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HAGGAI

~ a Call to Blessing

Oct. 26 - Nov 23

The mission of First Presbyterian Church of Bartow is:
making it simple for people to find and follow Jesus

- ♦ experience a personal relationship with Jesus Christ,
- ♦ grow in faith,
- ♦ live their lives in loving relationship with Christ, and
- ♦ minister to those outside the Christian faith.

As a church family, we are committed to being people who **LOVE**:

1) Jesus 2) God's Word 3) One Another 4) Our City 5) Families 6) Stewardship

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MORNING WORSHIP

PRAISE AND ADORATION

ACOLYTES

GATHERING SONG

"Dry Bones"

arr. By Mark Hayes

FPC Chancel Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 40:1-3

Leader: I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry! He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure!

All: *He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD!*

*SONGS OF PRAISE

"Open The Eyes Of My Heart"

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart.

I want to see You; I want to see You.

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, Open the eyes of my heart.

I want to see You; I want to see You.

To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory.

Pour out Your power and love, As we sing holy, holy, holy.

Holy, holy, holy, Holy holy, holy,

Holy, holy, holy, I want to see You.

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"Abide"

For my waking breath, For my daily bread, I depend on You, I depend on You.

For the sun to rise, For my sleep at night, I depend on You, I depend on You.

Chorus: You're the way, the truth and the life, You're the well that never runs dry.

I'm the branch and You are the vine. Draw me close and teach me to abide.

Where the Spirit leads, As I'm following I depend on You, I depend on You.

For the victories Still in front of me I depend on You, I depend on You.

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Chorus 2: You're the way the truth and the life; You're the well that never runs dry
I'm the branch and You are the vine. Draw me close and teach me to abide.
Be my strength, my song in the night. Be my all, my treasure, my prize,
I am Yours, forever You're mine. Draw me close and teach me to abide

When I pass through death, As I enter rest, I depend on You, I depend on You.
For eternal life, To be raised with Christ, I depend on You, I depend on You.

Repeat Chorus 2

Oh, would you teach me, Would You teach me to abide?
I depend on You, I depend on You.

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"Nothing But The Blood"

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Chorus: Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my pardon this I see, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
For my cleansing this my plea, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Repeat Chorus

Nothing can for sin atone, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
Naught of good that I have done, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Repeat Chorus

This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus;
This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Repeat Chorus

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PRAYER

RECEIVE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Christ our Lord who taught us to pray:

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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

After Children's Moment, children K-5th grade may be excused to Children's Church

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GOD'S WORD TO US

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Haggai 1:1-6

SERMON

Building His Kingdom

Rev. Barry Gray

*SONG OF RESPONSE

"What A Beautiful Name"

You were the Word at the beginning, One with God the Lord Most High.
Your hidden glory in creation, Now revealed in You, our Christ.
What a beautiful Name it is, What a beautiful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a beautiful Name it is, Nothing compares to this.
What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

You didn't want heaven without us, So Jesus, You brought heaven down.
My sin was great, Your love was greater; What could separate us now?
What a wonderful Name it is, What a wonderful Name it is,
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a wonderful Name it is, Nothing compares to this.
What a wonderful Name it is, The Name of Jesus.
What a wonderful Name it is, The Name of Jesus.

Death could not hold You, The veil tore before You.
You silence the boast of sin and grave.
The heavens are roaring The praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again.

You have no rival, You have no equal. Now and forever God, You reign.
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name above all names.

What a powerful Name it is, What a powerful Name it is.
The Name of Jesus Christ, my King.
What a powerful Name it is, Nothing can stand against.
What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus.
What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus.
What a powerful Name it is, The Name of Jesus.

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*THE DOXOLOGY

"Doxology"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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*BENEDICTION

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Building His Kingdom

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1. Meaningful change always takes _____, it takes _____, and it takes _____.
2. According to God's plan, they were the right _____, in the right _____, wanting to do the right _____, for the right _____.
3. The most important thing we're all called to do is to contribute to building the _____ by making more disciples.
4. They wanted to build for the right reasons, not to build a _____ to themselves or to assert their _____ from Persia as they were accused of doing, but to build it simply to _____ God.
5. God has called each one of us without regard to our _____, our _____, our personal _____ or our social standing to equally participate in this most important work of building his Kingdom here.
6. God calls us to follow _____ wherever he leads us and to be adaptable to whatever he is doing in the world and in our local community. This is not about our _____ or our _____; this is about growing in Christ through _____ to him.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO MORNING WORSHIP! — We are so glad you're here! We hope you are able to feel God's presence here as you worship with us this morning! We invite everyone, members, guests and visitors alike to please take a moment to **sign in using the red attendance pad located in each pew and pass it down to your neighbor.** Welcome!



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER — Jacob Albritton, Reggie Arnold, Mica Barrington, Jesse Beeles, Laurie Benton, John Bianco, Sonja Bianco, Ariana Blakeslee, Drew & Priscilla Boren, Dr. Bill Brown in China, Holly & Don Cameron, Kathi Colvin, Marsha Dalley, Liam Daniels, Amy Davis, David Delph, Tracy Eades, Fred Egli, Becky Falcone, Saylor Falletta, Maggie Foster, Janey Fox, Karin Gray, Larry Guice, Sarah Hallock, Dot Harris, Doug Hartsaw, Everleigh Henderson, June Hollingsworth, Travis Hoover, Adrianna Jackson, Kayla Jackson, Matthew Johnson, Paul Johnson, Johnathan Kimble, Brian Kunz, Kelli Losh, Bill McClintock, David McClintock, Monette Monroe, Ezra Myers, Lisa Nichols, Becky Arnold Pate, David Patt, Willene Pawley, Angie & Albert Reese, Ralf & Ashley Revis, Melissa Robinson, Benjamin Sanchez, Robert Sanchez, Luke Shaver, Lisa Shenson, John Stansel, David Stewart, Toni Strickland, Vicki Tillis, Debbie & Ted Turbe, Cathy Whistin, Glenda Wiggins, Our Pastor & family, Our Elders, Staff, & Pastor Nominating Committee, Our Children & Youth, Our Military & their families, Our Nation, Leaders, Community & Our Church.

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER PERSON — Linda Munroe

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP meets Sundays at 4:00 PM in the Church Office to pray for the needs and concerns of our church family and friends. All are invited to join the group.

WOMEN OF THE CLOTH - MONDAYS - 9:30 AM TO 1 PM — Join Women of the Cloth sewing group Mondays from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM in the East Room. Stay for the day or drop in for a bit as we work on outreach projects or individual projects. The group is currently working on tote bags for children in the Guardian ad Litem program. All skill levels are welcome!

MONDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP will meet tomorrow evening, October 27th, at 6:00 PM at the home of **Karin Gray, 3003 Fin Road, Winter Haven**. Bring a covered dish, your Bible and a friend. The Monday Night Women's Bible Study & Fellowship meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 6:00 PM.

THURSDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY — NEW LOCATION — 7:00 AM every Thursday at **Broadway Diner; 1380 N. Broadway Ave. Bartow**.

THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets each Thursday, September—May at 9:30 AM in the East Room.

EMMAUS BOARD MEETING & GATHERING Saturday, November 1st in the Fellowship Hall. Board meeting at 3 PM followed by Gathering at 5 PM.

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FPC BARTOW TRUNK OR TREAT

October 29, 2025

Join us for Dinner, Fellowship, and Trunk or Treat!
Feel free to come in costume and be sure to bring a basket!
Dinner at 5:30pm with **Trunk or Treat** to follow!

Where: Oaks Parking Lot; West of Sanctuary; Bartow 33830
Questions: email Office@fpcbartow.org



Trick or Treat yo' self and join us for this
fa-boo-lous evening of fellowship & fun!

Vehicle Signup Sheet : in Narthex of Sanctuary; If you
can't decorate a vehicle, bring candy to hand out

Time for the annual Community Service Center

HOLIDAY *Food Drive*

Items needed are:
nonperishable food items, canned goods and gift cards



Please bring your donations by Wednesday, October 29th

Bring your donation to church or drop off at the Church Office

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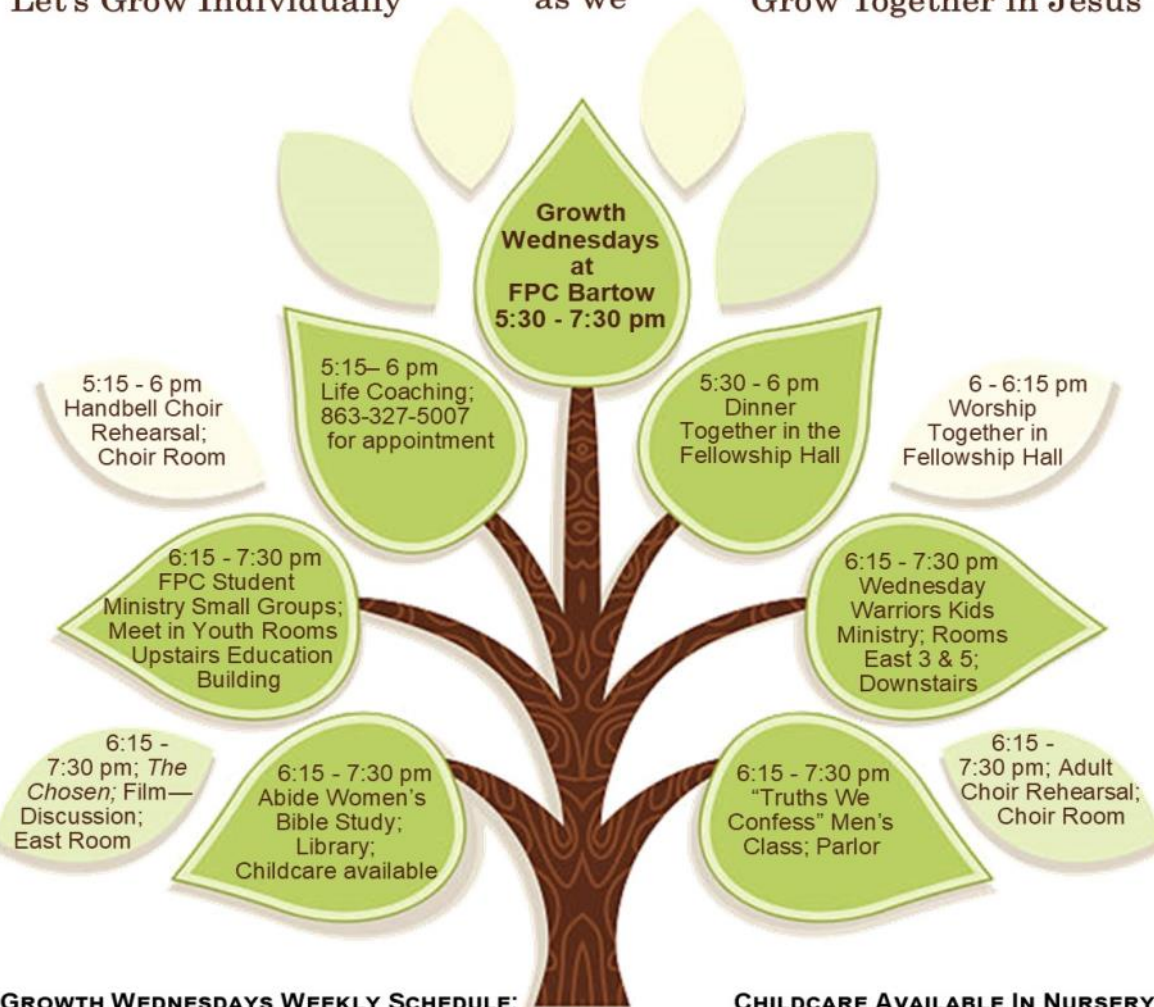
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Growth Wednesdays • FPC Bartow • 5:30-7:30 pm

Let's Grow Individually as we Grow Together in Jesus



GROWTH WEDNESDAYS WEEKLY SCHEDULE:

CHILDCARE AVAILABLE IN NURSERY

- 5:15 - 6 p.m. — Handbell Choir Rehearsal; Choir Room
- 5:30 - 6 p.m. — Supper served in the Fellowship Hall. Suggested donation - \$5 per person.
- 5:30 - 7 p.m. — 'Made for More' Life Coaching with Deena Fussell; 10-15 minute appointments available; text (863) 327-5007 to make an appointment
- 6:00 - 6:15 p.m. — Worship Together — Praise and Prayer in the Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — FPC Student Ministry Small Groups; Student Ministry Rooms upstairs, Education Building
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — Wednesday Warriors Kids Ministry; Rooms West 3 & 5; Downstairs
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — *The Chosen* — Film / Discussion; Small Group Study; East Room
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — Choir Rehearsal; Choir room
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — Abide Women's Bible Study; meet in Library
- 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. — "Truths We Believe"; Men's Study; Meet in Parlor; West hall in Fellowship Hall

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FAMILY

MINISTRY

Hey Church Family! Everyone is invited to a short interest meeting right after morning worship on Sunday, November 2nd. We will meet in the sanctuary, so after the benediction head on down to the first few pews to hear a bit more about this fun ministry at FPC Bartow. Whether you're a parent, grandparent, or passionate about supporting families in our church, we'd love for you to be there! We are seeking volunteers to help with kids and youth activities, small group leaders, and someone to drive the church van on Wednesdays to pick up anyone who is unable to drive. If you have a heart for serving and a passion for helping join us on **Sunday, November 2nd after morning worship!**



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