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In my youth, the coming of the new year was always a bit of an adventure. I grew up in Southern California, and more than once the celebration did not end at midnight. We would leave from the New Years Eve communion service at church and drive a half hour to Pasadena. Trying to find a good place to park once we arrived usually took longer than the drive. Once the car was safe, we'd head to Colorado Boulevard to stake out a good spot for the New Years Day Rose Bowl parade. For reasons that are no longer clear to me, the twin realities that the parade wouldn't start for hours and that we wouldn't get any sleep didn't seem to bother us. Both people-watching and the parade seemed worth the effort.

Thanks to the wonders of DVRs, the parade remains a New Years tradition for me. But I have long since outgrown the need to begin the year sleep-deprived. These days I tend to welcome the new year much more gently. (Sometimes much later; some traditions, after all, deserve to be modified.)

For many people the new year is a time for reassessment and occasionally for resolution. Unquestionably 2017 brought its share of surprises, and 2018 probably will as well; remembering what is behind us hopefully triggers joy, and anticipating what lies ahead should stimulate hope. We move into a new year at a significant milestone in our transition at FTPC. The mission study is complete (copies are available at church and it is on the website), and the search team tasked with leading us in the process of discovering our next pastor is about to immerse itself in that adventure.

We at Foster have been and are a people committed to prayer. As we move ahead, I want to encourage us all to deepen and broaden that commitment as we anticipate God's gracious provision for us. He is at work, and our joyful opportunity is to join Him in that work.

I'm convinced that as we move into this new year, God has in store for us an adventure far greater and far more beautiful than any Rose Parade. It is true that we can never know with certainty all that a new year might bring. What we can know with certainty is that God who created us to live in the present invites us to walk through that present with him. I'm looking forward to that journey in 2018.

Happy New Year!

*Pastor Melcher*

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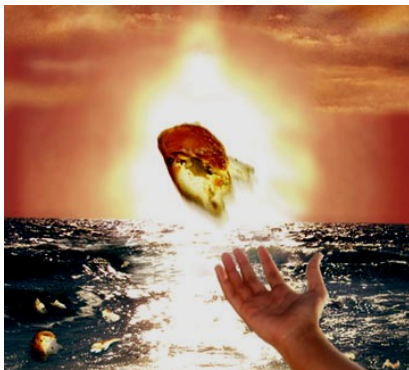
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# Foster Tukwila Presbyterian Financials

*"Send your resources  
out over the seas;  
eventually  
you will reap  
a return."*

**Ecclesiastes 11:1 CJB**



## Income

For November 2017  
\$12,837.60  
Year to Date  
\$161,945.12

## Expenses

For November 2017  
\$15,598.07  
Year to Date  
\$174,211.30



# January Missions: ECO Presbyterian

## WHO WE ARE

### **A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians**

We seek to be a movement, not just a denomination. These are the foundations that propel us forward.

### **Our Mission**

To build flourishing churches that make disciples of Jesus Christ.

### **Our Core Values**

#### • **Jesus-shaped Identity:**

We believe Jesus Christ must be at the center of our lives and making disciples of Jesus at the core of our ministry.

#### • **Biblical Integrity:**

We believe the Bible is the unique and authoritative Word of God, which teaches all that is necessary for faith and life. The prominence of God's Word over our lives shapes our priorities, and the unrivaled authority of the Bible directs our actions to be in concert with Christ's very best for our lives.

#### • **Thoughtful Theology:**

We believe in theological education, constant learning, and the life of the mind, and celebrate this as one of the treasures of our Reformed heritage.

#### • **Accountable Community:**

We believe guidance is a corporate spiritual experience. We want to connect leaders to one another in healthy relationships of accountability, synergy, and care.

#### • **Egalitarian Ministry:**

We believe in unleashing the ministry gifts of women, men, and every ethnic group.



# ECO

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of Evangelical  
Presbyterians

#### • **Missional Centrality:**

We believe in living out the whole of the Great Commission – including evangelism, spiritual formation, compassion, and redemptive justice – in our communities and around the world.

#### • **Center-focused Spirituality:**

We believe in calling people to the core of what it means to be followers of Jesus – what "mere Christianity" is and does – and not fixate on the boundaries.

#### • **Leadership Velocity:**

We believe identifying and developing gospel-centered leaders is critical for the church, and a great leadership culture is risk-taking, innovative, and organic.

#### • **Kingdom Vitality:**

We believe congregations should vigorously reproduce new missional communities to expand the Kingdom of God.

## **ECO NATIONAL GATHERING: RENOVATE!**

January 23 – 25, 2018  
Hilton Americas Hotel  
Downtown, Houston, TX

### **When we renovate, we make something new again.**

We believe that God does not just want ECO to be a recreation of the way denominations have always done things. God is calling us to renew and revitalize...to renovate...how we approach our congregations, presbyteries, covenant communities and our hearts.

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# January 2018 - Foster Tuckwila Presbyterian

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 7:00 pm: AA 206-419-4822	2 THE LORD'S WATCH 6:00 pm: FTPC Youth	3 12:00 pm: PrayTuckwila 7:00 pm: Impact Teams	4 7:00 am: Prayer 12:00 pm: Annual Reports due 6:30 pm: Grief Group/ Young Adults	5 4:00 pm: BNCCC Youth/ BNCCC Women's Prayer Group	6 Epiphany 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
7 9:00 am: Generations 10:30 am: Worship COMMUNION 3:30 pm: MACC	8 7:00 pm: AA	9 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study 6:00 pm: FTPC Youth	10 6:30 pm: Session	11 7:00 am: Prayer 7:00 pm: Women's Bible Study	12 4:00 pm: BNCCC Youth/ BNCCC Women's Prayer Group	13 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
<b>Youth Retreat, @ Buck Creek: Friday January 12 - Sunday, January 14, 2018</b>						
14 9:00 am: Generations 10:30 am: Worship 2-4 pm: Bday Open House @ the Brewer's House 3:30 pm: MACC	15 7:00 pm: AA MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR's BDAY CELEBRATED	16 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study 6:00 pm: FTPC Youth	17 11:00 am: KOBA	18 7:00 am: Prayer 6:30 pm: Grief Group/ Young Adults	19 4:00 pm: BNCCC Youth/ BNCCC Women's Prayer Group	20 8:00 am: Men' Fellowship 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
21 9:00 am: Generations 10:30 am: Worship - SOHLS POTLUCK 3:30 pm: MACC	22 7:00 pm: AA	23 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study 6:00 pm: FTPC Youth	24	25 7:00 am: Prayer 7:00 pm: Women's Bible Study	26 12:00 pm: Retirees & Seniors 4:00 pm: BNCCC Youth/ BNCCC Women's Prayer Group	27 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
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# February 2018 - Easter Tukwila Presbyterian

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				<sup>1</sup> 7:00 am: Prayer 6:30 pm: Grief Group/ Young Adults	<sup>2</sup> 4:00 pm: BNCCC Youth/ BNCCC Women's Prayer Group	<sup>3</sup> 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
<sup>4</sup> 9:00 am: Generations 10:30 am: Worship COMMUNION 2-4 pm: Bday Open House @ the Brewer's 3:30 pm: MACC	<sup>5</sup> 10 am-12 pm: CEF 7:00 pm: AA 206-419-4822	The Lord's Watch <sup>6</sup> 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study 6:00 pm: Youth	<sup>7</sup> 12:00 pm: PrayTukwila 7:00 pm: Impact Teams	<sup>8</sup> 7:00 am: Prayer 7:00 pm: Women's Bible Study	<sup>9</sup> 4:00 pm: BNCCC Youth/ BNCCC Women's Prayer Group	<sup>10</sup> 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
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<i>1st Sunday in Lent</i> <sup>18</sup> 9:00 am: Generations 10:30 am: Worship/ Lenten Cleansing SWEETHEARTS' POTLUCK 3:30 pm: MACC	<sup>19</sup> 7:00 pm: AA PRESIDENTS' DAY	<sup>20</sup> 1:00-3:00 pm: Women's Study 6:00 pm: Youth	<sup>21</sup>	<sup>22</sup> 7:00 am: Prayer 7:00 pm: Women's Bible Study	<sup>23</sup> 12:00 pm: Retirees & Seniors 4:00 pm: BNCCC Youth/ BNCCC Women's Prayer Group	<sup>24</sup> 10:00 am: BNCCC Worship
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# FTPC Bulletin Board



## THE LORD'S WATCH

January 2 & February 6



### RETIREES & SENIORS LUNCHEON

Noon, Fridays  
January 26 & February 23, 2018

*January: Who was the main family cook on holidays?*

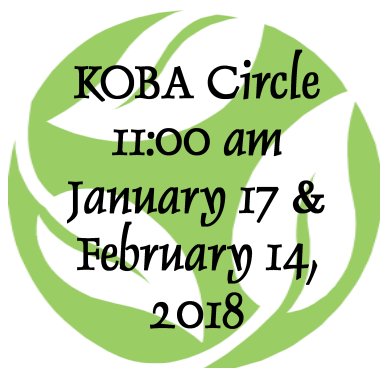
*February: Holiday ethnic dishes in your family?*



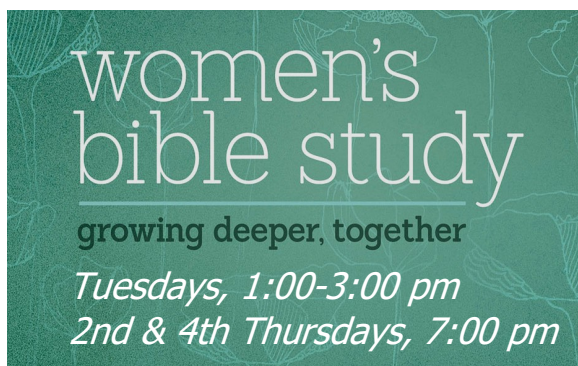

In case of Snow  
Call FTPC

206-243-4455  
or visit [ftpc.org](http://ftpc.org)

For information on changes in schedule.



KOBA Circle  
11:00 am  
January 17 & February 14, 2018



## women's bible study

growing deeper, together

Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00 pm  
2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7:00 pm



## The Brewers' OPEN HOUSE

2:00-4:00 pm

Sunday, January 14 & Sunday, February 4, 2018

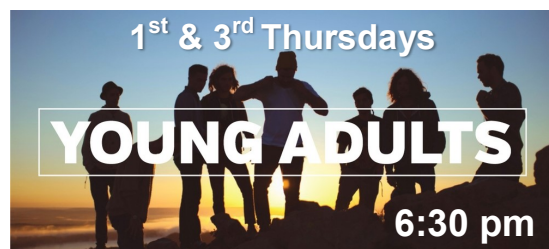


## MONTHLY MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday - 8:00 am



SANCTITY OF  
-♥-  
HUMAN LIFE  
SUNDAY  
JANUARY 21, 2018



1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays

## YOUNG ADULTS

6:30 pm




## WINTER RETREAT

Youth Retreat - Friday, January 12 - Sunday, January 14, 2018



## POTLUCK

Sunday, January 21 & Sunday, February 18, 2018  
Bring a dish to share!



## IMPACT TEAMS

7:00 pm

Wednesday, January 3 & Wednesday, February 7, 2018  
Share in the ministry of FTPC







## February Missions: Ruth & John Carr - Wycliffe

John has pretty well recovered from his gall bladder surgery. The entry points for the laproscope produced some beautiful bruises, almost every color in a Texas sunset. The bruising is now almost cleared up and the last bit of super glue has peeled off. So that is a big praise. We are continuing to be grateful for the surgeon's skills in removing his six inch gall bladder with olive size gall stones. Ruth now has copies of the surgery photos as proof!

Once John finished the process for Career Guidance, the analysis of his tests showed that the jobs he has been doing over the years are what God made him for. He has been offered a position as a web developer in the Language Software Department at our Dallas Center.

After setting aside funds for some time, we were ready to replace Ruth's 18 year old clunker. As a ministry, a coworker at the Wycliffe Center maintains his Toyota dealer's license. We tell him what we are looking for and our price range. He goes to auctions and does his best to match our needs. We are praising the Lord for giving Ruth a 2012 Toyota Corolla with just 74,000 miles on it.

We praise the Lord that Ruth's heart continues to be stable and she has been able to undergo cataract surgery in both eyes. The surgery in her right eye was a bit complicated since she had to have a separate surgery to re-

move a growth from the white part of that eye, called a pterygium (isn't that a mouthful?) It is also known as Surfer's Eye because it is a result of spending a lot of time in the sun - such as growing up in the tropics - as Ruth did. Having three separate surgeries, each with their own necessary recovery time, made it difficult to plan our Christmas trip to be with Ruth's Mom in South Carolina. Continue to pray for smooth recoveries.

We continue to make progress on the Wiki videos. The script for Video #4 is almost ready to record the voice over and then John will capture Wiki screens. Pray for us to make the training on the videos clear and plain for English as a second language speakers and computer novices.

We thank you again, our partners, for your encouragement, prayers, gifts and love. God uses you to sustain and maintain us. "May the God of hope fill you with joy and peace in your faith, that by the power of the Holy Spirit, your whole life and outlook may be radiant with hope." Romans 15:13 (Phillips)

Continually trusting,

*Ruthy & John* **Wycliffe** 

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### Nehemiah 2:18 – Rise up and build!

Drawing on lessons from Nehemiah, we will learn and grow together so that we may strengthen our hands for the good work that God has in store for us. We are excited to gather together this January to update and upgrade! Bring your spouse, your staff, your leadership teams, your covenant partners and your friends. You won't want to miss it!

### SPEAKERS



#### Ed Stetzer

Ed Stetzer teaches, speaks, and writes on theology, missiology, church planting, church revitalization, and church innovation.



#### Condoleezza Rice

Professor, Author, Pianist, Golfer, Avid football fan, former U.S. Secretary of State & National Security Advisor



#### Kyle Strobel

Kyle Strobel teaches spiritual theology for Talbot's Institute for Spiritual Formation and Spiritual Formation Focus programs. His areas of interest include systematic theology, Jonathan Edwards, spiritual formation, and prayer.

To find out more information or to register for the **ECO National Gathering** visit [econationalgathering.org](http://econationalgathering.org). To learn about **ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians** or the Presbytery of the Northwest, visit [eco-pres.org](http://eco-pres.org).



# ECO

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# Seek God for the City - February 14 to March 25, 2018

Once again this year we will be using this excellent prayer guide to lift up our city during the 40 Days of Lent. Please join us in seeking God for Tukwila. Prayer guides will be available in the Narthex beginning **Sunday, February 4, 2018**, or you can download it at your iPhone or Android app store.

DAY 6

MONDAY  
FEBRUARY 19



SEEK God...

to stir us to persistent  
united prayer

SEEK God...

to reveal His glory  
amidst His people



DAY 7

TUESDAY  
FEBRUARY 20

...ON BEHALF OF  
**FATHERS**

*Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord.*

— Ephesians 6:4

Pray that fathers will serve and care for their families; that absentee fathers would change their lifestyles to nurture their wives and children; that children will see the character of the heavenly Father in the lives of their dads.

PRAYERWALK: *Pray for the fathers (or grandfathers) in your workplace or near your home.*

*I have posted watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem. They will never be silent day or night. You who call on the LORD, give yourselves no rest, and give Him no rest till He establishes Jerusalem and makes her the praise of the earth.*

— Isaiah 62:6-7

What You have promised to do in the cities and peoples of the earth is vast and precious. We refuse to believe that You are finished with what You intend to do in our community. Do something so remarkable that Your name will be spoken of with praise in faraway places for things You are doing in our midst. Lift our failing hopes so that we pray beyond our personal needs. Grant us stamina to stick to our post, asking, watching and thanking You. Give us prayers, large and small, that call forth Your coming days of praise.

...that at all times they ought to pray  
and not to lose heart.

— Luke 18:1 (NASB)

We have condemned ourselves for prayerlessness, often blaming our full and busy lives. But overwhelming schedules are a side issue. Our real problem is that we too easily lose heart to believe that You will indeed fulfill what You have promised. Call us anew to a life of praying with steady determination. Our own resolve is not enough. Energize us with Your unwavering zeal. Let us know how pleased You are with our feeble attempts to pray with persistence. Train us to pray in patient pursuit of Your promises. *Pray:*

- For Christ to encourage our hearts to pray with renewed hope and persistence.
- For God to invigorate new seasons of prayer in our families, churches and cities.

*Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For behold, darkness will cover the earth and deep darkness the peoples; but the LORD will rise upon you and His glory will appear upon you.*

*Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.*

— Isaiah 60:1-3 (NASB)

The flickering flames of our own goodness will never dispel the shadow of spiritual darkness that engulfs our community. Bring on Your reviving, exposing light, like the rising of the sun. Prepare us to become worthy reflectors of Your beauty. Rise like a slow-coming dawn upon us, so that a great reflected glory will overwhelm the murky dullness of our city. Draw men, women and children to Your brightness.

*I have given them the glory that You gave Me, that they may be one as We are one.*

— John 17:22

If this statement was not in the Bible, we would have thought it blasphemy to touch, much less to wear, the glory of Jesus. But Your purpose is clear: that we would carry the beauty, the power, the brilliance and the substance of who You really are. Confirm and mature this awesome gift of imparted glory. May the shining uniqueness of Your character be displayed in our city by those who name You as Lord. Unite Your churches in our city so that together we become a spectacle of many people following One Magnificent Person. *Pray:*

- For the justice, mercy and holiness of Jesus to be seen in His people.
- For Christians to reflect the integrity and character of Jesus in the marketplace.
- That different churches would support and honor each other in displays of tangible unity.

...ON BEHALF OF  
**HOMELESS PEOPLE**

*But He lifted the needy out of their affliction and increased their families like flocks.*

— Psalm 107:41

Pray for immediate relief, shelter, food and health care; that Christ will restore hope for the future; for wise counsel and trustworthy friendship; for protection from the risks of life on the streets; for employment, housing and restored family life.

PRAYERWALK: *Visit a place where homeless people seek shelter or employment. Pray God's blessing on people you see who appear to be homeless.*

...ON BEHALF OF  
**THE AMERICAS  
AND THE CARIBBEAN**

Grenada, Guadeloupe,  
Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti



...ON BEHALF OF  
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Honduras, Jamaica, Martinique,  
Mexico, Montserrat



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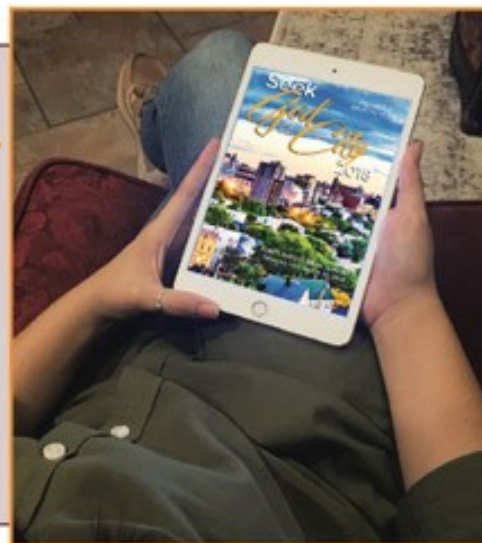
Get Seek God 2018 as an app on your tablet or smartphone. The app contains all of the same scriptures, prayers and helpful material. The app makes it even more flexible and accessible. Available December 2017. Check out a preview at [waymakers.org](http://waymakers.org). Tell your friends in other cities and countries about the app.



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