

YOUR FPC: PHOENIXVILLE

Welcome to...

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The weekly e-newsletter from First Presbyterian Church

THIS WEEK'S PULSE

Wednesday, July 1st

7:30 p.m. [All-Church Zoom Social](#)

Dine Around Support for PJ Ryan's Pub (233 Bridge St, 610-933-5600)

Thursday, July 2nd

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

12:00 p.m. Women, Infants & Children (Fellowship Hall)

Dine Around Support for PJ Ryan's Pub (233 Bridge St, 610-933-5600)

Friday, July 3rd

Dine Around Support for PJ Ryan's Pub (233 Bridge St, 610-933-5600)

Saturday, July 4th

HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!

SUNDAY, July 5th - Communion

8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study - [Zoom](#) with Sue Casey

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

12:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee Meeting - Zoom

7:00 p.m. Pub Theology - [Zoom](#)

Monday, July 6th

7:30 p.m. Property Committee Meeting

Tuesday, July 7th

7:30 p.m. Special Session Meeting

Wednesday, July 8th

7:00 p.m. MAC Committee Meeting (Fellowship Hall & Zoom)

7:30 p.m. All-Church Zoom Social

FEATURED EVENT



From June 24th - Last Wednesday's virtual scavenger hunt provided some interesting glimpses into the lives of fellow FPCers. First up was to find an expired food item. Even though the pandemic lockdown prompted a lot of cabinet purging, expired food was still to be found. Becky thought beans and rice from 2009 was old until Karin shared 50 year old sugar cubes, and the Cockerill's showed off some 50 year old dill from a spice rack they got as a wedding gift. The oldest cooking utensil was a meat grinder, and within our group of 14 people there were 2 of them! The heirloom category was like an Antiques Road Show episode. A few items might be valuable but mostly just sentimental. There was a variety of special occasion plates including a replica of the Holy Grail from Monty Python (or is it the real thing?). Never would have guessed it, but Sue revealed she is the biggest candy hoarder. As typical the session closed with some jokes - two of which were about rabbits!

Becky, Jewell & Lynne for the Parish Life Committee

At 7:30 tonight, **July 1st**, we will enjoy an evening of **"Virtual Bingo"** led by Kristin and Frank Craven (...and maybe with a little help from Morgan!). Please email Kristin at cravenfamily18@gmail.com if you would like to participate. She will reply with the Zoom link and Bingo boards for you to print or copy before the session begins. Be sure to have something to use as markers, for example: buttons, M&Ms, pennies, raisins, Cheerios, etc.

Please join us for a time with friends...a few games of Bingo...chatting ...and laughing at the occasional joke.

THIS SUNDAY



ADULT BIBLE STUDY: All are invited to [Zoom](#) in with the adult Bible Study class for a summer series on proverbs and parables. Each lesson is self-contained so you can drop in at any time. The time is from 8:30 to 9:30 AM. Email Sue Casey at skcinpa@aol.com for the Zoom details.

WORSHIP: For a great virtual worship experience, click on in to our [YouTube Channel](#) at **10:30 AM**, or later 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/>

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Our virtual service has become kid-friendly. A special message will be delivered to the "fill-ins", the furry friends in the front pew. Watch, pray, and smile!

PUB THEOLOGY: This group meets every other Sunday to share some engaging conversations about God in today's society. Pastor Doug brings the topics and the commentary follows. All viewpoints are welcome! Zoom in from 7:00-9:00 PM this Sunday, **July 5th**. - <https://zoom.us/j/262182983>

NOTEABLES

"WE ARE" VIGILS

IN SOLIDARITY WITH BLACK LIVES MATTER

Virtually
1st Thursdays

Join us
7:00 pm
to
7:30 pm

Via ZOOM contact
DougHagler@gmail.com

In Person
3rd Thursdays

Main & Bridge Streets
Phoenixville

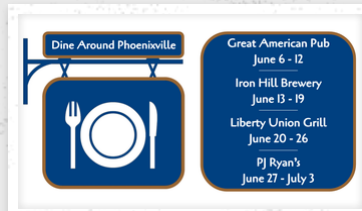
A collaborative event
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If you have any questions, or if your organization is interested in hosting one or both vigils in a month, please let me know. Rev. Doug Hagler DougHagler@gmail.com

Pastor Doug and other community leaders will be hosting vigils in support of Black Lives Matter via Zoom on the first Thursday of the month and 'live' at the corner of Main and Bridge on the third Thursday of the month, both at 7pm. If you would like to join the Zoom vigil this Thursday (July 2nd), the [link is here](#). If you would like to be there for the live vigil, we will be gathering shortly before 7pm downtown on the 16th. For more information, contact Pastor Doug.



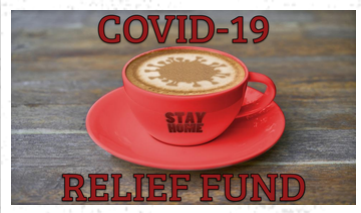
As we celebrate our nation's freedom, we honor the courageous men and women dedicated to preserving it. Red is for victory. White is for purity. Blue is for loyalty. The strength of this nation lies in the hearts of its people. God bless the USA! Have a fun and safe **4th of July** holiday!



Wrap up your week and our month of supporting the local restaurants who have supported us with our **Dine Around** events. Consider a **take out meal** from [PJ Ryan's Pub](#) (June 27-July 3).



The **Anti-Racism Book Club** Zoomed on Sunday, June 28th. Thought-provoking conversations flowed when discussing the first two chapters of *"How To Be An Anti-Racist"* by Ibram X. Kendi. Chapters 3 and 4 will be the focus of the next meeting on Sunday, **July 12th**, from **7:00-8:30 PM**. Book or no book, all are welcome to chat, listen, and learn!



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](#).

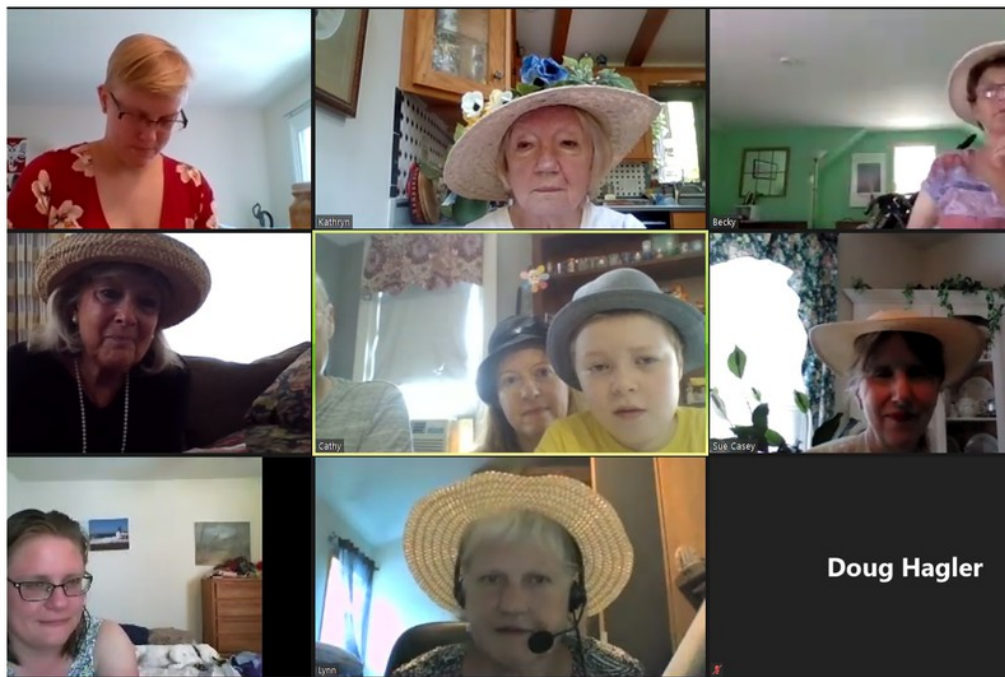


Prepare for Sunday's worship service by [clicking here](#) for the readings - **Romans 7:15-25a** and **Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30**.



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!

FPC PHOTOS



SUNDAY'S SERMON



Happy Birthday

Best Wishes to everyone celebrating a birthday in July!

July 1: Colleen Bayus
July 5: Nikki Drummond
July 6: Jack Grocki,
Gail Schnaedter
July 7: Betty Casey
July 8: Ruth Ann Dabback
July 9: Louise Hughes,
Becky Sinapius
July 11: Kristin Craven

July 12: Kate Cabrera;
Andrew Skutch
July 16: Olivia Palko
July 17: Elianne Josel
July 21: Bob Russell
July 23: Louise Ewing
July 27: Amber Majcher
July 28: Gail Landazuri
July 31: Fred Guthan