

YOUR FPC: PHOENIXVILLE

Welcome to...

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The weekly e-newsletter from First Presbyterian Church

THIS WEEK'S PULSE

Wednesday, May 20th

7:30 p.m. All-In Zoom Social - Trivia Night!

Thursday, May 21st

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

Friday, May 22nd

No events scheduled.

Saturday, May 23rd

No events scheduled.

SUNDAY, May 24th

10:30 a.m. *WORSHIP SERVICE - Rev. Doug Hagler, preaching - [YouTube](#)

1:00 p.m. Men's Group - Zoom

7:00 p.m. Pub Theology - Zoom

Monday, May 25th

Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 26th

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

7:30 p.m. Session Meeting-Zoom

RECOGNITION AND APPRECIATION!



Congrats to our Graduates:

Abby Dzordzorme - Graduating from Pottsgrove HS (Salutatorian)-will be attending MIT University.

Catharine Arranz - Graduating from Gettysburg College; BS in Political Science/Globalization studies (double major) with a minor in German.

Sam McLaughlin - Graduating from Temple University with a BS in Music.

Kevin Roussey - Graduating from St. Joseph's University with a BS in Family Business & Entrepreneurship/ Real Estate Finance.

Megan Roussey - Graduating from St. Joseph's University with a BS in Accounting.

Celia Wittrock - Graduating from Baldwin Wallace University with a Masters Degree in Speech Pathology.



THANK YOU to our Sunday

School Teachers: Pam Bodam, Sue Casey, George Cockerill, Kristin Craven, Karen Drummond, Rob Drummond, Pam Hagler, Pastor Doug Hagler, Gail Landazuri, Cara Lewis, Jeff McLaughlin, Jeanie Osterhoudt, Mona Sabia, Gail Schnaedter, Becky Sinapius, Barb White, and Lynne Williams



THANK YOU to our Nursery

Volunteers and Staff: Jewell Baker, Pam Bodam, Sue Casey, George Cockerill, Nancy Cockerill, Janet Ferguson, Pam Hagler, Sandy Heidel, Ellie Josel, Barbie Kepler, Jill Kleppinger, Cara Lewis, Jeanie Osterhoudt, Chris Roussey, Mona Sabia, Gail Schnaedter, Becky Sinapius, Barb White, Lynne Williams, Jane Shier (staff), and Amy Osterhoudt (staff)

FEATURED EVENT



All Church Trivia Night

Needed: Paper and pencil to record your answers. The categories are: Around Town, Music, Quotes, Potpourri, and Bible. The use of electronic devices and Bibles are off limits! Zoom in and play with us tonight, May 20th, at 7:30 PM.

Meeting Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89220443285?pwd=WkY2N25aWnNod0o5SW1sWXVCUzhvZz09>

THIS SUNDAY



COFFEE HOUR: The FlipGrid coffee hour continues on the FPC FlipGrid board -

<https://flipgrid.com/fpcpcoffeehour>. Record videos of yourself, your family, your surroundings, etc. and then post it to the board so everyone can see them. Visit FlipGrid before or after worship

WORSHIP: Sunday's worship service will be at 10:30 AM on [FPC's YouTube Channel](#) - "FPC Phoenixville". Afterward, the recorded version will be available for "anytime" viewing. Sunday's bulletin will be posted on the FPC website for your convenience to follow along with the worship service. - <https://fpc-phoenixville.org/publications/bulletins/>

EXTRAS: The [MEN'S GROUP](#) will Zoom at 1:00 PM, and [PUB THEOLOGY](#) will Zoom from 7:00-9:00 PM this Sunday, 5/24. Click on the meeting title for access. In addition, invites will go out via email and text message.

NOTEABLES



Dear God, **we pray for our military and their families** lifting them up with Your peace, protection, and hope. We thank them for their sacrifices to secure our liberties. Keep in your mercy those men and women who have died in the cause of freedom and bring them safely into your kingdom of justice and peace. We ask this though Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *(Adapted from Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers)*



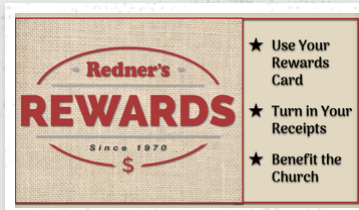
The Session and Board of Deacons have created a **COVID-19 Fund** to provide financial assistance, first to members of our congregation and then potentially to community members as well. If you would like to contribute to this fund, please send a check to the church made out to "First Presbyterian Church of Phoenixville" with "COVID-19" in the memo-line. If you are aware of anyone who might need assistance, or if you yourself might need assistance, please contact [Pastor Doug](#) or [Chuck Heidel](#), Chair of the Board of Deacons. More details can be found by [clicking here](#).



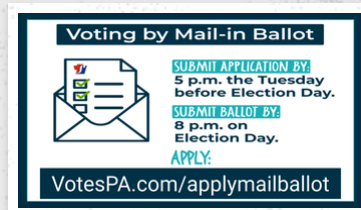
During this pandemic time, **PACS** is in need of both **food** and **monetary donations**. Non-perishable items can be dropped off directly at the PACS location at Church and Gay Streets in Phoenixville. **Checks** can be made payable to First Presbyterian Church with PACS in the memo line, then mailed to FPC at 145 Main St, Phoenixville, PA 19460. Thank you!



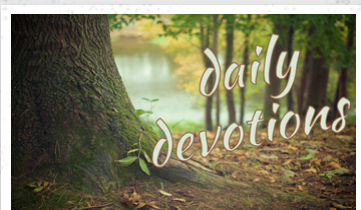
Last year a few members took turns **cutting the grass** at the church and we could use some more volunteers for this year. Two people are scheduled for each month, so you would only have to do it four times. Plus, it gets you out of the house. Please email or call the main office if you can help - secretaryfpc145@gmail.com or 610-933-8816.



Are the **Redner's receipts** that you're saving for the church piling up? Sue Shier is willing to receive your Redner's receipts at her home and turn them in to benefit the church. Remember to use your Rewards Card at check-out and then mail your receipts to: Sue Shier, 204 Mill Bridge Lane, Phoenixville, PA 19460. [Click here](#) to learn how easy it is to get a Rewards Card.



Due to COVID-19, the new date for the PA primary election is June 2, 2020. Consider the mail-in ballot rather than going to a polling place. To apply, please visit: [VotesPA.com/applymailballot](https://votespa.com/applymailballot). Applications must be received by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, May 26th. Postmarks do not count. Return applications to the Chester Co. Mail-In Ballot Office, 601 Westtown Rd, Ste 150, PO Box 2747, West Chester, PA 19380-0990. Additional county offices and more details can be found on the [application](#).



Should you find the extra need for prayer during this critical time, then here are some devotional resources suggested by our Deacons to help you make a daily spiritual connection.

- [Our Daily Bread](#)
- [In Touch Ministries](#)
- [How to Find Peace in a Pandemic](#)



Our prayer angels are ready to help and support you or loved ones during this health crisis. 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.



Church contributions are easy using any of these 3 methods -1) Your bank's "**online bill pay**" feature; 2) The **PayPal** button on the [FPC website](#); and 3) **Checks can be mailed** to First Presbyterian Church, 145 Main St, Phoenixville, PA 19460. Your continued support during this operational shutdown is GREATLY appreciated!



Prepare for Sunday's worship service by [clicking here](#) for the readings - **Acts 1:6-14** and **1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11**.



Here are the **scrip** details for **June**! Orders are due on every other Friday: **May 29, June 12 & June 26**. Please call Lynne at 610-415- 1581 (home) or 610-955-4749 (cell) to place an order. Checks are to be made payable to First Presbyterian Church DR and mailed to Lynne Williams, 14 Schofield Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460. Remember these cards make great "Thank You" gifts for front-line service workers.



The **text** distribution list continues to grow. If you are interested in receiving church notifications on your phone, please text your first and last name to **484-302-8168**.

Citizen Advocacy of Chester County

**An opportunity to
stand by, for and with
another person.**

CITIZEN ADVOCACY OF CHESTER COUNTY

Do these pandemic restrictions make you feel isolated and disconnected from society? Did you know that people with disabilities often feel isolated, segregated, and are often abused, neglected, and disadvantaged? Are you willing to restore hope, build a long-term friendship and advocate for someone with a disability? Citizen Advocacy of Chester County is a community-based, non-profit organization that recruits, matches and offers support to local citizens with disabilities by establishing advocacy relationships. Advocacy often involves building connection (sending cards, letters and packages through the mail, making phone calls to combat loneliness) and ensuring proper care (food, ethical representation in jobs, and proper care in nursing home facilities). You can be an advocate for someone with a disability even during a pandemic. Visit CitizenAdvocacy.org to learn more or contact Chris Wittrock at cwittrock22@gmail.com.

FPC PHOTOS



SUNDAY'S SERMON



Happy Birthday

Best Wishes to everyone celebrating a birthday in May!

May 1: Gene Mariani
May 2: Ben Dove, Mimi Hiestand
May 3: Sadie Josel
May 4: Judy Ball,
Michael Goodman,
Vivian Sedlacek
May 5: Kate Johnston
May 6: Dawn Buzzerd-Bader,
Anita Lopez
May 10: Karen Drummond

May 13: Kevin Roussey,
Megan Roussey
May 14: Brian Josel
May 20: Joseph Glincosky
May 22: Donna Dove
May 24: Lynne Williams
May 25: Blanche Chang
May 28: Caitlin Schierenbeck
May 29: Liz Carrabine,
Mike Naughton
May 30: Muriel Rowlands