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Welcome to...

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The weekly e-newsletter from First Presbyterian Church

THIS WEEK'S PULSE

Wednesday, February 17th
7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday service - FPC YouTube Channel

Thursday, February 18th
10:00 a.m. Food Ministry (Kitchen)
1:00 p.m. Women, Infants & Children (Fellowship Hall & Back Lot)
7:00 p.m. "We Are" Vigil (Main & Bridge Streets, Phoenixville)

Friday, February 19th
1:00 p.m. Women, Infants & Children (Fellowship Hall & Back Lot)

Saturday, February 20th
No events scheduled.

SUNDAY, February 21st
8:30 a.m. Bible Study - Zoom
10:30 a.m. FPC WORSHIP SERVICE - FPC YouTube Channel
11:45 p.m. Joys and Concerns - Zoom

Monday, February 22nd
No events scheduled.

Tuesday, February 23rd

7:30 p.m. Session Meeting - Zoom

Wednesday, February 24th
7:30 p.m. All-Church Zoom Social
Click on the link or call: 1-929-205-6099, Meeting ID: 828 8553 1183, Password: 090870

FEATURED EVENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY

For tonight, February 17 - Join us on YouTube at 7:00 PM for our Ash Wednesday worship service. Communion will be included, and you will be invited to mark yourself on the forehead with the sign of the cross using oil *(any household oil will do - olive oil if you want to be more historically accurate)*. Let us share the beginning of Lent together.

"WE ARE" VIGIL - THURSDAY

For Thursday, February 18 - The next "We Are" prayer service and reflection will be held live in downtown Phoenixville at the corner of Bridge and Main Streets. Battery operated candles will be provided. Masks are required. Vigils are themed in support of Black Lives Matter and run on the 1st (via Zoom) and 3rd (in-person) Thursdays of every month. The start time is 7:00 PM. Questions? Please contact Pastor Doug for more information.

THIS SUNDAY

BIBLE STUDY: Zooming this Sunday at 8:30 AM, the Bible Study class continues with discussion of the Book of Acts. Sessions run about an hour. Anyone is welcome to join at any time. Questions? Contact Sue Casey for more information.

WORSHIP: Our 10:30 AM service will be live-streamed on our YouTube Channel. You can follow along with the bulletin by visiting - https://fpc-phoenixville.org/publications/bulletins/

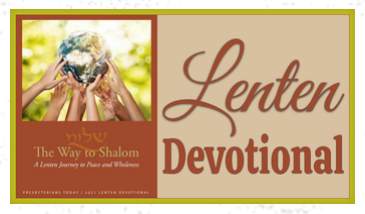
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Pastor Doug is happy to present the Children's Message to the furry "fill-ins" in the front pew. It's perfect for all ages!

JOYS and CONCERNS: Join Pastor Doug virtually on Sunday at **11:45 AM** for Joys and Concerns. Share some happiness, heartache, or anything in between and lift up each other in spirit. Here are the Zoom details-

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87345268002

Click on the link or call: 1-929-205-6099 Meeting ID: 873 4526 8002

NOTEABLES



This year's suggested Lenten Devotional is ***"The Way to Shalom"*** from Presbyterians Today. Engage in this journey to peace and wholeness. Each week will have a new theme covering one of the many definitions of shalom. Discover how to receive this gift and to give it back to the world. Click here to view, download, or print a copy.

If anyone is interested in **volunteering** with **Good Works**, please contact Chris Wittrock to learn about the program and ways you can make a difference in Phoenixville and the surrounding areas. This non-profit Christian organization transforms lives by repairing homes for low-income families. More information can be found by visiting GoodWorksInc.org.

The **2020 Annual Report** is available online. Click here for to view or download a copy.

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Please remember our hashtag, **#lovingFPC**, when posting about this great church!

FPC's **text messaging** service is a great way to get notifications and links for church events sent right to your smart phone. If interested, please text your first and last name to **484-302-8168**.

Prepare for this Sunday's worship service by clicking here for the readings - **Ezekiel 16:48-50** and **James 1:19-27.**

ALL CHURCH ZOOM SOCIAL

ALL-CHURCH ZOOM SOCIAL NEWS

From February 10 - Love was in the air and Origami was the challenge. During the All Church Zoom Social 12 brave souls (with a few others lurking in the background) attempted to fold paper into hearts with Maggie's patient instruction. Some picked it up quickly, others were more challenged. Some people had problems with the first step of making a square from a rectangular piece of paper; some had problems with flaps, and others with the size of their paper. There may have been some colorful language but like in Vegas, what happens on Wednesday Zooms, stays on Wednesday Zooms. In the end we all managed to create some version of a heart, as in real life all hearts are slightly different (or is that snowflakes?). The paper folding continued and we tried to go back to our Elementary and Middle School years and make Fortune Tellers/Cootie Catchers. The school teachers helped with this craft. There was an abundance of jokes referencing Valentines' Day, involving hogs and skunks, pastry chefs and love.

For February 17 - It's Ash Wednesday. In lieu of the Zoom Social there will be an online service at 7:00 PM on YouTube. View, pray, and check in with us then.

For February 24 - Our All Church Zoom Social resumes with Trivia Night hosted by Hermann and Judy Ball.

ZOOM:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82885531183?pwd=aThZTEQ0ak05V1FQdnYrTWFwMFlSdz09

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From Ann, Becky, & Lynne for the Parish Life Committee

FPC PHOTOS

Some Sweet Valentines!

BE MY
Love
You
VALENTINE
Love
never fails
1 Corinthians 13:8
Click here
for the
YouTube
tutorial
Paper-Folded Hearts

Happy Birthday

Best Wishes to everyone celebrating a birthday in February!

February 1: Joan Hicks
February 2: Ellen Carlino
February 3: Barbie Kepler, Marilynn Morabito
February 8: Barb Small
February 9: Rich Barkley, Alex Drummond
February 14: Rebecca Barkley, Jessica Murphy
February 18: Cara Lewis
February 20: Lucinda Parrish
February 22: Sue Carbutt, Cheryl Messere
February 24: Mona Sabia
February 25: Hermann Ball
February 27: Rob Drummond, Janet Ferguson