

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR WORSHIP  
ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2024, AT 10:30 A.M.**

Please join us for worship this Sunday, the Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost at 10:30 a.m. Our Scripture readings will be John 6:35, 41-51 ("Stop grumbling among yourselves," Jesus answered) and 1 Kings 19:4-8 (Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, 'Get up and eat.'). A copy of the bulletin can be found here: <https://fpcovictoria.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/2024-8-11-Bulletin-PDF.pdf>

***A Special Worship Note***

This Sunday we welcome back Rev. Carol Rahn!

In the absence of Robert Wyatt, C. F. Schneider will provide the music for this Sunday's service.

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Submitted by Donald Anderson

**"God Provides"**

Psalm 34:1-8

**A Good God Gives Refuge**

*O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him -  
Psalm 34:8*

When you go to the grocery to buy fresh apples, you find quite a few varieties. They may all look delicious, but you cannot really know if they are good unless you taste them. Likewise, you may enter a mattress store to find that perfect bed, but you cannot know how it feels unless you test it.

In this passage, you are invited to taste and see the Lord. To taste is to feast in the Word of God. We see God when we fix our eyes on God in prayer. Taste and see to know God's goodness. Taste and see to allow God to be part of your daily life. Trust God with your day-to-day challenges. Feast on the Word, look to God in prayer, and take refuge with God.

**Daily Prayer**

*Lord, help me learn to trust you and to know you better. Let me taste and see  
your goodness. Amen*

*Suzanne Shirrell, Greensburg, Kentucky*



*Submitted by Bonnie Wilkinson*

## **Presbyterian Women Fall Gathering Saturday, August 17**

The PW Fall Gathering is almost here, and we could not be more excited!

A wonderful team from FPC Victoria has been working together for months to plan a day of celebration with friends and neighbors from Presbyterian Women across the Victoria Region. Those attending can look forward to a fun day of fellowship, worship, planning for the upcoming year, door prizes . . . and some tasty food!

To register or volunteer to help, contact Bonnie at [brwwcw@hotmail.com](mailto:brwwcw@hotmail.com) or 361.571.7081. Hope you join us!

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**missions  
and outreach**

## **Victoria Salvation Army Back to School Project**

Your Mission and Outreach Committee has partnered with several other non-profit organizations and businesses to participate in the Salvation Army's Back to School project. A \$500 check from FPC, Victoria has already been delivered to the Salvation Army, but we need more help.

On Sunday, August 11, 2024, there will be a special offering to support this important and worthy project. Please open your check books and help the children of Victoria with much needed clothes, shoes, and school supplies.



### **November Brown Bag Scavenger Hunt**

Please stay tuned for the November Brown Bag Scavenger Hunt to help Victoria Christian Assistance Ministry (VCAM) in providing food to their clients during the Thanksgiving time.

VCAM needs staple items: canned fruit & vegetables, packaged rice & beans, small, canned tomato sauce for their pantry. Items for the homeless such as: easy-open canned meats, nutrition bars, bottled waters, and fruit cups.

Other items needed: small toiletry items, washcloths, towels & blankets.

Visit the website at: [www.vcamvictoria.org](http://www.vcamvictoria.org) or Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/vcam.org/> for VCAM services or news.

**When you bring a bag of cat or dog food for our Paw Bites program please also bring an equal amount of the items listed above for our humans in need of our help.**



### **Paw Bites – Meals on Wheels**

Thank you to all who drop off your cat and dog food. It is always a blessing to hear the “thank you's” and words from the Meals on Wheels staff when our bags of food are delivered to the Meals on Wheels office. So far in the month of July you have delivered 38` pounds of dog food and 28 pounds of cat food to those that depend on their cat or dog for their only companionship.

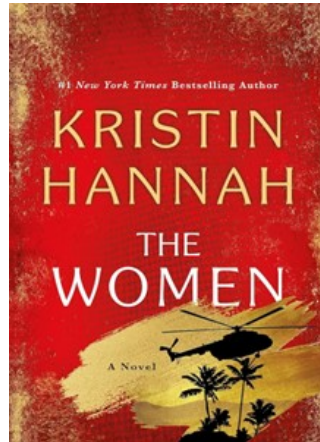
Your support of this important work of God in our community is being felt in the lives of many. We do this in the name of Jesus Christ.

### **Christ’s Kitchen**

Christ Kitchen continues the amazing task of feeding over 200 mouths every day except Sunday. The Kitchen, as some call it, also is a wonderful place to share time with other volunteers. It is a fun place to see how our community continues to respond to the needs of those that are less fortunate than we are. They need you to volunteer. Contact the church office, Billy Leske, or Frances Miller about how you can spend 2-4 hours a week serving a community just across the fence. We are all created in the image of God and each person that graces The Kitchen each day are seen as the same whether one is a volunteer or one that is hungry for a fresh, hot meal.



Please join us on Wednesday, August 28th at 2pm for our next Summer read. Our book selection for August is *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. The main character in the book, Frances McGrath, hears the words, “Women can be heroes”, and dares to imagine a different future for herself. Joining the Army Nurse Corp., she follows her brother to Vietnam. Amazon describes this story as an intimate portrait of coming of age in a dangerous time and an epic tale of a nation divided. With rave reviews, this book promises great discussion by our book club. Even if you will not be joining us, we hope you will read the book as it is said to be a book that will stay with you long after reading it.



### **VCAM ANNUAL RAFFLE FUNDRAISER**

*Submitted by Becky Richter*

The Victoria Christian Assistance Ministry (VCAM) has started selling raffle drawing tickets to support its annual fundraiser. Established in 1986, VCAM is a non-profit organization which serves as a safety net for families in Victoria County in need of food, clothing and other basic needs. This year's raffle drawing includes \$5,000 in HEB gift cards as well gift cards to local restaurants and retail businesses. Tickets are \$5.00 each or six (6) tickets for \$25.00. The raffle drawing will be held at 12:00 pm noon on Friday, October 4, 2024, at the VCAM office. Becky Richter, current member of the VCAM Board of Directors, will be selling tickets if you are interested in supporting our fundraiser again this year.

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### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Nellie Hudson Sunday School will resume our bible studies at 9:30am on September 8<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to join us, please contact Dawn Neel at (361)652-3925 and a study booklet will be provided to you. Our first six-week study will be from the PC(U.S.A.) curriculum, Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding. The subject title is *Christian Living in God's Splendor* by Kendra G. Holtz and Matthew T. Mathews. We hope you will join us. Until then, stay cool in God's blessings!



**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**

Submitted by Leila Galvan

"So let us strive to bear this fruit, and let God's love shine through us too. For when we do, the world will see the love of God through you and me." We

have wrapped up our series on the Fruit of the Spirit and enjoyed every bit of it!

Join us on Sunday as we start our lesson on Lazarus.

Contact Leila Galvan at 956-367-2234, or the church office, if you have questions or would like to participate.

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### **AUGUST PULPIT SUPPLY LIST**

We would like to take a moment to welcome our visiting Pastors for August!

August 18 - Bette Burris

August 25 - Carol Rahn

Join us any Sunday in August for a great sermon, and fellowship.

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