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FROM THE PASTOR

Proverbs 29

- ¹² *If a ruler listens to falsehood,
all his officials will be wicked.*
- ¹³ *The poor and the oppressor have this in common:
the Lord gives light to the eyes of both.*
- ¹⁴ *If a king judges the poor with equity,
his throne will be established forever.*
- ¹⁶ *When the wicked are in authority, transgression increases,
but the righteous will look upon their downfall.*
- ¹⁸ *Where there is no vision, the people cast off restraint,
but happy are those who keep the law.*

The Confession of Belhar

In the King James Version of Proverbs 29:18, the word translated as prophecy in the NRSV (the translation the PCUSA most commonly uses) is translated as vision. Either one seems justified by the Hebrew *châzôwn* which means vision, prophetic vision, or even ecstatic vision. Vision, among other things, is a vivid image of the future that guides us in the present. This is true of prophetic visions (when we take them seriously) as well as something mundane like a well-crafted vision statement of a congregation or nonprofit.

First Presbyterian Church has been guided by visions, in fact. During my time here, two people have brought a visionary dream to Session for discussion that has affected decisions Session has made. Just this past Sunday, someone shared a dream they had pertaining to our discussion of a new mission statement for the church. This is simply to say that visions are not things we only read about in scripture, or in the past.

A few days ago I rewatched a movie I really enjoy, *The Secret Life of Walter Mitty*. It's a film adaptation of a short story that expands on the story, starring Adam Sandler in the title roll. I don't want to spoil everything, but it is a story of someone who has a lot of visions amounting to extended fantasies of adventure that contrast sharply with his everyday life and the way people perceive him and treat him. But the movie is about the power that those visions can have.

In 2016, the PCUSA voted to add a new confession to our Book of Confessions, Book 1 of our Constitution, for the first time in decades. It is also the first Confession that came from the continent of Africa, originating in South Africa near the end of Apartheid. During Apartheid (enforced racial separation) in South Africa, the Reformed Church there had split into three churches - in very basic terms, one that enthusiastically supported Apartheid, one that didn't speak against it, and one that did speak out against it. Obviously, it was the third branch of the Reformed Church that developed the Confession. (This is very similar to when American churches split over slavery leading up to the Civil War - the Presbyterian Church would stay split for over 100 years)

Belhar is a vision for the church which is as necessary now for the United States as it was in the 80s in South Africa. It is a vision of a church that does not tolerate racial separation, and which actively dismantles the ideas that support racism and White Supremacy. As Sarah announced this past Sunday, I decided to postpone our learning event focusing on Belhar -

there are just too many good things going on right now, and I didn't want to over-tax anyone's calendar. I'll be looking for a quieter period of time, but I am excited to share this new Confession of the Presbyterian Church.

Most people have never read the Confession, of course, so here it is below. If you would like to read the full text, [click this link](#) on the digital version of the Perspective for the full Book of Confessions in PDF form.

Sincerely,
Pastor Doug

The Declaration of Belhar

The Confession of Belhar

September 1986

1. We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.
2. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family.

We believe

- that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another;
- that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that through the working of God's Spirit it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain;
- that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted;
- that this unity of the people of God must be manifested and be active in a variety of ways: in that we love one another; that we experience, practice and pursue community with one another; that we are obligated to give ourselves willingly and joyfully to be of benefit and blessing to one another; that we share one faith, have one calling, are of one soul and one mind; have one God and Father, are filled with one Spirit, are baptized with one baptism, eat of one bread and drink of one cup, confess one name, are obedient to one Lord, work for one cause, and share one hope; together come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ; together are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity; together know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ that we need one another and upbuild one another, admonishing and comforting

one another; that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness; pray together; together serve God in this world; and together fight against all which may threaten or hinder this unity;

- that this unity can be established only in freedom and not under constraint; that the variety of spiritual gifts, opportunities, backgrounds, convictions, as well as the various languages and cultures, are by virtue of the reconciliation in Christ, opportunities for mutual service and enrichment within the one visible people of God;
- that true faith in Jesus Christ is the only condition for membership of this church;

Therefore, we reject any doctrine

- which absolutizes either natural diversity or the sinful separation of people in such a way that this absolutization hinders or breaks the visible and active unity of the church, or even leads to the establishment of a separate church formation;
- which professes that this spiritual unity is truly being maintained in the bond of peace while believers of the same confession are in effect alienated from one another for the sake of diversity and in despair of reconciliation;
- which denies that a refusal earnestly to pursue this visible unity as a priceless gift is sin;
- which explicitly or implicitly maintains that descent or any other human or social factor should be a consideration in determining membership of the church.

3. We believe

- that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker, that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.
- that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit has conquered the powers of sin and death, and therefore also of irreconciliation and hatred, bitterness and enmity, that God's lifegiving Word and Spirit will enable the church to live in a new obedience which can open new possibilities of life for society and the world;
- that the credibility of this message is seriously affected and its beneficial work obstructed when it is proclaimed in a land which professes to be Christian, but in which the enforced separation of people on a racial basis promotes and perpetuates alienation, hatred and enmity;
- that any teaching which attempts to legitimate such forced separation by appeal to the gospel, and is not prepared to venture on the road of obedience and reconciliation, but rather, out of prejudice, fear, selfishness and unbelief, denies in advance the reconciling power of the gospel, must be considered ideology and false doctrine.

Therefore, we reject any doctrine

- which, in such a situation sanctions in the name of the gospel or of the will of God the forced separation of people on the grounds of race and color and thereby in advance obstructs and weakens the ministry and experience of reconciliation in Christ.

4. We believe

- that God has revealed himself as the one who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people;
- that God, in a world full of injustice and enmity, is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor and the wronged
- that God calls the church to follow him in this; for God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry;
- that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind;
- that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows and blocks the path of the ungodly;
- that for God pure and undefiled religion is to visit the orphans and the widows in their suffering;
- that God wishes to teach the church to do what is good and to seek the right;
- that the church must therefore stand by people in any form of suffering and need, which implies, among other things, that the church must witness against and strive against any form of injustice, so that justice may roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream;
- that the church as the possession of God must stand where the Lord stands, namely against injustice and with the wronged; that in following Christ the church must witness against all the powerful and privileged who selfishly seek their own interests and thus control and harm others.

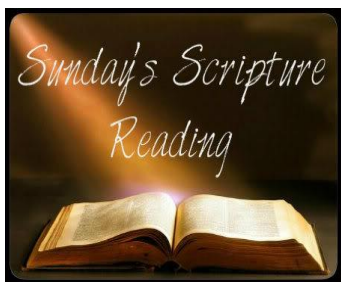
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- which would legitimate forms of injustice and any doctrine which is unwilling to resist such an ideology in the name of the gospel.

5. We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ, its only head, the church is called to confess and to do all these things, even though the authorities and human laws might forbid them and punishment and suffering be the consequence.

Jesus is Lord. To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever.

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS



- Oct. 6th: Psalm 103:1-17; Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12
- Oct. 13th: Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Mark 10:17-31
- Oct. 20th: Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45
- Oct. 27th: Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Hebrews 7:23-28

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

Away
Tuesday, October 1 through Friday, October 4

FROM THE CLERK OF SESSION

- ❖ Average Sunday morning attendance:
 - August we had an average of 50 worshipping in person and an average of 14 households viewing the 10:30am YouTube premiere with 4 *chatting*.
- ❖ The Life of the church
 - No changes
 - Current membership is 170.
- ❖ Communion was celebrated:
 - Communion was celebrated Sunday, September 1st when approximately 40 people were served.
 - Next communion will be World Communion Sunday, October 6th.
- ❖ Session Meeting Information
 - At the July meeting Session created a Mission Statement Task Force composed of Rev. Hagler, Cassy Gulden, Karin Goodman, Jacqui Busch, Jill Kleppinger, and a representative from the Deacons.
 - Information from the September 24th Session meeting will appear in the next issue as it will be approved on October 22nd.

Jewell Baker, Clerk of Session

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE NOTES

Scrip Gift Cards

We ask that you consider shopping with **gift cards** to your favorite stores while at the same time you benefit our church financially. A percentage of each gift card purchased is donated to our church. In **October** we will be placing orders on **Monday, October 7** and **Monday, October 21**. If you would like to place an order, please call or text Lynne Williams at 610-955-4749 (cell), or send an email to brettdrew@comcast.net. Please make checks payable to "First Presbyterian Church DR". As always, thank you for continuing to support this program! *The Stewardship Committee*

Stewardship Begins with Gratitude

Stewardship begins with gratitude to God for everything we have received from Him. We express our thanksgiving and gratitude by giving back to God a portion of His gifts. During the month of October, the Stewardship Committee will kick off the **Pledge Campaign** for the year **2025**. This is when we ask that you prayerfully consider your financial commitment to our church. Your generous and faithful offerings help to support the many ministries of First Presbyterian Church. Your pledge helps the Finance Committee as they plan for the coming year. In the coming weeks, you will receive a mailing which will include your **2025 pledge card** and additional information. We thank you for your continued financial support.
The Stewardship Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL



The 2024-2025 Sunday School year is underway! We held our first classes on September 15. In addition to introductions and some singing, the children decorated wooden banks to be used for collecting Heifer Project donations through the fall. We will let parents know when the Heifer banks should be returned to church. At that time, we will also engage Sunday School children in deciding how to allocate our donations to Heifer International. For more information about the programs supported by Heifer International, go to www.heifer.org.

On September 22, during the *Blessing of the Animals* worship service, children participated by providing music and readings. Their efforts added a great deal to the already joyous mood of the service.

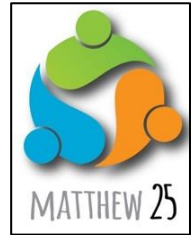
On Monday, September 30, Sunday School parents and teachers provided a taco meal for St. Mary's Franciscan Shelter as part of FPC's week for providing daily meals. Thanks to all who contributed to this intergenerational effort!

The Grant Writing Committee recently secured a \$1000 grant (through Columbia Theological Seminary and Lilly Endowment, Inc.) for materials and programs that promote children's engagement in worship. We are using these funds to purchase (1) books and other materials for a child resource center in the narthex, (2) ukuleles for use in worship, and (3) materials for worship-related drama activities and presentations.

Upcoming Events:

- An intergenerational pumpkin-decorating workshop will take place in conjunction with the Oktoberfest Luncheon on October 27.
- The next Bingo Night will occur on Friday evening, November 1. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. and play will start at 6:30.
- At various upcoming church events, the Christian Education Committee will be selling new Tupperware that has been graciously donated by Liz Carrabine. All proceeds will go to Sunday School and related programs.

First Presbyterian Church of Phoenixville is a *PCUSA Matthew 25 Church*, meaning that we have committed ourselves to following the principles of empathy and compassion summarized in Matthew 25:34-40. Throughout the current school year, Sunday School children will become familiar with these verses and others in Sunday School. Consider reviewing Matthew 25:34-40 with your child and discussing what it means for us as Christians.



If you have any questions about Sunday School, contact Jeff McLaughlin at fpcchildrenandyouth@gmail.com. And, whenever you get a chance, thank a Sunday School teacher!

Jeff McLaughlin, Children & Youth Coordinator

PARISH LIFE

Would you like to join the **Parish Life Committee**? Please come to our next meeting on October 8th at Liberty Union at 5:30 PM. Email Wendy at pennepackerw@gmail.com to be added to the reservation list.

Everyone is invited to our

Oktoberfest Celebration

on Sunday, October 27th in Fellowship Hall right after worship. We're still working on the menu but there will be **pretzels and beer** for sure...root beer that is! ☺ So, find your lederhosen and dirndl and if you can play the accordion bring it along! Watch for a sign-up so we know how many will be attending.



Coming in 2025 will be the return of **"Dinner for 8"** more about that next month.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC NOTES

Come join us and other Christians around the world to celebrate World Communion Sunday on October 6th. I hope to see you all there.

The third Sunday of October, the 20th, is going to be a special day. It is the day we will celebrate all the musicians that provide music for our services. Yes, this is a new time to do this. We will celebrate by viewing a video made up of snippets of our different musicians' contributions from previous services. Please come out and thank our musicians for sharing their talents that enhance our worship experience.

The first Sunday in November, the 3rd, we will celebrate Communion and All Saints. We will also be enjoying Old Time Religion Sunday. Ladies get your hats ready and men your suits while we take a trip back in time.

See you in church!

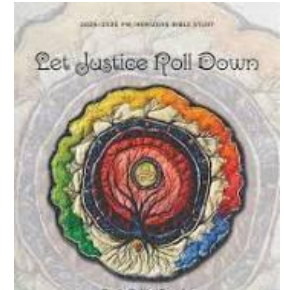
PRAYER CHAIN & PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send any prayer needs to Sandy Schrack at fpcprayerchain2@gmail.com. Your request will be distributed to FPC's prayer angels. Their silent efforts will be put to work to lift you up. The same email address can be used for anyone wishing to join the prayer team.

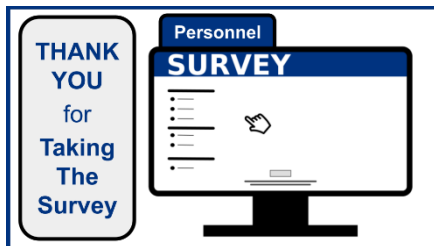


PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLE

The 2024-2025 study *Let Justice Roll Down: God's Call to Care for Neighbors and All Creation* has begun but it's not too late to join. All women are invited to attend Circle meeting on the third Sunday each month, so bring your lunch and join us in the parlor following worship. Extra study guides are available, please see Jewell Baker if you would like one.



PERSONNEL COMMITTEE



The Personnel committee would like to thank all of you that responded to the recent FPC Congregational Survey. We appreciate the input and insightful comments, and will work to implement many of your suggestions. Please continue to feel free to share comments or suggestions as to how to continue to improve our church and nurture our congregation and staff to the Personnel committee or any Session member.



THE DEACONS' DIALOGUE

The Book of Order of the PC USA defines the role of Deacon as “one of compassion, witness, and service, sharing in the redeeming love of Jesus Christ for the poor, the hungry, the sick, the lost, the friendless, the oppressed, those burdened by unjust policies or structures, or anyone in distress.”

At FPC, we're organized as a Board of Deacons to serve and care for our members and the greater community, focusing on caring for members in need, whatever that need may be. We're here for you, especially in times of hardship, so please always feel free to reach out to your Deacon (or any Deacon!), whether for a visit, a meal, special assistance, or a prayer. If you would like to be a Deacon helper by providing a meal or occasional ride, please get in touch with your Deacon (or any Deacon!) or email DeaconsFPC145@gmail.com.

BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2024

Kristin Craven

Gail Landazuri

Mona Sabia

OPEN

Class of 2025

Paulette Mark

Lucinda Parrish

Lynne Williams

OPEN

Class of 2026

Rebecca Barkley

Jen Johnson

Amy Mincavage

Gail Schnaedter

CHURCH GROWTH COMMITTEE

Meetings are held on the second Friday of the month, with the Grant Writing subcommittee meeting at 10:00 a.m. and the Church Growth committee meeting at 11:00 a.m. They are via Zoom and in the Church Office. For questions about the Church Growth Committee, contact Kristin at kristin.c.craven@gmail.com.

Anti-Racism Book Club:

The next meeting of the Anti-Racism Book Club is *Sunday, October 27th* at *7:00 pm* via Zoom.

Gratitude Journal:

In continuing our gratitude journaling, we will be providing monthly prompts in kindness. For October, we ask, *how do you show kindness to strangers?*

Mental Health Ministry:

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA)

Mental Health First Aid, like regular first aid, can help someone in a medical emergency until help arrives. Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) is given until appropriate treatment and support are received or until the crisis resolves. This evidence based public education program introduces participants to risk factors and warning signs of mental illness and suicide. ****Please note that registration closes TEN (10) days prior to class.****

MHFA trainings are offered free to the community through a partnership between the Chester County Office of MHIDD and the Chester County Suicide Prevention Partnership.

Friday, October 18 | 8:30 – 4:00 pm

Chester County Hospital, Rhodes Building (515 E Marshall St, West Chester, PA 19380).

To register, please visit ccsp-task-force.ticketleap.com/mhfa-oct18/.

*Jacqui Busch & Pastor Doug are planning on attending. Contact [Pastor Doug](#) for carpool information.

Thursday, December 5 | 8:30 am – 4:00pm

Chester County Government Services Center (601 Westtown Road, West Chester, PA 19380). To register, please visit ccsp-task-force.ticketleap.com/mhfa-dec5/.

*Kristin Craven & Gail Landazuri plan on attending. Please contact either of them for carpool information.

Youth MHFA is an evidence-based course designed to teach adults who work with youth how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or substance use challenge or is in crisis.

Thursday, Nov 21 | 8:30 am – 3:00 pm

Chester County Government Services Center (601 Westtown Road, West Chester, PA 19380). To register, please visit ccsp-task-force.ticketleap.com/ymhfa-nov21/.

Prison Ministry:

Book Through Bars:

The next visit to Books Through Bars will be on Saturday, October 19th. If you are interested in attending, contact Terri Camilari or email communityfpc145@gmail.com.

To learn more about Books Through Bars, visit <https://www.booksthroughbars.org/>. If you have any questions about FPC’s involvement, please get in touch with Terri Camilari or email communityfpc145@gmail.com.

Donate books:

Please look at the books we need right now at BTB, and be sure to look at the type of books they DO NOT need. <https://www.booksthroughbars.org/donate-books>

Alternatively, you can purchase books from the Wishlist using this link to Bookshop.org and have them shipped directly to Books Through Bars 4722 Baltimore Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19143. And by ordering from Bookshop.org, you will be supporting small booksellers.

Queer Circle:

The next meeting of *Queer Circle will be on Sunday, October 20th at 7:00 pm*. Discussion continues on the book, “Jesus, the Bible, and Homosexuality,” by former PCUSA Moderator of the General Assembly, Rev. Dr. Jack Rogers. Newcomers are welcome anytime – with or without the book. For more information, talk to [Pastor Doug](#), Sarah, or Jacqui for more information.

Confession of Belhar:

The Church Growth Committee plans to add a banner in Fellowship Hall on the Confession of Belhar. Soon we will host a lunch and learn session for anyone interested in learning more about this confession. Subsequent meetings will be scheduled to design and create the banner. In the new year, a special unveiling event will be held for the whole congregation. Stay tuned for more details. If you are interested in participating or if you have any questions, please contact Kristin at Kristin.c.craven@gmail.com or Pastor Doug at pastor145@comcast.net.



MISSIONS, ACTIONS, CONCERNS (MAC) COMMITTEE

Do you support a nonprofit that could use extra hands? MAC is looking for volunteer and service opportunities we can offer to the congregation. If you have any opportunities that you think the congregation could assist with, email us at MissionsFPC145@gmail.com.

If you are looking to expand your involvement in church, consider MAC. Meetings are held in the Parlor and via Zoom on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 9:00 am. If you want to join MAC, email Kristin at MissionsFPC145@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

October Meeting Update In October, we will be meeting a week later than we typically meet. Join us for our next meeting on **Wednesday, October 16th** from **9:00 am – 11:30 am** in the **church parlor**. In addition to having a meeting, we will also be doing a hands-on service project.

Local Missions:

You can see all updates from our Local Mission Organizations (and all organizations we support) at this link: <https://bit.ly/FPCMissionaries>.

Liberty Ministries

Liberty Ministry is hosting its Annual Fundraising Banquet on Friday, October 17, from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at The Belle of Blue Bell (1800 Tournament Road, Blue Bell, PA 19422). Seating begins at 5:00 pm.



If you want more information or to attend, visit <https://www.libertyministries.us/events>.

About Liberty Ministries:

Liberty Ministries was established in 1980 to serve the inmate populations of Montgomery County Correctional Facility and the State Correctional Institution at Graterford. Since then, Liberty Ministries has positively impacted thousands of men and women inmates and ex-inmates with the teaching of the Word of God, spiritual, physical, and emotional support, and the life-changing power of Jesus Christ. For more information, visit <https://www.libertyministries.us/>.

Phoenixville Free Clinic

Phoenixville Free Clinic (PFC) welcomed members from MAC to talk about their organization and show us their space. Phoenixville Free Clinic provides quality healthcare to the uninsured and underserved with dignity and respect. MAC members learned how they treat patients in their space and how PFC works with local healthcare providers when they cannot give the quality of care a patient comes in with.

To learn more about Phoenixville Free Clinic, visit <https://www.phoenixvillefreeclinic.org/>



People to People

Thank you to all those who supported our Garage Sale! We will have final numbers in the bulletin and next Perspective. Donations can be accepted after October 3rd on Thursdays 9 – 11 AM. We value donated items being in clean, and usable/working condition. Your willingness to share your treasures to help with the People to People Mission serving our community is greatly appreciated.

PV Power Packs

MAC's September meeting fell on Wednesday, September 11th. This day has become a national day of service. To honor those who lost their lives and those who rushed in to help minutes, hours, and days after, MAC launched a service-component to their meeting and participated in a hand-on service project for PV Power Packs. MAC committee members double-bagged plastic bags for PV Power Packs to use when preparing their weekend packages.



Power Packs are weekend bags of food for students experiencing food insecurity. The bags include two breakfast items, two lunch items, two snacks, and two fruits. All food is non-perishable. No financial information is required to participate in this program.

To learn more about PV Power Packs, visit <https://www.pvsd.org/families/pv-power-packs/>



Spanish Health Ministry

An excerpt from their September 1, 2024 update. The full article can be found on the MAC bulletin board and in the Missionaries folder at the link above.

As you know, some of our patients we have worked with since they were in their mother's womb! Now they are young adults with special needs medically, physically, and intellectually. The past few years Bonnie and I have been learning how to get follow-up for

these young adults as they age out of pediatric medical care. It is a huge challenge to find the help they need in the adult medical system.

The Mission of the Spanish Health Ministry is to respond to the medical needs of Spanish speaking high-risk pregnant women and families of disabled or medically fragile babies and children who live in the Southern Chester County area to develop a relationship with them to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ. To learn more about Spanish Health ministry, visit <https://spanishhealthministry.org/>

National Missions:

You can see all updates from our National Missions (and all organizations we support) at this link: <https://bit.ly/FPCMissionaries>.

Bread for the World:

The Farm Bill



On Tuesday, September 3rd, some members of MAC and members from the community who focus on hunger and food access met with Chrissy Houlahan's legislative aid, Conor Johnston. MAC Committee made sure to have Conor reiterate our thanks to Rep. Houlahan for her continued support for the Farm Bill. Representatives from Bread for the World, PACS, St. Mary's, and a retired pastor from Reading join our MAC members to support food access in Phoenixville and the country.

Hispanic Heritage Month

There is much to celebrate and share in the broadly diverse U.S. Hispanic/Latino community – more than just contributions to the economy but also to our culture, community, and even our faith. Unfortunately, hunger rates among Hispanic/Latino households in the U.S. have been increasing at concerning rates. This Hispanic Heritage Month, we invite you to join us in prayer for Latino communities experiencing hunger and pledge to vote for candidates in November who will make ending hunger a priority.

Global Missions:

You can see all updates from our Missionaries (and all organizations we support) at this link: <https://bit.ly/FPCMissionaries>.

Special Hope Network

Here is an excerpt from their update titled *A Window into Our World*. The full article can be found in the Missionaries folder at the above link.

We recently had the immense privilege of being gifted a new mini-doc video by the Vatheuer Family Foundation. Videographers came in June of this year. I hope you enjoy this

very recent glimpse of life in Lusaka, Zambia for a child with intellectual disabilities and his or her family. – Holly

[Watch the video](https://player.vimeo.com/video/1001227824): <https://player.vimeo.com/video/1001227824>

Nadia Ayoub, serving in Greece

Here is an excerpt from her letter titled *Live in Unity*. The full article can be found in the Missionaries folder at the above link.

My summer schedule was lighter than it had been during the rest of the year. I thank God that I continue to visit regularly with a few Ukrainians. Every Tuesday, I meet with Linda either in my apartment or at the park to read the Bible in Russian. We finished reading the book of Ruth and Esther and then we started reading the Greek Word of Life calendar. With the help of “Google translate” we were able to improve our Greek language, increase our Bible knowledge, and enhance our faith in Christ.



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