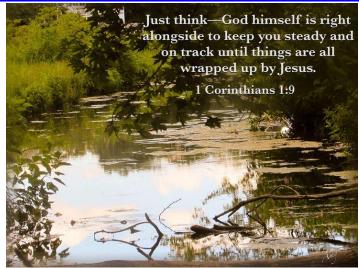
This Sunday's worship service will be streamed live over the internet at 10:30 a.m. and will be available to the public. It will be broadcast on FPC's YouTube Channel - "FPC Phoenixville".

The recorded version will be available for "anytime" viewing.

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Prelude "Blessed Assurance" arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome Rev. Doug Hagler

Announcements Sarah Shulman

Call to Worship (unison)

Karin Goodman

Almighty and eternal God, by your grace you have called us to this time and place to be your servant people as we follow our servant Lord.

Holy Spirit, move within and among us, that together we may live a new life in the crucified and risen Christ.

Bind us together in faith, so that as we receive all spiritual gifts needed to fulfill our calling, we may support one another in common ministry; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# \* Hymn # 442 "Just as I Am, without One Plea"



TEXT: Charlotte Elliott, 1834, alt.; Spanish trans. Tomás M. Westrup, alt; Korean trans. anon. MUSIC: William Batchelder Bradbury, 1849; harm. *The Hymnbook*, 1955 Korean Trans. © The Hymnal Society of Korea Music Harm. © 1955, ren. 1983 John Ribble (admin. Westminster John Knox Press)

(Please be seated.)

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Merciful and loving God, you have called us to be your people, and claimed us for service.

We confess that we have not lived up to our calling to proclaim the good news in word and deed.

We are quick to speak when we ought to listen and remain silent when it is time to speak.

We put too much faith in our own actions and fail to trust the strength of your Spirit. Forgive our foolish ways.

Strengthen us anew to follow Christ's way in the world.

By your Holy Spirit, give us the grace we need to be faithful disciples and fulfill our common calling. (Silent prayer and reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: By grace we have been saved through faith, and this is not our own doing; it is the gift of God. When we repent, in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.** 

\* Gloria Patri

(Children may come forward now for the children's message.)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen. (Please be seated.)

Children's Message

Installation and \*Ordination of Officers

Elders: Karin Goodman, Kathryn Grocki, \*Cassy Gulden, \*Jill Kleppinger, Jeanie Osterhoudt

Deacons: Paulette Mark, \*Lucinda Parrish, Lynne Williams, Bob Wittrock

**Constitutional Questions** 

Laying on of Hands

Apostle's Creed (unison) I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

Passing the Peace <u>Please remain socially distant</u> while greeting others.

Following the installation of church officers the children may go to their Sunday School rooms, to the church nursery room or they may stay with their family in worship.

Call to the word "Listen You Nations of the World"

Prayer for Illumination

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Karin Goodman

Leader: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

#### Reading: Psalm 40:1-11

- <sup>1</sup> I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry.
- <sup>2</sup> He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. <sup>3</sup> He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.
- <sup>4</sup> Happy are those who make the LORD their trust, who do not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.
- You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you.

  Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be counted.
- Sacrifice and offering you do not desire, but you have given me an open ear.

  Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.
- <sup>7</sup> Then I said, "Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.
- <sup>8</sup> I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."
- <sup>9</sup> I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; see, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O LORD.
- I have not hidden your saving help within my heart, I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation. <sup>11</sup> Do not, O LORD, withhold your mercy from me; let your steadfast love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

#### Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

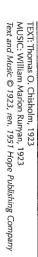
<sup>1</sup>Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind — <sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you — <sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God. Amen.** 

\* Hymn # 39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"



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(Please be seated.)

Offering Prayer

Leader: The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it,

People: the world, and those who live in it.

Leader: Freely you have received, freely give.

Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the

earth.

Offertory

"Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether" arr. H. Friedell

\* Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\* Prayer of Dedication

Elder: Adam Smith

(Please be seated.)

Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### The Summons



- 1 "Will you come and fol low me if I but call your name?
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
- 3 "Will you let the blind ed see if I but call your name?
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er the be same? Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er the same? Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er the same? the Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be same? Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known; Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare? Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen, Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round, In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.



me?" will you let my life be grown in you and you in Will you let an - swer prayer in you and you me?" and to what I mean in you and you me?" ad - mit me?" through my sight and touch and sound in you and you Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you me.

\* Benediction Postlude

# "Counting Every Blessing"

Rev. Doug Hagler Praise Team

### **Sanctuary Flowers**

The flowers in the sanctuary are given today to the glory of God.

#### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Terms for the Class of 2023 expire today. New Elders and Deacons begin their terms today.

\*\* = To be ordained and installed \*= To be installed

#### **SESSION MEMBERS**

Class of 2023: Mike Eitl, Kathryn Grocki, Ron Williams & Chris Wittrock.

<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Ken Brown	Jewell Baker	*Karin Goodman
Kevin Carrabine	George Cockerill	**Cassy Gulden
*Kathryn Grocki	Jeff McLaughlin	**Jill Kleppinger
Roger Warwick	Adam Smith	*Jeanie Osterhoudt

#### **BOARD OF DEACONS**

Class of 2023: Karen Drummond, Paulette Mark & Bob Wittrock.

<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Jen Johnson	Kristin Craven	*Paulette Mark
Gail Schnaedter	Gail Landazuri	**Lucinda Parrish
Kathy Thais	Mona Sabia	*Lynne Williams
Ellen Williams		*Bob Wittrock

The **Annual Congregational Meeting** has been called for Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 a.m. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the 2023 Nominating Committee, receive the 2022 Annual Report, and approve the pastor's Terms of Call.

Note: Since the meeting will once again be held in person, you must attend the meeting in person in order to vote.

## **Heifer Project – The Results Are In!**

Today in Sunday School, we will celebrate the efforts of those who contributed to our project to raise funds for Heifer International. With combined cash donations and purchases of Alternative Gift Cards, the Sunday School children raised a total of \$400! And ... (drum roll) ... because of a special <u>triple</u> matching offer from Heifer International, that total actually made \$1200 available for purchasing animals and other agricultural needs. Based on a poll taken among the children in Sunday School, our donations will purchase the following:

- flocks of chicks (for egg production) for 21 families (the "winning" vote);
- o honeybees (hive, bees, and training) for six families;
- o flocks of ducks (for egg production) for nine families;
- o garden seeds (starter seeds for trees and food plants) for three families;
- o a goat (to provide milk, cheese, and butter) for one family;
- o a sheep (for wool) for one family.

Thanks to all who contributed to this amazing outcome. And a special thanks to Gail Landazuri for organizing and overseeing the project ... and for doing all of the math at the conclusion!

### Gratitude in 2023

Your Church Growth Committee has a plan for a simple church-wide practice in the coming year, based on something we do with the children each week in Sunday School. If you are like us, you have some unused notebooks and journals lying around, or on shelves, or in a closet. Maybe you bought them thinking, "I'll start journaling this year" but you haven't started yet. Bring them to the church office and keep an eye out for a church-wide practice we'll be introducing in 2023.

#### **Furniture Needed**

Our Bridge of Hope neighbors are moving soon and are in need of some furniture. They need three dressers, a futon or sofa bed, a sofa, and a chair. If you have any of these pieces of furniture you are willing to donate, let Pastor Doug know.

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#### 2023 Calendars Needed

Chris Wittrock is collecting 2023 calendars to give to Books Through Bars, as incarcerated people frequently request them. Bring in any extra 2023 calendars you have to the church office and Chris will collect them throughout January.

# **Prayer Requests**

# Joys:

# **Concerns:**

# **Prayer Chain & Prayer Requests**

To request prayers, you can fill out a card in the worship service, drop a note off in the church office or email Amy Myers and members will be lifting you up in prayer. <a href="mailto:fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com">fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com</a> You may also call Sue Smith at <a href="mailto:fo10">(610) 933-8816</a> and she will forward your requests on to Amy. Anyone interested in being a Prayer Warrior should email Amy.

## **Presbytery Women's Circle**

The women's study, *Celebrating Sabbath*, will resume on Sunday, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon in the parlor. Bring a snack or your lunch. Enjoy a brief video session followed by discussion and prayer. Join in this fun learning experience.

### Men's Group

All men of the congregation are welcome to meet with Pastor Doug for a Men's Group gathering after the service on Sunday, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>. Meet in the church office and then the chat will continue with lunch at Molly Maguire's restaurant at Main & Bridge streets. Chat, bond, and learn something new.

# **Books Through Bars**

The next Books Through Bars volunteer trip will be on Saturday, Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>. Registration to volunteer is available via Sign-Up Genius. <a href="https://www.cignupgenius.com/go/8050F4AADA722A1FB6-books">https://www.cignupgenius.com/go/8050F4AADA722A1FB6-books</a>, or call Sue Smith in the church office (610-933-8816) to sign up. Please indicate if you are willing to share with driving. Volunteers will meet in the church parking lot at 10:30 am and return by 2:30 pm. Thanks in advance for your help with this meaningful ministry.

### **Pub Theology**

The next Pub Theology will meet on Sunday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> at **7:00 PM** at The Foodery, (325 Bridge St, Phoenixville). Join Pastor Doug in a discussion of theological topics and current events over food and drinks. Listen, chat, and hash things out...it's fun and thought-provoking!

#### **Antiracism Book Club**

The Antiracism Book Club will continue conversation about *Caste* by Isabel Wilkerson. Zoom with the group at 7:00 pm on Sunday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>. No book, no problem. There is a free audio version on YouTube. Check it out by visiting <a href="https://youtu.be/xgf85EZ\_eIE">https://youtu.be/xgf85EZ\_eIE</a>. Discussion will pick up on chapter 27.

# **2023 Pledge Campaign**

The **Stewardship Committee** would like to thank everyone who completed their pledge card for 2023. By completing your pledge card you have helped the Finance Committee as they planned for the fiscal new year. Your generous and faithful offerings support the ministries and the many good works of First Presbyterian Church. **Thank you.** 

#### Thank You...

The Stewardship Committee would like to thank each and every one who took part in the "Raise Right" gift card fundraiser in 2022. You helped to raise \$2,708.84 for the church. Thank you!

We will be taking a pause for the month of January, and begin again in February. See you in February!!

## **Cards for the Military**

There is a basket in fellowship hall for your cards, letters, and notes for individuals serving in the military. Jen Johnson will be delivering these notes to her nephew Peter Johnson and his Navy squadron. Contact Jen (<a href="mailto:physedjj@verizon.net">physedjj@verizon.net</a>) for more information.

# **Upcoming Scripture Readings**

January 22<sup>nd</sup>: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23

January 29<sup>th</sup>: Micah 6:1-8; Matthew 5:1-12 February 5<sup>th</sup>: Isaiah 58:1-12; Matthew 5:13-20

#### This Week in the Life of the Church

# **Sunday, January 15th** (\*Childcare available.)

8:30 a.m. Bible Study via Zoom with Sue Casey

10:30 a.m. \*WORSHIP – Rev. Doug Hagler, In person and via YouTube

10:45 a.m. \*Sunday School (start in church then to Sunday School rooms)

12:00 n. Men's Group (meet in office then out for lunch)

12:00 n. Women's Circle (parlor)

# Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> Church office closed.

6:30 p.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)

# Tuesday, January 17th

6:30 p.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)

7:30 p.m. Property Committee meeting (office)

# Wednesday, January 18th

12:30 p.m. Church Growth Committee meeting (Panera Bread Collegeville)

7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsal (choir room)

### Thursday, January 19th

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (fellowship hall)

9:00 a.m. People to People clothing+ (fellowship hall)

10:00 a.m. People to People Food ministry (kitchen)

7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal (choir room)

### Friday, January 20th

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (fellowship hall)

# Saturday, January 21st

9:30 a.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)

11:00 a.m. Church leadership workshop (fellowship hall)

# **Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>** (\*Childcare available.)

8:30 a.m. Bible Study via Zoom with Sue Casey

10:30 a.m. \*WORSHIP - Rev. Doug Hagler, In person and via YouTube

10:45 a.m. \*Sunday School (start in church then to Sunday School rooms)

7:00 p.m. Antiracism Book Club via Zoom

**Nursery/Sunday School:** The church nursery is located on the 2nd floor of the main building in room 209 and is available for children ages infant-3 years.

All children 3 years and older are invited to attend Sunday School during worship (children will depart fellowship hall for their classrooms immediately following the Children's Sermon), with ages 3-5 in room 210, ages 6-8 in room 208, and grades 5 and older in the third-floor classroom. Sunday School is from 10:45am–11:45am.

**Restrooms:** The church restrooms are located on the first & second floors of the main building. Ushers can help direct you to the restrooms.

**For Hearing Assistance:** If you wish to use a wireless assistive listening device to better hear the service, see one of the ushers.

**Large Print Bulletins** are available from an usher.

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