

YOUR FPC: PHOENIXVILLE

Welcome to...

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The weekly e-newsletter from First Presbyterian Church

THIS WEEK'S PULSE

Wednesday, August 9

No events scheduled.

Thursday, August 10

9:00 a.m. Public Health Management (Fellowship Hall)

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

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

7:00 p.m. Christian Education Committee Meeting - Zoom

7:00 p.m. Compassionate Friends Meeting (Parlor)

Friday, August 11

No events scheduled.

Saturday, August 12

No events scheduled.

SUNDAY, August 13

9:45 a.m. Pick Up Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary Piano)

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE with Rev. Jane DeFord - *Onsite with childcare and online* - [FPC YouTube Channel](#)

11:45 a.m. Lemonade in the Shade (front steps)

Monday, August 14

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

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

7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, August 15

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

7:30 p.m. Property Committee Meeting

Wednesday, August 16

10:00 a.m. AARP Board Meeting

12:30 p.m. Church Growth Committee Meeting

THIS SUNDAY

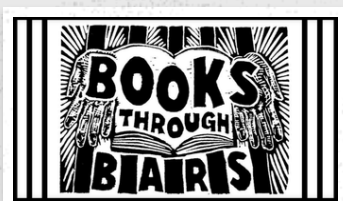
WORSHIP SERVICE with Childcare: Join fellow congregants in-person or online this Sunday for the 10:30 AM service in the sanctuary with Rev. Jane DeFord. If watching from home, visit our [YouTube Channel](#) for the livestream video and follow along with the bulletin found here - <https://fpcphoenixville.org/publications/bulletins/>. Rev. DeFord has served as the Presbytery liaison for First Presbyterian for the last nine years and has been a friend and mentor to Pastor Doug during that time. Semi-retired, she remains active in Presbyterian Women, the Presbytery of Donegal, and at Central Presbyterian Church. We look forward to and appreciate the time she will spend with us.

PICK-UP CHOIR: Any and all interested singers are invited to participate in the Pick-Up Choir this Sunday, August 13th. Please meet by the sanctuary piano at 9:45 AM to rehearse the anthem, and then sing the selection during the service. If choir is something you've always

considered but weren't sure about it, then this is the perfect, low-stress, unintimidating activity for you! Join in the fun!

LEMONADE in the SHADE: Join us in the shade in front of church this Sunday immediately after service. The snack and beverage cart will be ready for the volunteers to share treats and lemonade with you. Cool off and catch up with fellow congregants. Please join us! Check with Jewell if you want to take part in working the cart. More volunteers are always welcome! Please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

NOTABLES



The next **Books Through Bars** volunteer trip is on Saturday, August 19th. Registration to volunteer is available via SignUp Genius - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050f4aada722a1fb6-books1/121281582#/>, or call Sue Smith in the main office (610-933-8816) for assistance with 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.



A new **Women's Circle Bible Study** will start on the **3rd Sunday** in September, 9/17, with the 2023-24 PW/Horizons Bible Study *Sacred Encounters*. Review the Gospel of Luke and Acts of the Apostles to explore the sharing of the Good News through sacred encounters with everyday people. Please contact [Jewell](#) to order a study guide.



One **August** date remains for **Scrip Orders** - Tuesdays, the **22nd**. Think about doing back-to-school shopping with gift cards to your favorite stores. To place an order, please call or text Lynne Williams at 610-955-4749 (cell), or send an email to brettdrew@comcast.net. We will complete the order forms for you. Please make checks payable to "First Presbyterian Church DR". Use the cards and the church gets a percentage. Thank you! The Stewardship Committee



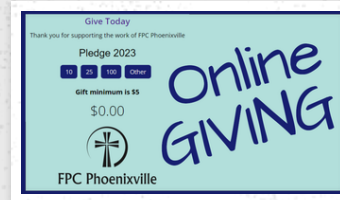
Prepare for Sunday's worship service by [clicking here](#) for the readings.

Genesis 25: 21-23; 27-34
and
Mark 6:30-44



AUGUST's JOURNALING:

During our year-long journey of gratitude, we invite you to record your responses in a journal so you can reflect at the end of the year. This week's prompt is: **What experience do you get to share with someone you are thankful for?** If you would like to share your reflection (1-2 minutes) after a specific prompt or something you are grateful for, please let us know and we can let you share! *The Church Growth Committee*



FPC's new **giving tool** is fully operational, similar to our former tool, and is highly secure. When you click the **DONATE** button on our [website's home page](#), you will see giving options. Make a selection and click on the Give Now button. Thank you! Questions about the new solution? Please have a look at this [user video](#), see [giving FAQs](#), contact our Treasurer at fpc treasurer145@gmail.com or call the church office.



The church Stewardship Committee is asking for volunteers to sign up for **"Parking Lot Collection Help."** This will occur on the first Friday of each month. Please [click here](#) to view the online sign up sheet. Thank you!



Card writing for the **military** continues. There is a basket in the narthex 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 at physedjj@verizon.net for more information.



Our prayer angels are ready to help and support you or loved ones. Please email **Prayer Chain** requests to fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com. Offers to be a prayer angel can be emailed to the same address, or call the main office at 610-933-8816.





SUNDAY'S SERMON



Happy Birthday

Best Wishes to everyone celebrating a birthday in August!

August 1: Jeffrey Kleppinger

August 2: Brian Goodman

August 3: Adam Blackburn

August 4: Roger Warwick

August 7: Ashley Mandrusiak,
Peggy Zielinski

August 8: Dahlia Gulden

August 12: Sue Casey

August 15: Morgan Craven

August 16: Sarah Barkley

August 17: Olivia Craven

August 18: Jennifer Johnson

August 19: Meg Krauth,
Rob Mark

August 24: Ken Brown,
Poppy Hagler

August 27: Joan Ryder

August 30: Kathy Morris,
Carol Warwick