

# YOUR FPC: PHOENIXVILLE

Welcome to...

# The BEAT

The weekly e-newsletter from First Presbyterian Church

## THIS WEEK'S PULSE

### Wednesday, March 28th

10:00 a.m. AARP Board Meeting (Parlor)

1:00 p.m. Clubhouse Cards (Clubhouse Villas)

6:45 p.m. Merry Ringers Quartet (Choir Room)

7:30 p.m. Merry Ringers (Choir Room)

### Thursday, March 29th

10:00 a.m. Food Ministry (Kitchen)

7:30 p.m. MAUNDY THURSDAY Communion Worship Service

### Friday, March 30th

1:00 p.m. Organist Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7:30 p.m. GOOD FRIDAY Tenabrae Worship Service

### Saturday, March 31st

No events scheduled.

### EASTER SUNDAY, April 1st (\*Childcare provided)

10:30 a.m. \* EASTER Communion Worship Service- Rev. Doug Hagler, preaching

12:00 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt (Church Lawn)

### Monday, April 2nd

6:00 p.m. Women's Outreach Board Meeting (Women's Outreach Office)

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class (Fellowship Hall)

### Tuesday, April 3rd

1:00 p.m. Organist Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
3:30 p.m. Brass Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
6:30 p.m. Zumba Class (Fellowship Hall)  
6:30 p.m. Praise Team (Sanctuary)  
7:30 p.m. MAC Meeting (Parlor)

### Wednesday, April 4th

6:00 p.m. Women's Book Club (Parlor)  
6:45 p.m. Merry Ringers Quartet (Choir Room)  
7:30 p.m. Merry Ringers (Choir Room)

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FPC's choir has been diligently practicing for a very special **Good Friday Tenebrae Service** on **March 30th**, at **7:30 p.m.** The Latin translation of tenebrae is darkness. The music in this service will express that definition by recreating the solemn emotions of The Passion. In addition to music, the evening will include readings from the crucifixion story. Please plan on attending what is sure to be a moving experience.

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## **NOTEABLES**



**PALM SUNDAY**, 3/25,  
10:30AM Worship  
**MAUNDY THURSDAY**, 3/29,  
7:30PM Communion Service  
**GOOD FRIDAY**, 3/30, 7:30PM  
Tenebrae Service  
**EASTER SUNDAY**, 4/1,  
10:30AM Communion Service  
and 12PM Easter Egg Hunt



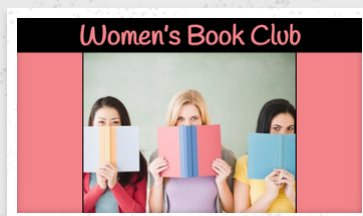
Calling all kids for the FPC  
**Easter Egg Hunt** to be held  
on the **church lawn** on **April  
1st** immediately following  
worship. Bring a basket!  
Volunteers are welcome to  
lend a hand. Thanks in  
advance!



**Clubhouse Cards** will be held  
today, Wednesday, **March  
28th** from **1:00-3:00 p.m.** at  
the **Clubhouse Villas** at  
French Creek, 300 Village Way,  
Phoenixville. Please call the  
main office for more  
information – 610-933-8816.



**NEW DAY for Pub Theology!**  
The next Pub Theology Event  
will be held on **Sunday, April  
29th, 7:00-9:00 p.m.** The  
location remains at **Stable 12  
Brewing Company**, 368  
Bridge St, Phoenixville, PA  
19460.



The **Women's Book Club** has  
suspended meetings until  
after Easter. The Book Club  
will resume on **Wednesday,  
April 4th** in the **Parlor**.  
Conversations will focus on  
Chapter 7 – The Third  
Question, "Who does Jesus  
say that YOU are?", from the  
book *"Rediscover Jesus, An  
Invitation"* by Matthew Kelly.  
Chapter discussion begins  
promptly at **6:00 p.m.**, then  
from 6:50-7:00 are prayer  
requests and fellowship.



The FPC food drive for the  
[Phoenixville Area  
Community Services](#) (PACS)  
pantry concludes this week.  
**Non-perishable staples** and  
**money** will be collected for  
those in Phoenixville facing  
difficult times. Drop boxes  
and donation envelopes can  
be found in the narthex.  
Checks may be written to  
First Presbyterian Church  
with PACS on the memo line.  
Thank you!

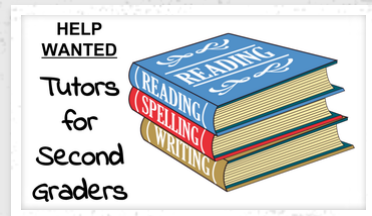




The **One Great Hour of Sharing** is a great way to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world. Envelopes are available in your offering envelope boxes, in the pews, as well as in the narthex and church office. Offerings will be received **throughout Lent** with a special offering on **Easter**. Thank you for your gift to this life changing ministry.



The next **FREE Clothing Giveaway** will be Saturday, **April 21st** from **10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** in **Fellowship Hall**. Help is always welcome. Any questions, please contact the main office (610-933-8816) or Bob Russell (610-405-1362). Hope to see you there!



**Tutoring** is going very well at **Barkley Elementary**, but more volunteers are still needed. Sessions are **Monday - Thursday 9:15am to 10:15am**. A volunteer only needs to tutor one day a week, but can tutor up to four days. If interested, please contact **Ann Miller** at 610-554-6391 or [millerap2@verizon.net](mailto:millerap2@verizon.net).



**Custodian help** is needed in John Allen's absence. A **signup** sheet for miscellaneous tasks is located in the **narthex**. Your time and effort would be greatly appreciated!



FPC is **hiring!** A second person is needed to join Tammy for **Children's Hour**. If you know anyone who would like to be paid for helping out from **10:30am to 12:00pm** on **Sundays**, let one of the following people know: Sue Smith (610-933-8816, [secretaryfpc@comcast.net](mailto:secretaryfpc@comcast.net)) or Pastor Doug ([pastor145@comcast.net](mailto:pastor145@comcast.net)).



On Sunday, **April 15th** after the **10:30 service**, a **congregational meeting** will be co-moderated by Rev. Emily Chudy and Rev. Tim Black, both from Central Presbyterian Church, Downingtown. The congregation will **vote** on Session's recommendation to either extend a long-term call to Rev. Hagler or to move forward with a new search process. Please plan on attending and having your vote count! [More information can be found on the FPC website.](#)



FPC would like to host **First Friday Bible School (FFBS)** this spring, summer, and fall to coincide with Phoenixville's First Friday events. It would allow parents to drop off their kids at church and enjoy a date night in town. Volunteers are needed just 2.5 hours once a month (can be rotational).

In need of prayer? You can submit a request to the **Prayer Chain**. Simply **fill out a card** in the worship service, drop a note to **145 Main St, Phoenixville, PA 19460**, email us at [fpcprayerchain@me.com](mailto:fpcprayerchain@me.com), or call the church office at **610-933-8816** and we will lift you up in prayer.

### Save the Date!

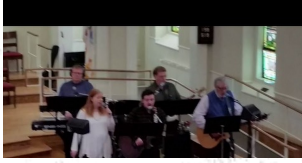
A fundraiser for the **Phoenixville Area Refugee Initiative (PARI)** will be held at the **Forge Theatre** on Sunday, **April 15th**, starting with a refreshment hour at **1 p.m.** The performance of *"Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike"* begins at **2 p.m.** Proceeds will be used to help refugees transition into life in the U.S. Thank you in advance for your support!



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## SUNDAY'S SNIPPETS



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Merry\_Ringers\_20180325.mp4

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*Special note from Maggie about the Merry Ringers video: I ran out of storage space on my phone in the middle of recording. The nice part is that I got to record close-up for half of the song. Enjoy!*

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# Happy Birthday

*Best wishes to everyone celebrating birthdays this month!*

**April 1:** Lee Deveney

**April 2:** Leigh Carbutt, Barb White

**April 3:** Cathy Walker

**April 9:** Kathleen Murtaugh, Julie Wintsch

**April 10:** Rose Glincosky

**April 11:** Bryce Palko

**April 15:** Ron Williams

**April 17:** Kevin Casey, Ethel Wisdom

**April 19:** Norma Carlson

**April 21:** Bob Williams

**April 22:** Chris Hyson



**April 24:** Bill Sabia

**April 25:** Evelyn Eitl, George White

**April 26:** Paulette Mark

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## OTHER NEWS



### Spring Training in Florida cancelled for Presbyterian Power Team

In an effort to save much needed cash, the **Presbyterian Power co-ed church softball team** has cancelled its annual spring training week in Vero Beach, Florida. Instead, there will be an optional one hour Spring Training session in sunny Berwyn, Sunday **April 15th, 3pm, at First Avenue Park**, 720 First Ave. Berwyn 19312. Presbyterian Power is a charter member of the Upper Main Line Co-Ed Church Softball League, which features friendly Christian competition on most Sundays from April 15th to July 22nd. The team is made up of males and females from the Ardmore, Paoli, and Phoenixville Presbyterian churches. Yet because we managed absolutely no free agent acquisitions in the offseason, and because half of our squad is either on the disabled list or has retired, **WE NEED MORE PLAYERS!** To make the team all you have to do is: 1) Be a human. 2) Be between the ages of 14 and 80. 3) Know how to throw a softball (hitting doesn't matter). 4) Be a member of -- or have some remote connection to -- First Pres. Phoenixville. 5) Show up at a game!

Sturge Poorman, General Manager, Presbyterian Power  
On Assignment in Vero Beach, Florida

