



**PLEASE JOIN US FOR WORSHIP
ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024, AT 10:30 A.M.**

Please join us for worship this Sunday, the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, at 10:30 a.m. Our Scripture readings will be Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 (A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold) and James 2:1-10, 14-17 (My brothers and sisters, do not claim the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ of glory while showing partiality). A copy of the bulletin can be found here: <https://fpcofvictoria.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/2024-9-8-Bulletin-PDF.pdf>

A Special Worship Note

This Sunday we welcome back Allen Mosiman!



"Changing Your Heart "

Mark 7:24-37

Changing Your Mind from the Heart

She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter.

Mark 7:26

Having moved faith traditions as an adult, I have changed my mind quite a bit about what I believe. This has been the result of examining my beliefs with my heart. I now fervently believe that our beliefs should not ignore our hearts but should be able to sing in concert with our God-given emotions.

One reason why I changed churches was because of my children's hearts. Above all, I wanted them to feel safe and loved. The mother who comes to Jesus is living a deeply emotional experience because her daughter is suffering. She believes that Jesus can cast out this demon because this is the deepest desire of her heart. Jesus changes his mind in part because of her passion. How have your desires and passions shaped your beliefs? Do you need to consider changing your mind about any long-standing beliefs?

Daily Prayer

God, we give thanks for hearts that feel deeply and change minds as a result.

Amen



Submitted by Becky Richter

**MARK YOUR CALANDERS FOR
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

Please bring your favorite meat, side dish or dessert and we will enjoy a delicious pot luck meal after the worship service. Afterwards, there will be a brief overview of the 226th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., which was held in Salt Lake City, Utah, June 2024. Our friends from Grace Presbyterian Church have also been invited to join us for this delicious meal and informative fellowship event. Hope to see you there!



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, as well as, small toiletry items, washcloths, towels and blankets.

Visit the website at: 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. In the month of August you delivered 78 pounds of dog food and 78 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.



VCAM ANNUAL RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

Submitted by Becky Richter

The Victoria Christian Assistance Ministry (VCAM) has started selling raffle 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.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Don't forget the Nellie Hudson Sunday School will resume our bible studies at 9:30am this Sunday, September 8.

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

Hope you can join us Sunday as we continue to learn about the meaning of the Lord's prayer.

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





WHAT'S AHEAD IN WORSHIP

Join us every Sunday in September for a wonderful Sermon! You will not be disappointed and will leave with a heart full of God's love.

September 8	Rev. Allen Mosiman
September 15	Rev. Bette Burris
September 22	Rev. Dan Fultz
September 29	Rev. Dan Fultz

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