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The weekly e-newsletter from First Presbyterian Church

THIS WEEK'S PULSE

Wednesday, November 20th

6:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)

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

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

Thursday, November 21st

9:00 a.m. Clothing Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (Fellowship Hall)

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

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Friday, November 22nd

No events scheduled.

Saturday, November 23rd

No events scheduled.

Sunday, November 24th (*Childcare provided) Dedication Sunday

9:15 a.m. *Sunday School for all ages

9:15 a.m. *Bible Study with Sue Casey (The House Office)

9:15 a.m. Coffee Hour (Parlor)

10:30 a.m. *WORSHIP SERVICE - Rev. Doug Hagler, preaching

11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Dine Around Phoenixville (Liberty Union, 519 Kimberton Rd)

12:00 p.m. Sermon Talk (Pastor's Office)

6:00-8:00 p.m. Universal Church (Sanctuary)

7:00 p.m. Pub Theology (The Foodery, 325 Bridge St)

Monday, November 25th

6:00 p.m. Mom's House Board Meeting (Mom's House Office)

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

Tuesday, November 26th

4:30 p.m. Brass Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

5:30 p.m. Jazz Ensemble Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

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

7:00 p.m. Praise Team (Sanctuary)

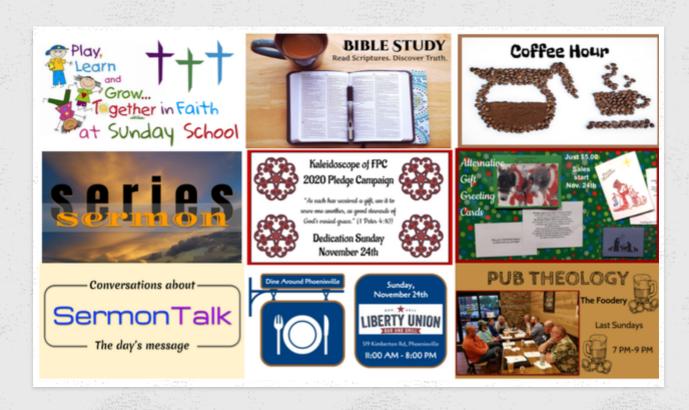
7:15 p.m. Church Growth Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday, November 27th

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

7:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Community Service (First United Methodist Church, 865 Main St)

THIS SUNDAY



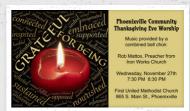
- 1. **Sunday School for all ages** The second floor classrooms are filled with lots of inquisitive children for learning, praying, and playing in faith! The fun starts at 9:15 AM.
- 2. Bible Study Join Sue Casey at 9:15 AM in the House Office (the end of the glass hallway).
- 3. Coffee Hour Christine and Martha happily host this hospitality hour with its new location in the Parlor starting at 9:15 AM. Come for the coffee and stay for the camaraderie.

- 4. Pastor Doug's Sunday **Sermon Series** with the theme "Shalom: God's Intent for the World" concludes this Sunday, **November 24th**. Come and listen first-hand, or listen to the series on FPC's YouTube channel.
- 5. The **Kaleidoscope 2020 Pledge Campaign concludes** this Sunday, November 24. It's Dedication Sunday when completed pledge cards will be received during worship. You may also return your card by mail, or drop it off in the church office. Thank you!
- 6. Sales for **Alternative Gift Greeting Cards** begin this Sunday, **November 24th**. For just **\$5.00**, you can gift family, friends, and co-workers with these "hand-crafted by church members" cards, gift tags and pins. The monies raised will support non-profit organizations. See the <u>bulletin</u> for more details.
- 7. **After worship** on Sunday, **November 24th**, you'll have a special chance to share feedback with Pastor Doug about the sermon series, "Shalom". Meet in his office to discuss your takeaway. **Sermon Talk** is a great opportunity for all opinions to be voiced in an open and informal setting.
- 8. Join in the fun at the next **Dine-Around Phoenixville** event at **Liberty Union Grill**, 519 Kimberton Rd, Phoenixville, this Sunday, **November 24th**. Hours are from **11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.** 15% of your total bill will be donated to First Presbyterian Church. Just mention you are there for the fundraiser. Reservations are recommended by calling 484-927-4244. Enjoy brunch, lunch or dinner with family and friends as you benefit our church. Thanks for your support!
- 9. **Pub Theology** will meet on the last Sunday of the month, **11/24**, at **7:00 PM**. Come to **The Foodery** at 325 Bridge St, Phoenixville. Share some food, fun, and engaging conversations about God in today's society. Pastor Doug brings the topics and the commentary follows. All viewpoints are welcome!

NOTEABLES







It's time for ordering Christmas poinsettias. Please consider a \$9.00 purchase to remember a loved one, honor a person, express appreciation, or to beautify our worship space. The plants will be available to take home and enjoy after Christmas! Simply drop off or send the order form and payment to the church office by November 27th. Thank you for your participation! We look forward to seeing a beautiful display on Sunday, December 9th!

This Wednesday, November 20th, the WWF will meet at 6:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. The plan is to sort and fold plastic bags for the clothing ministry. Snack provided. In addition, details about the "Sleeping Mat Project" will be shared. Last Wednesday our box of "Sew Powerful Purses" was received and unpacked in Washington state. The purses will soon be on their way to Zambia. NOTE: there will not be a meeting on November 27th. Happy Thanksgiving!

Give thanks along with friends and neighbors! First United Methodist Church, 865 Main St, Phoenixville, will host the annual Thanksgiving Eve service organized by the Phoenixville Area Clergy Association. The start time is 7:30 PM. Music this year will be provided by combined bell choirs from First United Methodist, First Presbyterian, and St. John's Lutheran Churches. The preacher will be Rob Mattox from Iron Works Church.





Christmas
Dinner Baskets
and
Star Tree Gifts
Help those in need Choose one or both ways to donate.

FPC will host a Community
Thanksgiving Dinner on
Thursday, November 28th, at
12:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.
All are welcome to attend. Help
with set-up, serving, delivering
meals, and clean-up would be
greatly appreciated. Questions?
Please contact the main office
at 610-933-8816.

It's almost time to deck the halls of FPC! Christmas decorating in the church will be on Saturday, November 30th, from 9:30 AM-12:00 PM. Drop in when it's convenient or stay the whole time to help. Many hands make merrier work!

Once again this year we will be helping those in need celebrate Christmas. Two ways to help are: Christmas Dinner Baskets and Star Tree Gifts. Suggested item lists for family baskets and stars are available now and are to be returned to the church BEFORE 12/8. Thanks in advance for your generosity this holiday season! Questions? Please see Jewell, Becky, or a MAC Committee member.







Plan on participating in FPC's tree trimming tradition. Over the years, church members have donated ornaments which are brought out of storage and made available for decorating on the First Sunday of Advent. Newcomers are welcome to bring an ornament on December 1st that's labeled with their name and date. Everyone trims the tree when the time is announced during the service. See Sunday's bulletin for more details.

The Nominating Committee is in search of new Members At Large to serve 2020-2021.

Please submit nominees to Becky Sinapius or turn in to the main office by Sunday,

December 1st. Check the insert in this Sunday's bulletin for more details.

Communion will be served on Sunday, December 1st. In the breaking of bread, we remember and celebrate Christ's presence among us. Come to the table and share in this special worship!



FPC will host an Advent
Workshop on Sunday,
December 1st at 12:00 PM in
Fellowship Hall. A lunch will be
available after worship before
the crafting, music, and
seasonal fun begins. A good
will offering will gladly be
received to help with the cost of

the supplies. Come and be jolly!



All are invited to attend an Advent Concert at St. John's Lutheran Church (355 St. John's Circle, Phoenixville) on Sunday, December 8th, at 7:00 PM. Composer and pianist Thomas Keesecker will lead an inspirational hour of piano music, reflection, poetry, laughter, and hymn singing featuring his collection of Advent piano music, The Quiet Center.



The next Clubhouse Cards session will be on Wednesday, December 11th. Play times are scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 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.







Prepare for Sunday's worship service by <u>clicking here</u> for the readings - Colossians 1:11-20 and John 18:19-24, 28-38.

A special thank you goes out to Jeanne Blackburn for many years of service coordinating the **Prayer Chain**. Her retirement leaves an opening for a **new coordinator**. Details can be found in the <u>bulletin</u>. If you have been wondering and praying about how you can serve FPCP from the comfort of your own home, here is your chance! If interested, please call the main office at 610-933-8816.

There is a part-time house manager position open at St.

Mary's Shelter, 209 Emmett St, Phoenixville. The night shift is 4:00 PM-8:00 AM with some flexibility and up to 7 hours of sleep time. For more information, please contact Sister Bernadette or call St. Mary's at 610-933-3097.



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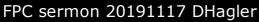
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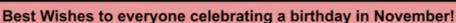
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Happy Birthday



Nov. 1st: Paul Parrish; John Zern

Nov. 4th: Dot McIntyre Nov. 5th: Barb Giebler

Nov. 7th: Keith Olsson

Nov. 8th: Joanne Jarrell;

Savannah Rivera

Nov. 9th: Patrice Barnes,

Kristen Skutch

Nov. 12th: Megan Smith

Nov. 14th: Noah Pilotti

Nov. 16th: Amy Roussey

Nov. 17th: Helen Harrop;

Chick Hiestand

Nov. 21st: Doug Hagler

Nov. 22nd: Ellen Williams;

Eric Wintsch

Nov. 23rd: Don Jarrell

Nov. 29th: Doris Langevin

