



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN MARIETTA

Sunday, August 10, 2025 | 8:30AM & 11:00AM

WELCOME TO FPC MARIETTA

This church welcomes you no matter who you are or from where you come. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors open wide. If you are passing through, Godspeed; if you are looking for a home, stay here; if you need instruction, we can learn together. We invite you to return often.

Friendship Pad

Whether you are a member, a long-time visitor, or just passing by, please sign the friendship pad at the end of your row.

Children in Worship

The nursery is available for infants through 4-yr-olds from 10:15am-12:15pm. Children are invited to pick up worship items from the blue cart at the entrance to the Sanctuary and Great Hall. Following the Children's Time during the 11:00 service, children in 4yr Pre-K through 1st grade may go to Children's Church.

Stephen Ministers On-Call

A Stephen Minister is on call each Sunday morning from 10:00am through 12:00pm. If you would like to speak with a Stephen Minister during that time, please see the front desk or one of the Deacons on duty, and they will locate them for you.

Chancel Flowers

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the marriage of Jackson and Kiely Roth on August 9, and in memory of the anniversaries of Harrison and Judy Williams on August 4 and Jan and Bonny Gilbert on August 1, in gratitude for the examples of love and dedication they set for us all.

To learn more about the Chancel Flowers or find out how to sign up, please contact Mary Anne Lanier at 17lanier@gmail.com.

Join us

New members are received each month in worship.

If you are interested in joining, please contact Ken Farrar at kenfarrar@icloud.com.



GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

The color green marks the Sanctuary during the time after Pentecost. This season of the church year is a time where the church focuses not so much on feasting (like Christmas and Easter) or penitent reflection (like Advent and Lent) as on watchfulness and expectation of the Second Coming of Christ.

Welcome

Prelude *I'll Fly Away* | Hayes

***Call to Worship** (Isaiah 1)

The Lord's call is clear: wash yourselves and make yourselves clean.

Cease to do evil and learn to do good.

Seek justice and rescue the oppressed.

Defend the orphan and plead for the widow.

If we are willing and obedient, we shall eat the good of the land.

But if we refuse and rebel, we shall be devoured by the sword.

***Hymn of Praise** No. 817 *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight*

Prayer of Confession

O God of hosts,

**We praise your name as we sing the hymns,
but with our hypocrisy, we break your heart.**

**We call on you to hear our prayers,
While we ignore the cries of the oppressed.**

**We ask for grace,
While holding grudges and withholding forgiveness.**

**We ask for help and long to see your face,
Without slowing down to see that you are always near.**

In this silence hear our confession.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?

Only Christ. And Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,

Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Amen.

***Gloria Patri** No. 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

***Greeting One Another with the Peace of Christ**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

11:00am Blessing of the Backpacks

***Hymn of Preparation** No. 432 *How Clear is Our Vocation Lord*

Prayers of the People | The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem

Precious Lord, Take My Hand | Dorsey arr. Ringwald

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 1: 16-20

Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16

The Word of the Lord | **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon *Faith: The Assurance of Things Hoped For, The Conviction of Things Not Seen*

Rev. Joe Evans, Senior Pastor

If you would like to give online go to fpcmarietta.org, or scan this QR code.



WE RESPOND TO GOD

***Affirmation of Faith** | The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Building a Firm Foundation

Offering/Offertory *Allemande* | Bach

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Sending Hymn** No. 463 *How Firm a Foundation*

***Charge and Benediction**

***Choral Benediction** *The Lord Bless You & Keep You* | Lutkin

***Sending Music** *Suite for Organ* | Cole

Today's Worship Leaders

Rev. Joe Evans, Senior Pastor

Rev. Cassie Waits, Associate Pastor of Discipleship

Rev. Meri Kate Marcum, Associate Pastor of Fellowship & Outreach

Rev. Dr. Paul Sherwood, Parish Associate of Congregational Care

Rob Garcia, Building a Firm Foundation Campaign Member

8:30am Acolyte: Deacon | 8:30am Beadle: Larisa Dukes

11:00am Acolyte: Silas Meadows | 11:00am Beadle: Pam Googe

Dr. Jeffrey Meeks, Director of Music & Fine Arts

The Chancel Choir | Dr. Won-Hee An, Interim Organist

8:30am: Steve Jones | 11:00am: Bennett Sherwood, Jimmy Eaves, & John Hills



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BUILDING A FIRM FOUNDATION



Don't miss the Joe Evans Impersonation Contest!

FINISH THE ROOF

FAMILY NIGHT FUN(DRAISER)!

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20
5-8 PM | GLOVER PARK BREWERY

Dinner, entertainment, and nursery provided!



Purchase your tickets today!
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UPDATES:

- Kitchen Equipment replacement (\$25,300): Awaiting quotes
- Livestream and Screen quote received (\$63,362.96)
- Holland Hall Exterior Door: Received and installation scheduled
- Sanctuary Storm Windows: Contract signed. Deposit paid (\$33,931.04). Late September installation
- Speed Building basement HVAC Unit: Contract signed (\$62,000.00)
- Great Hall Organ: Contract signed. Deposit paid (\$86,740.00). Early November installation

COMPLETED:

- Cotten Building renovations
- Ford T350 Van Purchase
- Speed Building, Portico, and walkway Roof
- Scissor Lift delivered!

UPCOMING SUNDAYS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 17

Sunday School Teacher (for Children/Youth) & Child Protection Training (10am)

for ALL who work with Children & Youth!

Don't know if your training is expired?

Email MeriKateMarcum@fpcmarietta.org

Back to School Pool Parties

Children's/Young Adult Pool Party (4pm)

The Clotfelter Home-868 Powder Springs St. 30064

Come hang out, swim, and kick off the school year!

Dinner will be served. Bring a picnic blanket, football/ frisbee, fishing pole, etc.

Youth Back to School Pool Party (4pm)

Join us at Anderson Farm (1100 Burnt Hickory Rd) to kick off the year!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

Regular Nursery Hours Resume (9:30am - 12:15pm)

INVOLVAPALOOZA Engagement Fair (9:30am | Holland Hall)

Family Worship (10am | Sanctuary)

Kick off the new Sunday School year with Family Worship and Teacher Meet & Greet ! ALL parents and children/youth are invited to attend, get important information for the school year, fellowship with one another, meet Sunday School teachers and enjoy a snack together!

Questions? Email MeriKateMarcum@fpcmarietta.org.

Youth Fun & Fellowship (5-7pm)

FPC Youth, join us at Laurel Park for an evening of fun and fellowship. BYO dinner/snack.

THIS WEEK

Presbyterian Women Potluck Monday, August 11 | 11:30am | Holland Hall

PW's Pot Luck Luncheon is fast approaching! We welcome returning members, prospective members, and anyone who is just curious. Our study books will be available to purchase for \$14, so please bring cash or a check made out to FPC Marietta Presbyterian Women. Please bring a dish to share for no more than 6-8 people. Your Leadership Team is looking forward to seeing you and meeting some new people. Please contact Ann Keane at akkeane@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Book Club Kick-Off Wednesday, August 13 | 6pm

Join us in discussing the nonfiction book *Into the Raging Sea*, *Thirty-Three Mariners*, *One Megastorm*, and *the Sinking of El Faro* by Rachel Slade

FPC Pedalers Thursday, August 14 | 9am | from Silver Comet Trail/Tara Drummond Trailhead

We ride for pleasure and a little exercise so it is not a race. We welcome everyone to join us!

Questions? please call or text Jennifer Davis at 404-210-3697 or Nancy Jo Kirk at 678-986-3967.



FIND YOUR  PLACE!

INVOLVAPALOOZA

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An exciting, extraordinary event

AUGUST 24 | 9:30AM

WEEKDAY OPPORTUNITIES

Art Exhibit at Roswell UMC

August 10 - October 12 | Monday-Thursday (10am-4:30pm) and Sunday (9am-1pm)

An Illustration History of the Moravian Church by Bill Needs

Thursday Bible Study

Begins Thursday, August 21 | 11:45am Lunch | Study begins at 12:00pm

Ezekiel: Visions of God's Glory by Douglas Connelly

FPC Men's Group Kick-Off

August 25, September 22, October 20 | 6pm | Dinner Served

A video study on the early church in Israel and Turkey and how these lessons impact us today. Contact John Knox at Jdknox162@gmail.com with questions or to join.

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study

Tuesdays, beginning September 9 | 9:30am-12pm

God of Freedom by Jen Wilkin

Contact Linda Bush: 770-856-8443 or newbush@comcast.net

SAVE THE DATES

September 7

Sunday School resumes (9:45am)

2nd Grade Bible Presentation (11am)

Popsicles in the Park (5:30pm)

Saturday, September 6

Scotland Tour Concert (11am)

Sunday, September 28

Churchwide Picnic (12pm)

**FPC STUDENT
ART CONTEST
& EXHIBIT**

**PRESCHOOL -
COLLEGE AGE**

**ENTRIES
ACCEPTED:
AUG 10-31
PRIZES FOR
WINNERS**

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OPEN POSITIONS AT FPC - Details at fpcmarietta.org/jobs

FPC Nursery Coordinator FPC seeks a part-time Nursery Coordinator to equip, recruit, and develop volunteer support. The Nursery Coordinator supports the vision and guidance of church leadership and maintains the staffing schedule.

Food Manager First Presbyterian Church seeks a part-time Food Manager to manage the overall food ministry functions for the fellowship, ministry and mission of the church. The Food Manager organizes the food ministry including planning menus, purchasing required supplies and supervising kitchen activities, food preparation and cleanup.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Club 3:30

Club 3:30 is getting ready to welcome 30 students for the coming school year and is in need new volunteers and guardian angels. The time commitment is one hour from 4:30-5:30 Monday -Thursday. Volunteers are also needed to provide Wednesday dinners for the kids! Sign up at fpcmarietta.org/events.

If you are interested in finding out more about this wonderful ministry, please contact MaryGroves@fpcmarietta.org or 770-427-0293 ext. 228.

Calling all piano players!

Two weekday ministries are seeking volunteer pianists for the 2025-26 year. The commitment would be 1-2 hours per month. One opportunities is to play simple songs for the monthly Preschool chapel. The other is to play hymns for the Thursday Bible study. To help, please contact CassieWaits@fpcmarietta.org

