



Simple Mission

Deliver and teach a consistent Gospel message for a complex world

Clear Vision

Strengthen families and community with the love of Christ and accountability of the Word

July 28, 2024

Newsletter and Sermon

Pastor Sam's Sermon Series

Join us each Sunday as Pastor Sam preaches a multi-week series entitled "The Local Church". This is a series sure to open eyes and challenge each of us with sound biblical truth.



Weekly Schedule

- **Sun 8:30 AM** - Discipleship Study
Know what you believe. Understand scripture that forms the foundation of our Christian beliefs.
- **Sun 9:30AM** – Worship Service and Children's Church
- **Wed 6:30 PM** - Sermon Application Study. *Discuss Sunday's message, ask questions and enjoy fellowship.*

Upcoming

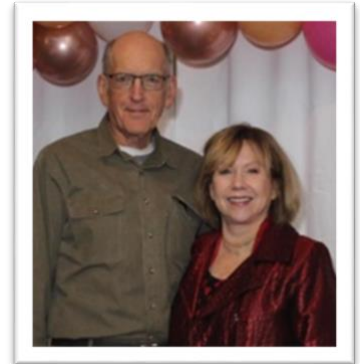
- **Cookout**
Wednesday Aug 7
6:00 PM (Sermon Application Study to follow)
- **FSC 12th Anniversary Celebration**
Sunday, October 13

Happy Birthday

- Lisa Shook - Aug 3

Welcome New Members Darrell and Mary Ellen Rickmond!

Today marks one year since Darrell and Mary Ellen began attending First Simple Church! Originally from Surry County, Darrell and Mary Ellen have known each other since their high school days. The Lord brought them together five years after graduation and they've been married nearly 49 years. They've been blessed with two sons, a daughter-in-law, and one grandson. Darrell is an Army veteran and is retired from work in construction and engineering.



Darrell and Mary Ellen are glad the Lord brought them to First Simple; they appreciate Pastor Sam's messages and the warm fellowship of our church family. Darrell notes that he's especially encouraged by the level of Christian leadership here, with so many people living out their faith in their service to the local church body.

Welcome to the First Simple Family, Darrell and Mary Ellen!

Prayer Requests

- Pastor Sam – *continued healing*
- Family of Barbara Braxton - *grief*
- Anthony Patterson – *basic training*
- Lisa Miller's dad – *healing and strength*
- David Tobler – *health and healing*
- Many unspoken requests

Ministry Staff

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Sam Frye
Ministry Director: Dr. Debbie Frye

Contact

16401 Chickahominy Bluff Rd.
Charles City, VA, 23185
info@firstsimplechurch.org
804-829-2002



The Local Church—Part 2 Why We Go

1. The Local Church—_____ is _____ by Christ

1 Corinthians 12:27: *Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.*

Philippians 3:20: *But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ*

1 Peter 2:11: *Dear friends, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from sinful desires, which wage war against your soul.*

2. The Local Church—_____ with One _____

Romans 15:5-7: *⁵May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, ⁶so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁷Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.*

Through _____

Romans 12:3-8: *³For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. ⁴For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.*

Through _____

1 Corinthians 12:25-27: *²⁵so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. ²⁶If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. ²⁷Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it*

1 Peter 4:9-10: *⁹Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.*

Acts 2:42-44: *⁴²They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴All the believers were together and had everything in common.*

1 Corinthians 1:10: *I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.*