

2026.04.23 Edition

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## The Map

Jesus calls us to follow Him, grow in union with Him, and make disciples with Him, near and far. ([Click here](#))

Join us for Sunday worship, in-person or online, at 10 AM

## Check the GPS!

Pastor Jeremy offers heart-to-heart commentary about what's happening at FPCB. Check the GPS to know how we follow Jesus!



## Echoes of Sunday: Midweek Meditation

Pastor Paul offers a weekly devotional based on last Sunday's sermon!

## A New Way to Walk

Do you ever leave Sunday worship feeling inspired, only to find yourself struggling with the same old habits by Tuesday morning? **It is easy to feel like the Christian life is just a cycle of trying harder and failing faster**, but God's Word offers us a much

better way to walk. This week, we explore what it truly means to be united with Christ—moving past the heavy burden of "duty" and into the life-giving power of His grace. **If you have ever felt stuck in your spiritual growth or wondered how to turn obligation into joy, we invite you to take a few minutes today to refocus on your true identity in Jesus.**

[Read the Full Devotional [Here](#). It includes a link to the original sermon.]

## Pulpit Preview: This Sunday's Sermon

Here's your invitation to the upcoming sermon!

### The Best is Yet to Come

[1 Cor 15:35-44, 50-58](#)

**Have you ever felt like you're stuck in the "long middle"?** You know your debt was paid at the Cross, and you're working hard to walk in a new way today, but the "groan" of this broken world still feels so heavy. We bury people we love, we feel our own bodies slowing down, and we wonder: *Why does the Resurrection matter to my life right now?*

This Sunday, as we continue our series **"Raised to Life,"** we look at the breathtaking promise of **"The Best Is Yet to Come."** By looking through the lens of our union with Christ, we'll discover that because we are "bolted" to the Ascended King, **our future isn't a mystery to be feared or a "maybe" to be hoped for.** Instead, we are moving toward a full, sinless union with Jesus where we will share in His very glory. **Come find out why your future is a finished reality that changes everything about how you live today.**

See you Sunday at 10:00 AM to be fed from God's Word.

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## Current Sermon Series

Here's a mind map of where we are!

### Raised to Life: Does Easter actually matter on a Tuesday morning?

We are in a four-part sermon series called *Raised to Life*. **We'll see that the resurrection isn't just a miracle from the past—it is a source of power for your life right now.**

Come discover how Jesus being alive gives you:

- ~~4/12 Real Assurance: A **Proof of Purchase** that shows your past is forgiven.~~
- ~~4/19 Real Transformation: **A New Way to Walk** through your daily struggles.~~

- **4/26 Real Hope:** The certainty that *The Best is Yet to Come*, no matter what you're facing today.
- **5/3 Real Purpose:** *Living with a Mission* because we serve a King who is alive right now.

(The sermon titles are in red)

## Disciple-Making Partner Updates

Pray for Disciple-Making Partners supported through our Ministry Budget

### Wade and Christina Mantlo: Global Church Movements



*The future of the church is not determined by how many people we gather, but by how many disciple-makers we release. (Subhasis from India)*

This past March, I joined 310 leaders from 92 nations in Ethiopia for **Motus Dei 2026**. Speaking on **vital and sustainable movements**, I shared data from our recent assessments as we push toward the goal of one church for every 1,000 people.

Our research highlights God's incredible work; notably, in the **Horn of Africa**, we've seen **440,000 new believers and 23,000 churches** established over the last two decades.

Christine and I are deeply grateful for your church's support. I will travel to **Zimbabwe** to lead leadership development assessments with partners from **Ethiopia, Congo Brazzaville, and Zambia**. Please pray for my **safety** during long travels and for my **family** during my absence.

Grace and peace,  
Wade Mantlo ([themantlos.info](http://themantlos.info))

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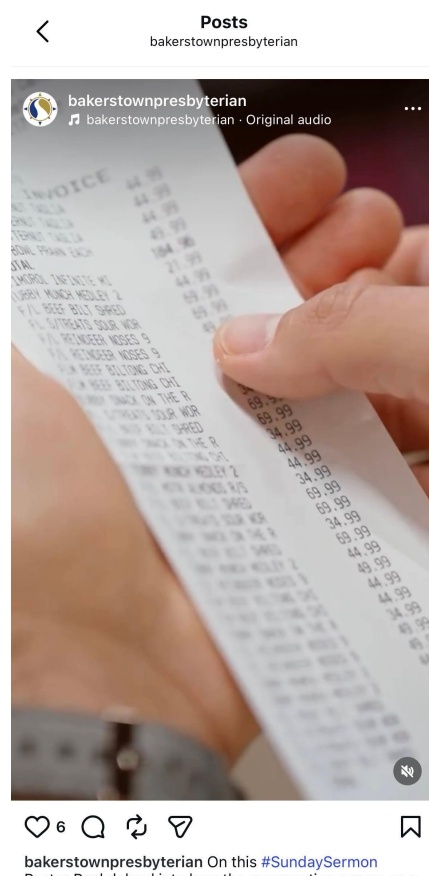
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## The Week Ahead

SUN., Apr 26th

**Sunday Gathering**  
**(Worship)**  
10:00 AM  
**Sanctuary**

MON., Apr 27th

TUE., Apr 28th

**Tues Women's Bible Study**

10:00-11:30 am

**(Letters of John)**

Admin Bldg

**TOPS**

**(Taking Off Pounds Sensibly)**

3:30- 4:30 PM

Church Café

**Tues Adult Bible Study**

9:30-10:30 am

**(Hebrews)**

Westminster Rm

**WED., Apr 29th**

**All Moms Bible Study**

9:30-11:00 AM

Westminster Rm

**FRI., May 1st**

**Fri Men's Bible Study**

7:00 AM

Eat 'n Park, Gibsonia

**SAT., May 2nd**

**Sat Men's Bible Study**

**(Nehemiah)**

8:30 AM

Church Café

**SUN., May 3rd**

**Sunday Gathering**

**(Worship)**

10:00 AM

Sanctuary

**If you want information about any Bible Study, please call Linda Smith at 724-443-1555 and choose option "zero."**

**Please look for a Worship Email on Sundays at 9:15 a.m.  
Our service begins at 10 a.m.**

**You may access worship directly at 9:55 a.m. by visiting:**

**Sunday Livestream**

***Please forward this email to friends.***

Be sure to follow us on Youtube, Facebook, and Instagram to be up to date with everything happening at FPCB! When you come across our content please share and repost it, so that our congregation can continue to grow and increase in evangelism. To bring all glory to our Lord Jesus Christ!



**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**  
Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

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