

# Solid Rock Review

September 2010

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Musical Praise

## Fall at FPCW



## Fall Worship Schedule

Sundays beginning September 12,  
2010



8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:30 a.m. First Service

9:50 a.m. Sunday School



## Mid-week Recharge

Wednesdays beginning September 15,  
2010

5:00—6:15 p.m.

▶ Dinner in the Multi Purpose Room

6:30—8:00 p.m. - Education for all ages

### Children

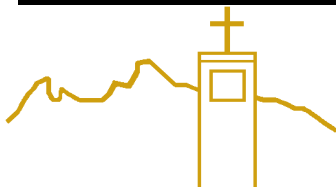
- ▶ AWANA for children Pre K - 5th grade
- ▶ Nursery care for infants through age 3

### Youth Group

- ▶ Middle School Youth grades 6-8—Room 272
- ▶ High School Youth grades 9-12—Youth Room

### Adult Class

- ▶ Pastor Pat's Bible Study —Worship Center



# From Pastor Pat's Pen



Dear Saints of First Presbyterian Church of Wenatchee, Several people have suggested that the Church is like a business in many ways. Certainly, as an organization, we have to steward money like a business might. Business models can certainly help us organize, support, enable and encourage our staff and ministry structures. For those reasons, knowledge of business management can be very helpful in the life of the Church, provided we are always ready to examine whatever model we use in the light of Biblical truth. I would like to borrow a basic business question that frequently confuses

folks when we talk about the Church because the answers vary so widely: what is our product?

Product is a very “business” sounding word. I raise the issue

because I have had a few conversations with people throughout my ministry career who have suggested that as a business we have a product. I have heard many suggestions for what our product might be. A mere sampling of the most popular answers includes: the building in which the Church meets, the worship service we provide, a program we endorse and run, the Pastor we have in the pulpit, or even the Gospel itself. Each answer has an impact on what we understand when we say we are “building the Church”. With so many opinions out there within the Church, no wonder we are confused! There is a biblical answer to the question though that will return us to a passage that we have heard many times before: Matthew 28:18-20. The Great Commission is a hallmark passage for us. In English, the first two phrases are, “Go and make disciples of all nations.” However, in the original language, the only direct command in the passage is “make disciples”. If a product is what you produce, then the “product” the Church makes is disciples. How do we do that? The Great Commission also provides us the means by which

we are to do so. First of all, we must go. The passage does not say bring or display. It says go. If we are to make disciples or reach out for disciples, we must be out interacting with people who do not know Jesus and introducing them to Him. Second of all, we must baptize in a particular way: in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Baptism is integral to the life of the Church and a means by which we make disciples. Third of all, we teach everything that Jesus commanded us. This means by which we make disciples tells us that as a Church we need to be about systematic Bible teaching of the whole Word of God.

If the Church has a “product” in the strictest sense of the business term, the product is disciples of Jesus Christ. Put quite simply; our product is you. God has also given us the means to make more disciples: we go, we baptize, and we teach the Word. This is our roadmap as we seek to work alongside Jesus in the building of the Church out of living stones; the disciples of Jesus Christ.

In Christ

*Pastor Pat*

## *Eight Great Dates!!*

**Who:** For couples (married or dating) with children.

**What:** Couples have a brief time of fellowship and discussion and then go out on a date while their children are cared for.

**Why:** To strengthen couples' relationships and help them meet other couples.

**When:** The last Saturday of each month from 4:30 to 7:30 P.M. This month's date night will be Sept. 25th.

**Where:** Children will be in the gym. Adults will meet in the Brides Room.

**How:** To participate this month sign up at either entrance of the church, call 663-1187 or contact Kristi (kristi@fpcw.org) or Michelle (michelle@fpcw.org) by Monday, Sept. 25th and reserve a spot for you and your children.



# The View from the Bell Tower

The view from here is "fallish." I know that's not really a word - my computer has put a red line under it. But, it has to do with where we are seasonally and worldly.

Where did the summer go? I know the weather has been weird all year. Summer, including August, were really strange with huge temperature differentials from one day to the next. Some days even feeling "fallish" in August when they should have been "summerish."

Now, here we are near the end of summer with fall officially starting this month. Labor Day, the unofficial end of summer and last three day holiday of the year, is as late this year as it can possibly be, on the 7<sup>th</sup>. A new academic year is beginning in all the schools at the same time a new church year starts. The first day of Sunday School will be on the 12<sup>th</sup>, and the beginning of the Mid-week Recharge on the 15<sup>th</sup>. New beginnings, indeed. But, not nearly as big as that in Genesis, chapters 1 and 2, which describe THE beginning - the beginning of everything in

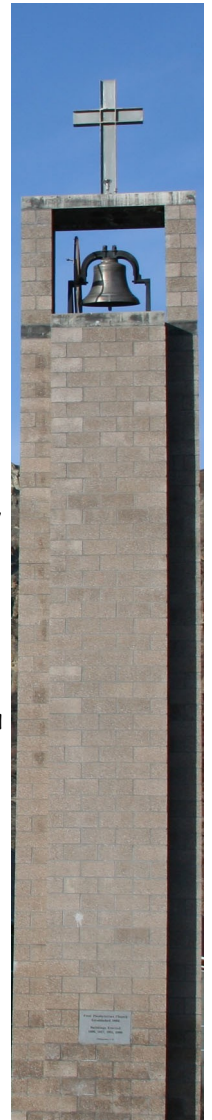
the universe as it was created by our All-powerful God. Our imaginations are not capable of comprehending that process. Our concerns over whether that took six 24 hour periods and a rest, or 6 millennia, or 6 other time periods, are irrelevant. The point is that the Bible tells us that God did it all - in whatever time period it took. There is a God of all creation. How he did it or when he did it do not concern us. What does concern us is the acknowledgment of the greatness of God and accepting what he has done.

God created all that is, including human beings - men and women - for each other and for communion with him. Everything was perfect in chapters 1 and 2. Then chapter 3 - THE fall. Both the man and the woman disobeyed God's direction and fell from his favor. Scripture tells us that all humanity since then has been tainted by the action of Adam and Eve. Because of that we are not fit to be in God's presence. Amazingly, God provided a way to remove that stain through the death

of his Son, Jesus, on the cross. Even though there was a great fall, God had arranged for a great rising - a total cleansing of the stain we live with here on this earth. Luke wrote in the book of Acts, "... then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that his man stands before you healed. He is 'the stone you builders rejected which has become the capstone.'

Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved." (Ac 4:10-12) What a great God!

*Blessings to everyone,  
Pastor Paul*



## Fiscal Faithfulness FPCW Financial Summary Statement

### July

### Year-to-Date

Budgeted Income	Receipts	Expenses	Variance	Budgeted Income	Receipts	Expenses	Variance
\$76,744	\$64,747	\$67,329	(\$2,582)	\$880,000	\$530,733	\$537,393	(\$6,660)

### ***Should I be baptized?***

We have had many baptism requests in August and most of them have been for adults. What an incredible blessing for our congregation to have so many requests! Perhaps you have been wondering: should I be baptized? Let's start with what baptism is.

First, baptism is a commandment direct from Jesus Christ. In fact, it is most frequently used in the Bible as an imperative "be baptized". If you trust in Jesus Christ alone as your Savior and Lord, obedience to Him will involve being baptized. Baptism is a sign and witness to the whole community of faith that you belong in life and death to Jesus Christ and Him alone.

Second, baptism is not a salvation issue. As some have put it, lack of a baptism will not keep you out of heaven. The thief on the cross is a good example of this. He was never baptized and Jesus promised him a place with Him in paradise regardless of the omission. Getting baptized will not get you into heaven either. One can just as easily make a false profession of faith during a baptism as one can anywhere or any time else. It is not a magical washing that will save you from sin. Only Jesus' blood is the detergent that accomplishes that supernatural task. What is at issue is your faith in Christ. If you trust Him and are relying on His sacrifice alone to save you from eternal death in hell, you are saved. Baptism represents either a response to that saving work as an adult or a promise to be raised in the grace of that truth now realized in your adult walk if you were baptized as an infant.

Third, baptism does not need to be repeated. If you are walking in faith now, you do so because of the grace of God. His grace is sufficient and need not be reconfirmed through a second rite.

Finally, the mode of baptism is not critical. Though the Greek word means *to dip*, various amounts of water have been used throughout the history of the Church in this rite; including in some of the earliest writings of the Church fathers. "Sprinklers" would reference Hebrews 10:22 and 12:24 as justification. "Immersion only" folks will cite that New Testament baptisms are most frequently immersions though they cannot be all confirmed as such. Some take issue with this view but as Presbyterians we make use of all modes of baptism, from immersion to sprinkling.

So how do I know if I should be baptized? Here is a little test:

***Do I trust in Jesus Christ alone as my Lord and Savior?*** If no, stop and talk to one of the Elders or Pastors about what it means to trust in Christ as Lord and Savior. Baptism should wait until your answer is yes. If "I don't know", stop and call one of the Pastors or Elders before going any further. If yes, keep going. You need to be baptized.

***Have I been baptized before?*** If yes, stop. You need not be baptized again. If no, talk to Pastor Pat or Paul to schedule a time. You need to be baptized. If "I don't know", then keep going.

***How do I know if I have been baptized before?*** Ask your parents and get confirmation from whatever Church you may have attended. All churches keep records of baptisms. If you have been baptized, you do not need another one. If you haven't, keep going. You need to be baptized. If your answer is "I still don't know"; keep going. You need to be baptized.

***How do I get baptized?*** Set up a time with Pastor Pat or Paul and talk with us about a date and a mode for your baptism. Generally we do them in front of the whole congregation on a Sunday morning by sprinkling as an encouragement to you and the whole body in their faith. If you wish to be immersed though, we will make other arrangements.

**Worship in the Park**  
All Valley Worship Service

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**Featured speaker:**  
**Jeff Kemp**

More Information:  
(509) 663-4673

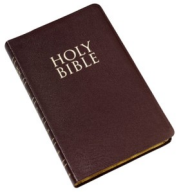
**Location . . .**

Lincoln Park Band shell **September 19, 2010** Sunday Afternoon—4:00 pm ~  
Complete Worship Service with Music! *Bring blankets or lawn chairs to sit on and invite a friend!*

# FPCW Children and Family

## Kid's Corner

Michelle Klock, Director of Children's Ministries  
michelle@fpcw.org, 663-1187



### 3rd grade Bibles

Presentation of 3rd grade bibles - contact Michelle Klock if you have a child entering 3rd grade this fall at 663-1187 or michelle@fpcw.org We would love to give your child a special bible!

## Sunday School !

~**Sunday School Begins September 12th!** We need adults who are willing to teach or assist once each month. Everyone works in pairs and the curriculum is "Hands on Bible", which is easy to use and fun to teach! The preparation is done for you so it is very easy and requires little time commitment. Please pray about this ministry opportunity! You will be blessed beyond understanding!



## Midweek Recharge AWANA

~**Begins September 15th!**

The Awana Ministry at FPCW has the following clubs:

**Cubbies:** 3 & 4 year olds  
(1 or 2 years prior to entering Kindergarten. Cubbies must have their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday before September 1 to participate in Cubbies.)

**Sparks:** Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

**Truth and Training:** 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5th grade

Nursery childcare will be provided for families attending Pastor Pat's Bible Study !!!

Contact Michelle Klock, michelle@fpcw.org 663-1187 if you have questions or are interested in being a leader.



## Great Dates

~**September 25, 2010, 4:30-7:30~** Couples will have a brief time of fellowship and learning and then go out on a date while their children have a fantastic time playing on the big blow-up toy and watch a VeggieTales movie! Free childcare for children birth through 6th grade. Sign up at the church!

# BBO and Train Rides



**September 12  
4-6 p.m.**

**At Riverfront  
Railway Park**

**The entrance is off Worthen by the pedestrian bridge.**

**Everyone is welcome !**

**Please bring a salad or dessert to share, and something to sit on. We provide the rest!  
Questions? Call Kristi 663-1187 ext 205 kristi@fpcw.org**

## Hallelujah Party

**October 31, 2010**

Family Ministry has decided to have a Hallelujah Party on Halloween! This will be a "carnival" type event open to the public. It will be held from 4-6 pm in our church facility. Because we are offering this to the community we will need lots of help.

Will you please consider helping in one or more of the following areas?

Party committee  
Publicity  
Food  
Recruitment

Set up  
Clean up  
Run an activity/booth  
Miscellaneous tasks

Please contact Kristi at 663-1187 ext. 205 if you would like to help!



# FPCW Happenings

## ***Mid-Week Recharge 2010-2011***

I am so glad to tell you that we are going to continue with mid-week recharge this year in an expanded way! You will see in other parts of the newsletter that we are starting an AWANA program for young children, the nursery will be open again, youth group will be going like gangbusters as usual, and the Pastor's Bible study will resume as well. The schedule for each evening will be as follows:

- 5:00-6:15 PM Meals served from the kitchen with seating in the gym. The last meals will be served at 6 PM in order to allow time for our kitchen volunteers to clean up and make it to their classes on time. Parents will not be allowed to drop their children off at either AWANA classrooms or the nursery until 6:15 PM. There will be no child care supervision until then.
- 6:15-6:30 PM Remove tables and chairs from the gym, parents check their children into the nursery and AWANA. Youth group kids will stay put in the gym and adults will make their way to the worship center. Room assignments will be posted for AWANA kids by age.
- 6:30-8:00 PM All programs for all ages will start at 6:30 and end at 8 PM. The Youth group will have the gym for the first 30 minutes and after that it will be used by AWANA.

The yearly calendar for mid-week recharge is below (breaks marked in bold italics):

We begin: September 15-November 17

***Break-the week of Thanksgiving-November 24***

Resume: December 1-15

***Advent break-December 22-January 5***

Resume: January 12-March 2

Worship service: March 9-combined Ashe Wednesday service with Eastmont Presbyterian in the worship center; fellowship meal ahead of time!

Resume: March 16-30

***Break-April 6-Spring Break***

Resume and conclude: April 13-May 25

Pastor's Bible Studies will include the following: Joel-***What's that in the Sky?***, Micah-***Who is Like our God?***, Nahum-***Praise God; the Heavenly Warrior***, Malachi-***The Son of Righteousness***, a Lenten book study-***10 Questions to Diagnose Your Spiritual Health*** by Donald Whitney (books will need to be purchased for \$10 for the Lenten study), and 2 Timothy-***Studies in Faithfulness***.

Last year we saw great participation and it is our hope to see that grow this year. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday evenings!

In Christ, Pastor Pat

The ***FPCW Book Club*** will begin its second year Friday, September 10, 6:30 pm, at Roberta Vanderlin's, 9 North Pershing. Even if you have not read (or finished) the book choice, you are welcome to join us as we discuss books using a Christian perspective.

In September we are having a Richard III evening. Was he really a villain? There are two books to read. The first is ***Richard III*** by Shakespeare. This is the second-longest play by Shakespeare, probably written in 1592. The second book is ***The Daughter of Time*** by Josephine Tey. She is considered one of the great mystery writers of all time. She died in 1952. This book was written in 1951. "Truth is the daughter of time—Old Proverb." This is a work of fiction that presents a contemporary portrait of Richard III that bears no resemblance to the wicked uncle of history.

Both books are available for our group at the library in the book club section. At our October 8 meeting we will discuss ***Dancing at the Rascal Fair*** by Ivan Doig. The Doig book will be available at the library after September 10.

For book club members:

I am looking forward to our discussions....it has been a long two months without you. I read "Daughter of Time" flying back and forth to Michigan and thoroughly enjoyed it. It took a bit to try to keep the characters straight; the genealogy printed in my copy helped....some. Also bring ideas and/or books as suggestions for future month's discussions.

# FPCW Happenings

## ***Adult Sunday School classes begin September 12***

Meet in the gym at 9:50 a.m. on Sunday, September 12, for an overview and discussion of the new fall Adult Sunday school classes.

***Prayer of the Lord*** - We pray the Lord's Prayer almost every Sunday. Have you ever stopped to think of what the words mean? Dr. R. C. Sproul unpacks this prayer line by line with his trademark clarity. You will learn what this prayer says about the fatherhood of God, the kingdom of God, the will of God, forgiveness and temptation in ways you have likely never considered. This class will also deal with the issues between God's sovereignty and prayer. Go deeper in your understanding of God's word and of prayer in general.

***Dust to Glory video series with Dr. R. C. Sproul*** - Most Christians know a lot about the New Testament but few have a good understanding of the Old Testament. In this video series Dr. R. C. Sproul provides a study tour of the major themes of the Old Testament. It is a great opportunity for you to gain a better understanding of the key teachings of the Old Testament and gain a richer understanding of how it relates to the New Testament. Each week a video will be shown, approximately 23 minutes long, that covers a major Old Testament theme and then there will be time for discussion and questions. Take this challenge to gain a better understanding of the whole Bible.

***Christian Ethics in the Workplace*** - There is probably no place that our values, ethics and beliefs are tested more than at work. Whether you are a volunteer, an employee, a supervisor or a business owner you will be challenged to live out your faith as you live out your vocation. "Christian Ethics in the Workplace" will present actual case studies that present ethical dilemmas that most of us face every day of our working lives. Participants in this class will be challenged to look first at what God's Word reveals about their role in the workplace rather than relying on the wisdom of classical business management theories.

### **Senior Men's Bible Study**

begins, Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. We will be studying the Gospel of Matthew. Read the first two chapters and join us in room 222. Hope you can come join us. ~ Jim Burdick

### **Precept Inductive Bible Study begins in September!**

How does the life of a believer, one who is born of God play out in our life's circumstances and relationships? What does it mean to be holy. . . to love God? Find answers to these and other questions as we take a look back at the fundamentals of Christian beliefs. We invite you to join with us as we begin an exciting in-depth and inductive study in the book of **1 John**.

Classes are offered both Mondays 3:45- 6 P.M. beginning September 20 and Tuesdays 9-11 A.M. beginning September 21, 2010. To register, reserve a workbook, or inquire further please call Cindy Bumps at 669-3933 or Sue Carlson at 662-6853.

### **LIVING PROOF LIVE**

Featuring  
**Beth Moore**



***Beth Moore Simulcast  
Eastmont Baptist Church  
Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>  
9:00am ~ 4:30pm  
Cost: A full day for only \$32!  
Registrations due by  
Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>  
(no refunds)***

Next month Eastmont Baptist Church will broadcast Beth Moore's "Living Proof" via satellite. You will receive coffee, pastries, a box lunch, 2 sessions of Living Proof, worship time, and a follow up social hour. Hurry, there is still time to come by the church and pick up a registration.

*Please make checks out to Eastmont Baptist Church.  
Payment is due with registration by September 10<sup>th</sup>.*

### **Make a joyful noise!**

As we begin a new school year, we have a ministry opportunity to serve our Lord Jesus Christ through music. Handbell rehearsals begin Thursday September 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM. Trinity choir rehearsals also begin on Thursday night, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. We invite you to consider joining our music ministry team. Any questions, please call Michelle Loudon at 663-1187 ex 206.



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Return Service Requested

September

Brice Hull	9/1	Jo Ann Detjen	9/17	Erik Sundet	9/25
Jared Jaeger	9/1	Leah Hammond	9/17	Shirley Fair	9/26
Bob Butcher	9/2	Ed Hewitt Jr	9/18	Amy Lammert	9/26
Gayle Ehler	9/3	Gay Auckland	9/19	Curtis Broberg	9/27
Frank Leighton	9/3	Tom Halvorson	9/19	Peter Culp	9/27
Janet Hill	9/4	Charlene Paynter	9/19	Gail Dix	9/27
Mark Smeltzer	9/7	Amelia Browne	9/20	Marliss Jones	9/27
Tiffany Taylor	9/7	Paul Griffith	9/20	John Robinson	9/27
Mark Young	9/7	Myrna Hewitt	9/21	Katie Broberg	9/28
Dick Parkhill	9/8	Diane Larson	9/21	Virginia Burnett	9/28
Dean Murray	9/9	Pat Oberg	9/21	Wendie Dyal	9/28
Kay Avery	9/10	Daniel Ryan	9/21	Jean Hanson	9/28
Don Moser	9/10	West Mathison	9/22	Duane Troxler	9/28
Dianne McGinness	9/11	Wyatt Scheibner	9/22	Mikael Gavin	9/29
Sharon Erickson	9/13	Jordan Brown-Cresap	9/23	Jay Gorham	9/29
Vickie Hammond	9/13	Jim Burdick	9/23	Rye Mathison	9/29
Sue Reid	9/13	Nella Griffith	9/23	Jean Ludwick	9/30
Paige Reischl	9/13	Kay Havlicek	9/24	Diana McLean	9/30
Zachary Noyd	9/14	Jim Brehmer	9/25	Ellen Pell	9/30
JT Halvorson	9/15	Jim Mills	9/25		

Birthday's