



## **Indian River Presbyterian Church**

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*Our Mission:*

*Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples*

*Our Ministry Model:*

*Worship + 2*

*Dear Friends,*

*Our mission at Indian River Presbyterian is simple and is taken straight out of God's word to us in His great commandment (Matthew 22:37-40) and Jesus' great commission (Matthew 28:18-20). We state our mission simply as "Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples". We see this as both our mission as a church body working together, but we also hope that we would embrace this mission individually as we are sent out into the world.*

*Sometimes, however, it is difficult to know where to begin. It is easy to get lost in a church and not get involved in its mission and ministry beyond Sunday morning worship.*

*It is my hope that this brochure will help you find your place(s) within this body. Whether you are a first time guest who is exploring questions of faith or you have been a member here for years, we hope this brochure will be helpful in connecting you and others who are on this journey of faith to God Himself.*

*In Christ,*

*Rev. Dr. Dana Allin, Senior Pastor*

### ***How do I become a member at Indian River?***

*Our membership class is called "Next Steps". This class is mandatory to become a member and occurs two times a year, in the fall and in the spring. The class is held on a Sunday afternoon from 1:30pm to 6:00pm. In the Next Steps class you will learn more about the Christian faith, the Presbyterian Church, and the mission and ministries of Indian River. After completing the class you can decide if you would like to become a member or perhaps wait a while.*

*Contact Lynn Craig by email: [lynn@irpcfamilly.org](mailto:lynn@irpcfamilly.org) or 772-464-4263 ext 112 to register for the next class.*

## → **Sundays Mornings**

We have 2 unique styles of worship. Our traditional services include formal liturgy, hymns, solos, and choir at the 11:00am service and our pastors are robed. Our Mosaic Contemporary service is relaxed in dress, has a full-band that leads in current music and is less formal. The messages, however, are the same at all of the services.

8am, 11am: Traditional Worship Services

9:20am: Mosaic Contemporary Worship

In addition to worship we offer adult ministries, please see pages 4-7; for student ministry see page 8; and for the ministry to children, page 9.

## → **What is Worship + 2?**

You will hear us frequently say that we desire for people to be engaged in Worship + 2. Worship +2 is short for Worship + Service + Growth. This means that you will be involved in worship, plus an opportunity for on-going growth with other believers, and you will serve in a ministry within or through the church using your God given gifts, abilities and passions. We desire for you to engage in Worship +2 so your maturity, as a disciple will be accelerated.

## → **How do I become involved in Worship +2?**

There are two ways to get involved in ministries beyond the worship service. First, you can fill out a "Get Connected" card that is available in the pew racks in the Sanctuary or at the Information Station; indicate what you would like to get connected to and turn the card in at the Information Station, to a pastor or put it in the offering plate, and then the appropriate person will contact you. Second you can contact Lynn Craig, our Coordinator of Connectional Ministries, indicating your desire to get involved and she or another appropriate person will be able to help you. Lynn's e-mail is [lynn@irpcfamilly.org](mailto:lynn@irpcfamilly.org) and her phone is 772-464-4263 ext 112.

# ADULT GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

We have several ministries for adults, some of these ministries are for the entire congregation and some are specific to a particular age, gender or life stage demographic.

As part of our Worship + 2 ministry model it is our hope that everyone will be involved in an on-going group of those on the journey of faith that studies God's word, fellowships together, supports one another and serves together. There are several types of groups that fall into this definition.

## → Sunday School

*The Christian Fellowship Class* meets 9:30am-10:30am in room 202. This class studies the curriculum, "The Present Word", which is developed by PCUSA. It uses the uniform Bible Study lessons, focusing on themes studied by classes across the nation. As Presbyterians it assures we are connected.

*The Pairs and Spares Class* meets 9:30am-10:30am in room 107. This class is a great mix of people that love to learn from each other and God's word. The leadership rotates around a group of teachers to assure that the class is always fresh and inviting.

## → Small Groups

Small groups meet at least once a week; mostly in homes, but a few meet at the church. There is usually a time for refreshments, study and applications of God's word, and sharing of prayer requests. If you are interested in joining a small group please e-mail Pastor Beth Allin at [beth@irpcfamilly.org](mailto:beth@irpcfamilly.org)

## → Life Transformation Groups

Some people find it helpful to meet in an even smaller group of 3-5 people of the same gender. This type of group can increase the depth of sharing and support and the study of God's word. If you are interested in joining a Life Transformation Group please e-mail Pastor Beth Allin at [beth@irpcfamilly.org](mailto:beth@irpcfamilly.org)

## **OTHER GROWTH MINISTRIES**

There are other ministries that happen less frequently that also aid in spiritual growth and fellowship. While we desire everyone to be involved in one of the on-going groups for growth listed previously, these ministries serve as great places to start on the path to growth or in addition to their on-going growth groups.

### **→ Fellowship And Study Tuesday (FAST Track)**

This is a four week study that occurs twice a year. There are 3-5 classes that occur at 4pm or 6:30pm with dinner in between at 5:30pm. Some choose to take one class and some will take classes during both sessions. Check the monthly newsletter and bulletin for class offerings and sign ups.

### **→ Date Night**

Date Night is an opportunity for couples, married or dating to focus on the health of their marriage or dating relationship. At 6:00pm on a Friday evening we begin with appetizers and fellowship, hear a speaker from 6:30-7:15pm; then couples are encouraged to go out to dinner and discuss the application of the speaker's message. Childcare is available for free from 6-9pm.



## WOMEN'S GROWTH MINISTRIES

Ladies, you are invited to become an active member in the Presbyterian Women by joining one of our circles. By joining a circle you will have the opportunity to take part in a time of Bible Study which deepens our understanding and appreciation of God's love and His will for our lives. You will also have the opportunity to enjoy fellowship with other Christian women while sharing your beliefs and experiences. We pull together the talents of all our members to give service to our church and community.

Bev Smith, Moderator & Jeanette Merksamer, Co-Moderator

### → Presbyterian Women Circles

<b>Name</b>	<b>Leaders</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Outreach</b>
Deborah	Beverlee Smith  Jinny Holler	Room 201	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday 8:45 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visit Homebound</li> <li>• Crop Walk</li> <li>• Operation Christmas Child</li> </ul>
Esther	Bobbylee Wilson	Homes	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 10:30 am	• Thornwell Home
Martha	Ina Healy	Room 107	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 10:00 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mission Flight International</li> <li>• Operation Christmas Child</li> <li>• Birthday cards to College Students</li> </ul>
Rebekah	Eileen Richardson  Bette Hill	Room 201 & Homes	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday 10:30am	• Collecting socks & underwear for Hope's Closet 4 Children
Ruth	Ginny Simmons Alta Herman	Room 201	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday 10:00 am	TBA

## MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY



### → Chancel Choir

Choir is a great way for people to get connected at IRPC. Singers grow as disciples of Christ and as musicians while they work together in weekly rehearsals, lead in worship services, and perform in concerts. Choir members develop vocal and musical skills while singing great works of sacred choral music. The Chancel Choir provides musical leadership during Sunday worship as well as seasonal concerts. Rehearsal is held each Wednesday (September – May) from 7pm to 8:30pm and each Sunday from 10:00am to 11:00am in room 106. New members are welcome throughout the year. Chancel Choir is directed by Melanie Justice and is accompanied by our organist, Cathy Brown. For more information, please contact Melanie Justice at [Melanie@irpcfamly.org](mailto:Melanie@irpcfamly.org).

### → Mosaic Worship Band

The Mosaic Worship band looks for individuals who can share their talents through singing and the playing of instruments in a worship band setting. For information on joining the Mosaic Band, please contact David Hancock, Worship Leader at [david@irpcfamly.org](mailto:david@irpcfamly.org).

## YOUTH GROWTH MINISTRIES

→ **iXo Student ministry** is a place where young people are being changed by Christ from the inside out. Students will be encouraged to follow closely at the heels of Jesus and let Him be saturated in all areas of their lives.

As we like to say:

**LOVE GOD. LOVE OTHERS. MAKE DISCIPLES.**

**The Sunday Morning Experience** for middle and high school students meets at the main campus in room 201 after the 9:20am worship service for discussion of relevant issues and the sharing of joys and concerns.

During the week our youth meet at our West Campus, 1780 Hartman Road, Fort Pierce 34947. Middle school and High school students meet on Wednesdays from 6-8:30pm. Iley Harrison is the director of Youth Ministries. He can be reached at [iley@irpcfamilly.org](mailto:iley@irpcfamilly.org). or on his cell 772-971-0282.



## **CHILDREN'S GROWTH MINISTRIES**

River Kids are kids of all ages that can get connected and have a fun-filled time as they grow and learn about God. Kids have energy, availability and enthusiasm to accomplish great things. By teaching kids to develop a biblical worldview, we can impact their everyday choices and actions. We can ignite an awakening that will impact generations to come.

### **→ Infants:**

A fully staffed nursery is available for infants to age 1 (or walking).

8:00am-----Room 101

9:20am & 11:00am-----Room 103

### **→ Toddlers: Ages 1 & 2**

In this area children are introduced to the basics of sharing and group playing while incorporating the basic foundation of prayer and God's love.

8, 9:20 & 11:00am----- Room 101

### **→ Preschoolers: Ages 3 to 5 years**

In a loving environment we provide a wonderful curriculum that is age appropriate.

9:20am & 11:00am-----Room 101

### **→ Elementary: Kindergarten -5<sup>th</sup> graders**

Children are able to worship in an age appropriate environment where the lessons being taught will initiate personal, social and cultural transformations by connecting kids with a biblical worldview. In order for transformation to be realized, kids must be needed, valued and engaged in mentoring relationships.

9:20am ----Room 302

The Children's Ministry provides many opportunities for the kids and their families to connect by having family events throughout the year. Please check the quarterly River Kids newsletter and website [www.irpcfamly.org](http://www.irpcfamly.org) for any upcoming events.

## FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### → Sunday Morning Fellowship

On Sunday mornings at 9:45am and 10:45am you will find coffee and refreshments in Sample Hall.

### → SOLO Women's Club

This group meets the second Tuesday of the month (Sept-May). All single women are invited to come together for Christian fellowship and socializing. The SOLO Women's Club is an informal organization with no officers and no dues. The majority of the gatherings are at the church at noon for lunch. Each year there are a couple of day trips. Please call the church office at 464-4263 for a schedule.

### →Coffee With the Pastor

This takes place in the Coffee House (Room 201) on the 2nd Sunday of every month at 9:00am and 10:30am. It is a time for those who have recently connected here at IRPC in worship to meet the pastors and ask questions about the church, Presbyterians, and/or the Christian faith in general.

### →Quilts & Crafts

The sewing group meets on Wednesday mornings, 9am – 11am in room 107. We love sharing ideas and creating new things, but it's the fellowship that will keep you coming back! Call 462-4263 for information.

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Indian River's objectives are to provide an avenue for every person within the church to discover how God has SHAPed them to serve and then get them plugged into an appropriate ministry that effectively utilizes their God-given SHAPE.

God created us to serve Him. The gift of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ challenges us to follow our Lord, empowered by the Holy Spirit, into mission and ministry. IRPC's mission is to "Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples". The SERVICE component of the IRPC Worship + 2 ministry strategy opens our faith to spiritual maturity as we use our God-given time, talent and treasure in an area of service that coincides with our SHAPE.

Spiritual Gifts

Hearth

Abilities

Personality

Experience

Spiritual Gift Questionnaires are located in the wall files across from the Information Station in the narthex. Please contact Pastor Bryan Wenger to discern & discuss further areas you can share your time & talents to the Glory of God. 772-464-4263 ext105 or [bryan@irpcfamilly.org](mailto:bryan@irpcfamilly.org)

### **→ Local Missions:**

- Avenue D Boys Choir
- Care Net Pregnancy Services
- Christian FM
- CROP Hunger Walk
- 4th Day Movements
- Grace Way Village
  - Hope's Closet 4 Children
  - IMPACT: Youth Mentoring
  - Matthew's Café
- Habitat for Humanity
- Intersivity IRSC
- Kairos Prison Ministry
- Love Regeneration Center
- Mission Flights International
- Mustard Seed Ministries
- Potter's Heart Ministries, Inc.
- Pregnancy Care Center
- Restoration House
- Save our Children/Bible Way Soul Saving

