayer for our mission partners each Wednesday at 4:30pm in Tower Room 404. All are invited to participate.

PARTNERS OF THE WEEK

Jonathan and Maggie have been a part of a church planting movement in an area of the world where church growth is expanding at massive rates. The couple has partnered with the local Presbyterian denomination to assist with theological training, discipleship, coaching, and resourcing church planters. In addition, Jonathan has assisted with business start-ups that have proven to be a major catalyst for planting new churches, and Maggie ministered to church planter wives. The couple has five daughters, Annie, Lily, Ada, Amelia, and Eleanor. Please pray for this family and God's leading for their continued ministry in their location.

2019 WM FAITH PROMISE GOAL: \$900,000

Contributions to Date: \$785,051

Remaining Need (by December 31, 2018): \$137,949

2019 WM FAITH PROMISE GOAL: \$900,000

Pledges to Date: \$356,162

Remaining Need: \$543,838

*Your financial and prayer support of the
ministry is greatly appreciated.*

First Presbyterian World Missions
Church Planting Movements in Strategic Global Cities

MUSIC MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2018

December 2nd at 4:00 pm

“ALPHA AND OMEGA”

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “Who is, Who was, and Who is to come, the Almighty.”

—Revelation 1:8

Presented by FPCC Adult Choir, Bryan College Chamber Singers & Tabernacle Praise Orchestra.

No tickets required. Concerts are FREE and open to the public. Flyers are available for distribution in the black & white foyer and most entrances. Nursery is provided for infants to 3yrs. Call 267-1206 for more information.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thanks to all who gave of their time, talent, and treasure so that kids around the globe can hear the Gospel of Jesus Christ through Operation Christmas Child. This year, we surpassed our goal of 300 boxes with a total of **327** boxes!!! Also, we are praising the Lord that **1,115** boxes were brought in through our drop-off ministry to serve our community. A special thanks to all of our volunteers especially Sharon Underdown who coordinated the whole effort.

HOPE CHRISTMAS STORE

December 8th at 9am

The Hope Christmas Store strives to recognize the dignity of low-income parents and their role as providers by providing an affordable option to purchase Christmas gifts for their children at significantly reduced prices.

You can actively participate in the Christmas Store in two ways:

First, you can help by donating new toys, African-American dolls, books, electronics, bikes or winter clothing. You can bring your items to the church until Dec. 9th.

Second, you can help decorate the store on **Saturday, December 8th at 9am at 1800 Roanoke Avenue**. Hope transforms its office building into a winter wonderland. Over the past 15 years FPC has played a major role in making that happen. If you have any Christmas lights, decorations, wrapping paper, or old Christmas trees, bring them with you on Dec. 8th. It is a fun time and a great way to get into the Christmas spirit. It is also a great opportunity for families with older kids.

CHRISTMAS CAKES ARE COMING!

Participate in the joy of delivering Christmas cakes to our FPC family who are homebound or hospitalized. Cakes will be available for pick-up at 10:30am in the Connector on Friday, December 7th, as well as Sunday, Dec. 9th after each worship service and Monday, Dec. 12th during church office hours. Thank you for your loving participation!

IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE!

Thursday, December 13, 10:30 am

“Christmas Music in the Air”

Come enjoy a special musical performance with Carman Wolf, pianist, Holly Fe de Leon, violinist, and Richard Lockery, soloist.

Fellowship begins at 10:30AM with the meeting starting at 11AM followed by a lunch at a cost of \$6. RSVP to Janette Barnes, 432-4056, or Rosa Wrenn, 443-7573.

FLOWER MINISTRY

Flowers will be arranged & delivered today following the late worship service by the Bonded in Fellowship Bible Study. All volunteers are welcome.

FPC SERMONS

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