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**PUBLICATION NOTICE:** Your pastor, the Editor-in-Chief of this Newsletter, will be away on vacation for three Sundays in June. Erica Colding, however, will make sure that an abbreviated edition of the Newsletter will be prepared and circulated according to our normal schedule.

If you have an article to be published in the Newsletter, please send it directly to Erica ([info@fpcovictoria.org](mailto:info@fpcovictoria.org)) by no later than *Tuesday at noon* in the week you *want it to be published*.

Meanwhile, even if our Newsletter may at times be shorter than usual, it is only because things generally slow down a bit in the summer (for instance, PW does not meet, PDS is not in session, and our Adult Sunday School Class is going to take a break for a bit this summer).

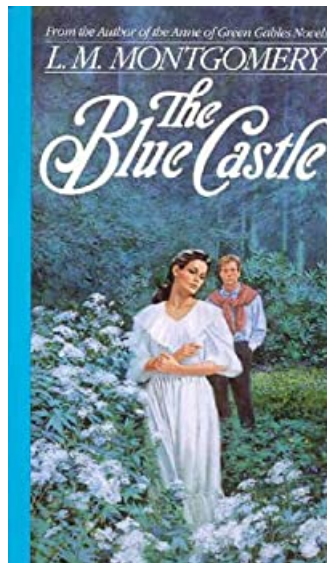
Faith never takes a vacation, however. Exciting things are happening at FPC, and we hope you will continue to worship with us this summer so that you may be aware of the dynamic things that are happening as we continue to contemplate and implement the next steps in *Our Journey Forward!*



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON  
SUNDAY MORNING, JUNE 25, 2023, AT 10:30 A.M.  
AS WE ALSO CELEBRATE  
THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Please join us this Sunday on June 25, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. The Scripture readings are Jeremiah 20:7-13 and Matthew 10:24-39. The title of the sermon is "It Only Takes a Spark," and a copy of the Bulletin for this service can be found here: <https://fpcofvictoria.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/2023-6-25-Bulletin-PDF.pdf>

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**BOOK CLUB RESUMES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 2023, AT 1:00 P.M.**

It's summer, and thus time to find and read a good book (or several!). On Tuesday, August 22, 2023, at 1:00 p.m., the Book Club will convene to discuss *The Blue Castle*, by L.M. Montgomery. Now is a good time to get your copy and spend some leisure time reading it (you know you want to!).

Plan to gather with friends at the end of summer to share your love of reading and to trade reviews of *The Blue Castle*.

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**HEADS UP:  
ANOTHER RUMMAGE SALE  
IS BEING PLANNED FOR  
FRIDAY, JULY 28, THROUGH SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2023!**

As the dates for our rummage sale get closer, we want to mention that volunteers are needed to make our tasks lighter as we engage in the preparations necessary to make this event as successful as it was last year.

We will be arranging and pricing items for sale during the week of July 24 – 27, Monday through Thursday, during the church's normal office hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). The sale itself will take place over two days, specifically, Friday, July 28 and Saturday, July 29, each day from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Please bring your donated items to the church during office hours anytime between now and July 26th (the earlier the better), and if possible, please plan to come help us to get things ready during the week of the sale.

Meanwhile, keep your eye out for those things that you believe deserve a new home and a fresh start with some other happy owner who will be looking for bargains at our rummage sale!

To make sure your items are here and ready to go on time, you can start bringing items to the church to be dropped off. Please stop by at a time

convenient for you during office hours and we will store your items until the sale date.

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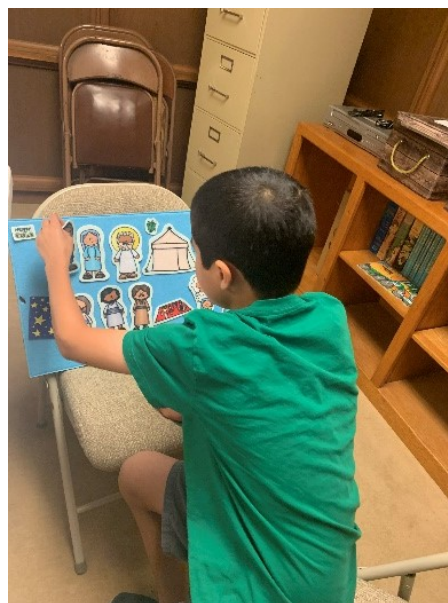
**OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL  
FOR AGES 5-12**



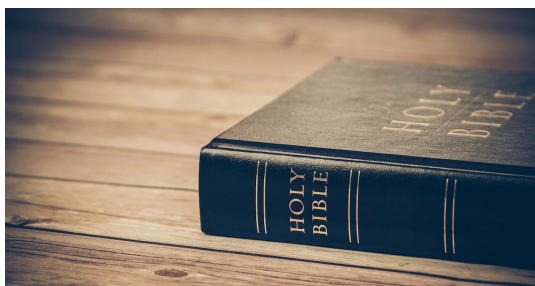
Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these". Matt 19:14

We will be back on 06/25, so join us as we start our new lessons on Joseph and the coat of many colors.

Join us on Sunday mornings from 9:45 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Children ages 5-12 are welcome. Contact Leila Galvan at 956-367-2234 if you have questions or would like to participate. All are welcome!







## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

- The Nellie Hudson Adult Sunday School Class will resume on Sunday, July 23, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor.
  - Kingdom Kids: We are back this Sunday, June 25, at 9:45 AM. Join us! We hope to see you there.
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Our schedule for future cleaning sessions appears below (all dates are on a Friday). If you have some time to help us save money for the church while enjoying fellowship with good friends who take pride in our church, please join us. No prior experience required!

June 23 at 10:00 AM: Sanctuary & Restrooms

July 14 at 10:00 AM: Office Spaces & Halls

July 28 at 10:00 AM: Kitchen & Fellowship Hall

Peace, grace, mercy,

Pastor Jim

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