

This Sunday's worship service will be streamed live over the internet at 10:30 a.m. and will be available to the public. It will be broadcast on FPC's YouTube Channel - "FPC Phoenixville".

The recorded version will be available for "anytime" viewing.
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrmNs7JdvZNIpsNjs0Ds8vg>.



Morning Worship
August 15, 2021 ☩ ☩ ☩ **10:30 a.m.**

Prelude

Praise Team

Our worship service will be lead by Karin Goodman and Chris Wittrock.

Welcome

Sharing the Peace

Announcements

Sarah Shulman

Minute for Mission

Jeff McLaughlin

* Call to Worship *Psalm 100*

Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness.

Come into God's presence with singing!

People: For the Lord is a gracious God,

whose mercy is everlasting;

and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

* Hymn # 65

“Guide Me, O Though Great Jehovah”

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me

with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es

feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory. You came to love and save the world, but we condemn others in your name. You send us out to tell the good news, but we hide from our calling in fear. Forgive us, God of grace.

Give us new life in your Spirit so that we may serve you faithfully and live as your beloved children.

(Silent prayer and reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate;
light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death;
victory is ours through him who loves us.

-Bishop Desmond Tutu

Leader: Now stand firm in your trust, covered by the saving grace of God and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*** Gloria Patri - Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

Prayer for Illumination

Leader: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Reading: 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

¹⁰Then David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David.

¹¹The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. ¹²So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

3. *continued...*

3:3 Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places.

⁴The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. ⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you."

⁶And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today.

⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted.

⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

¹⁰ It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹ God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹² I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you.

¹³ I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. ¹⁴ If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

Reading: Psalm 111:1-10

¹ Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

² Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.

³ Full of honor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴ He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

⁵ He provides food for those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

⁶ He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the heritage of the nations.

⁷ The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy.

⁸ They are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

⁹ He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.

Holy and awesome is his name.

¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever.

* Hymn # 450 "Be Thou My Vision"

Capo 1: (D) (G) (D/F#) (A7) (D)
 Eb Ab Eb/G Bb7 Eb

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) (D) (G) (A)
 Bb Eb Ab Bb

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) (D) (F#m7) (G) (A)
 Ab Eb Gm7 Ab Bb

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) (D/F#) (G) (D)
 Cm Eb/G Ab Eb

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

TEXT: Irish poem; trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905; vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912, alt.
 MUSIC: Irish ballad; harm. David Evans, 1927
 Music Harm. © 1927 Oxford University Press

Reading: Ephesians 5:15-20

¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reading: John 6:51-58

⁵¹"I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you.

⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink.

⁵⁶Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them.

⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me.

⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Anthem

Praise Team

Affirmation of Faith - The Nicene Creed

People: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

Leader: We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

**People: For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**Leader: On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the
Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**People: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Tithes and Offerings

* Doxology (Hymn #606)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures
here below, Praise God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son
and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

* Prayer of Dedication

Elder: Becky Sinapius

(Please be seated.)

Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom
come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day
our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine
is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

* Hymn # 643 "Now Thank We All Our God"

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
 2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,

who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices;
 with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
 to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:

who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed,
 the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours to-day.
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 the God who was, and is, and shall be ever more.

TEXT: Martin Rinkart, c. 1636; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1858, alt.
 MUSIC: Johann Crüger, 1647; harm. Felix Mendelssohn, 1840

* Benediction

Postlude

“Now Thank We All Our God”

arr. E. P. Biggs

Virtual Journeys to Guatemala

In today’s Minute for Mission, you will hear about opportunities to learn about Guatemala by taking a “Virtual Journey” (on Zoom) with the folks from CEDEPCA, the organization with whom we have worked during our visits to Guatemala. Here are the web and e-mail addresses to which I will be referring:

Reverend Betsey Moe (facilitator of Virtual Journeys):

betsey@cedepca.org

To register for August 25: <https://tinyurl.com/yg2md3ll>

CEDEPCA website: : <https://cedepca.org/en/cedepca-usa/>

Questions for Jeff: jeffmcl@icloud.com

Staff Vacations

Rev. Hagler will return to work on Monday, August 16th.

Diane Legnini will be on vacation from Aug. 22nd thru Sept. 4th.

Parking Lot Closed

The church parking lot will be closed on Wednesday, Aug. 18th and Thursday, Aug. 19th for repaving work.

Devon Brass Playing

On Friday, August 20 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., The Devon Brass will be playing in front of the church to add some fun to Phoenixville’s Friday night festivities. Come park in our lot (\$5 parking donation), and enjoy some great brass music on your way to Bridge St., or just stay and enjoy the music.

The Devon Brass is a 7-member ensemble including Diane, Sarah, and Frank, along with 4 other players. We’re getting our music ready for the Devon Horse Show in September and would love to give you a preview. We will be playing all the fun music you can’t play in church, including marches, Dixieland, pop standards and some tunes for the kids.

Come on out and support the parking lot fundraiser and hear some great music. Feel free to bring your lawn chair to sit and enjoy the concert.

A Family In Need

Bridge of Hope has a local family with children in the PXV school district who need a sponsor church to help them overcome some hurdles. You will recall the words of Rev. Scott Dorsey who visited us to discuss the concept of neighboring, sharing resources and helping a family in need. We have four people and could use four more. Please discern (quickly) if this could be you and contact Chris Wittrock 610-662-1412 so we can get on the August training schedule with Rachel Steadman and Rev. Dorsey. Please pray for us who have volunteered and for this family.

Prayer Requests

Joys:

Concerns: Sylvia Ferguson; Turrey & Barbie Kepler

Prayer Chain & Prayer Requests

To request prayers, you can fill out a card in the worship service, drop a note off in the church office or email Amy at fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com and members will be lifting you up in prayer. You may also call Sue Smith at [\(610\) 933-8816](tel:(610)933-8816) and she will forward your requests on to Amy. Anyone interested in being a Prayer Warrior should email Amy.

Women's Circle

Ladies of our church,

Chris Wittrock and I spent the weekend of July 9-11th attending the Bible Study Workshop at Stony Point Retreat Center led by Rev. Jane DeFord. We met with other Circle leaders, mostly from New York and New Jersey, to review the Horizon Study for this year "What My Grandmothers Taught Me". We think this will be a great study with so much to learn from the women in Jesus' family tree and at the same time share what we've learned from our grandmothers.

Please join us on August 15th as we kick off 2021-2022 Circle year with a LADIES TEA. We will gather in the parlor following worship to share memories of our grandmothers as we enjoy some of the goodies she may have made.

Jewell Baker, for Presbyterian Women

Church Nursery

After the children's sermon boys and girls will be excused, accompanied by their parents, to the nursery. There will be staff to care for those in the nursery and a second room to accommodate older children. (Up to and entering 3rd grade). All staff members have been vaccinated and will be wearing masks. We are looking forward to seeing you soon.

Parking Lot Attendants Needed

We continue to need volunteers to collect parking donations on **Friday and Saturday evenings from 5:00pm – 8:00pm**. It is a great opportunity to spend some quality time with a fellow church member, as well as a chance to interact with folks in our community. Not only does this benefit our church, but it also makes it convenient for those who park in our lot.

If you would like to help, you may sign up on the Sign-Up Genius that Sue Smith emails each Monday. If you have questions, please contact Pam Bodam at 610-496-1933. The Stewardship Committee appreciates your help.

Scrip Gift Card Orders

The Scrip program continues...even throughout the summer!

We will be placing orders for gift cards every other **Wednesday (Aug. 4 & Aug. 25)**. *Note the date changed from the 18th to the 25th.

If you would like to place an order, please call Lynne Williams at 610-415-1581 (home) or 610-955-4749 (cell).

You may mail your check to Lynne or drop it off at her home, (14 Schofield Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460).

We will complete the order forms for you.

Orders and checks must be received by the day before the orders are placed (**Aug. 3 & Aug. 17**). Please make checks payable to "First Presbyterian Church DR". **Thank you...Thank you** for continuing to support this program! The Stewardship Committee

Household Care Packages

As you know, MAC and FPC Families have been working with Nina Guzman at Alianzas de Phoenixville to identify ways FPC can help families prepare for the upcoming school season. We began our project thinking “backpacks” but that need has already been met by others in the community. Nina helped us identify a new project that is simple, and will help single-parent families with urgent household needs.

Our new project is to coordinate **household care packages**, containing the following Dollar Store items: Laundry Detergent, Dish Liquid, Shampoo and Conditioner, Bath Soap, Toilet Paper and Toothpaste. The cost of each package will be around \$10/family. We are discussing the logistics at our next Christian Education/Christian Growth Meeting and will share with the congregation via the bulletin. Feel free to stock up on these general items if you know you want to participate. Thanks in advance for your support.

Pub Theology

Pub Theology will return on Sunday, September 12th at 7:00 PM at The Foodery, (325 Bridge St, Phoenixville). Join Pastor Doug in a discussion of theological topics and current events over food and drinks. Listen, chat, and hash things out...it's fun and thought-provoking!

Book Club

The **Antiracism Book Club**'s next meeting will be on Sunday, Aug. 22nd at 7:00 PM. The group will discuss the book entitled “Black Radical: The Life and Times of William Monroe Trotter”. All are welcome to [Zoom](#) in to learn, listen, and chat.

On-Line Giving

There is a new feature on the FPC website! Check out the **DONATE** button on the [home page](#). On-line giving is really convenient now. Simply click the button, enter an amount on the Faithlife page, and then click the Next button to finish the process. Thanks for your support!

This Week in the Life of the Church

Sunday, August 15th

11:30 a.m. Lemonade in the Shade (front sidewalk)

Monday, August 16th

6:30 p.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)

Tuesday, August 17th

6:30 p.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)

6:30 p.m. Staff meeting via Zoom

7:15 p.m. Christian Education Committee meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, August 18th Church parking lot is closed.

Thursday, August 19th Church parking lot is closed.

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (fellowship hall)

10:00 a.m. Food ministry (kitchen)

7:00 p.m. “We Are” Live vigil (Main & Bridge streets)

Friday, August 20th

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (fellowship hall)

Saturday, August 21st No events scheduled.

Sunday, August 22nd

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE – In person and via Youtube channel

11:30 a.m. Lemonade in the Shade (front sidewalk)

7:00 p.m. Antiracism Book Club via Zoom

Rev. Douglas Hagler, Pastor145@comcast.net; 415-300-7912 (cell)
Diane Legnini, Director of Music; Sarah Shulman, Praise Team Leader

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Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00am – 4:00pm

Friday: 9:00am – 1:00pm

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