

# YOUR FPC: PHOENIXVILLE

Welcome to...

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The weekly e-newsletter from First Presbyterian Church

## THIS WEEK'S PULSE

### Wednesday, September 15th

No events scheduled.

### Thursday, September 16th

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (Fellowship Hall)

9:00 a.m. People to People Clothing Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

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

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7:00 p.m. "We Are" Vigil (Main & Bridge Streets, Phoenixville)

### Friday, September 17th

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (Fellowship Hall)

### Saturday, September 18th

No events scheduled.

### Sunday, September 19th

8:30 a.m. Bible Study with Sue Casey - Zoom

9:15 a.m. Sunday School (Church Lawn)

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE with Rev. Doug Hagler

- Onsite with childcare and online - [FPC YouTube Channel](#)

11:30 a.m. Lemonade in the Shade (Front Sidewalk)

12:00 p.m. Women's Circle (Parlor)

### Monday, September 20th

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class (Fellowship Hall)

7:30 p.m. Finance & Stewardship Committee Meeting

### Tuesday, September 21st

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class (Fellowship Hall)

7:15 p.m. Church Growth & Christian Ed Committee Meeting - [Zoom](#)


*Click on the link or call 929-205-6099, meeting ID: 848 8113 3588*

### Wednesday, September 22nd

No events scheduled.

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## FEATURED EVENT



**A rotation of local organizations host “We Are” Vigils in-person on the third Thursday of every month. These 30-minute reflective and prayerful sessions are in support of Black Lives Matter. At 7:00 PM this Thursday, join with other community members on the corner of Main & Bridge Streets in Phoenixville to engage in this special experience.**

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## THIS SUNDAY



**BIBLE STUDY:** Zoom with Sue Casey at 8:30 this Sunday to broaden your Bible knowledge and expand your Christian faith. The book, *Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful Disciple*, by Adam Hamilton will be studied. Interested? Contact Sue Casey at [skcinpa@aol.com](mailto:skcinpa@aol.com) for the Zoom link and the book. Come learn about Peter, his courage, determination, and commitment, but also his fear, doubt, and denial - a flawed follower of Jesus, like us.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** This Sunday will be our first Sunday School get-together in over a year and a half. Join us at 9:15 AM for "Sunday School On The Lawn". If the weather doesn't cooperate we will meet safely in Fellowship Hall. All children ages 3 and above are welcome to join us. There will be nursery care provided during Sunday School for the younger children. All teachers and helpers are vaccinated, and we ask that everyone wear a mask. We are so excited to be together again. See you Sunday morning!

**ONSITE with Childcare & LIVE-STREAM WORSHIP:** Join fellow congregants in-person or online this Sunday for the 10:30 AM service with Rev. Doug Hagler. If worshipping onsite, please be masked and distanced. If watching from home, visit our [YouTube Channel](https://fpc-phoenixville.org/publications/bulletins/) for the live-stream video and follow along with the bulletin found here - <https://fpc-phoenixville.org/publications/bulletins/>

**CHURCH NURSERY:** Children are welcome back to the nursery! After the children's sermon boys and girls (up to and entering 3rd grade) 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. All staff members have been vaccinated and will be wearing masks.

**LEMONADE in the SHADE:** Thanks to the Parish Life Committee for the return of Lemonade in the Shade...onsite and in-person! Join us on the front sidewalk for light refreshments immediately following the service on Sunday. Safely mingle outside with plenty of room to socially distance while enjoying some fellowship.



**WOMEN'S CIRCLE:** What can Grandmothers-of-the-Faith teach us? Learn from the women in Matthew's genealogy of Jesus. This Women's Circle Bible Study of *"What My Grandmothers Taught Me"* will start this Sunday, September 19th. Please pack your lunch and join us after worship in parlor. The windows will be open and a fan on. Because many of us have small children in our lives we are asking that all participants be vaccinated for COVID. Thank you!

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## NOTEABLES



One more date remains for September's **scrip orders**. Checks and orders are due on Tuesday, the **21st**. 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. Thank you for continuing to support this program!



Thank you to all the volunteers that worked the **parking lot** this summer! Donations will continue to be collected on **Friday and Saturday** evenings from **5:00-8:00** during **September** with the possibility of a daytime event on the 25th. 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. If you would like to help, please call the main office at 610-933-8816 or click here to [sign-up](#). Gloves and masks will be provided.



**People to People** have been blessed with people wanting to make **clothing donations** to help our outreach to the community ministry. We are asking people to contact Sandy Heidel to arrange a drop off time so we can provide space to store the donations and the crew of sorters won't get overwhelmed. We do appreciate receiving your clean usable items, your understanding, and would welcome your help, too. 610-948-6319.



There is a **new church treasurer email address**. It is [fpctreasurer145@gmail.com](mailto:fpctreasurer145@gmail.com). Please use this address if you have questions about donations or would like to contact the church treasurer.



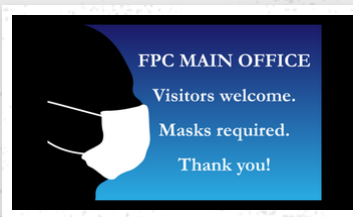
The [Bridge of Hope](#) update - We are grateful for our volunteers and happy to report we have been paired with a family. Stay tuned for more details and pray for the success of this connection.



The **Antiracism Book Club's** next meeting will be on Sunday, **September 26th, at 7:00 PM**. The new book the group has selected is ***Love Your Enemies*** by Arthur C Brooks. This is a great time to join the group as we start on this new selection. All are welcome to Zoom in to learn, listen, and chat.




Prepare for this Sunday's worship service by clicking here for the readings - **Psalms 1 and James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a**.



Due to the rise in the COVID infection rate, we are asking everyone to **wear a mask** when you are in the church office. Even if you have been vaccinated, please wear a mask. Thank you.



FPC continues to collect **used ink cartridges for recycling** at Staples. The church receives a \$2 credit for each cartridge. You may drop off your cartridges in the church office or through the mail slot on the office door. Spare the trash, save the environment, and help the church!

<b>GIVE</b> SHARE YOUR FINANCIAL BLESSINGS TO HELP DISASTER SURVIVORS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.	 <b>PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE</b>
<b>ACT</b> GET INVOLVED WITH DISASTER RECOVERY MINISTRY.		
<b>PRAY</b> OUR BEST RESPONSE IS PRAYER. SEEK GOD'S PRESENCE ON BEHALF OF DISASTER SURVIVORS.		

[Presbyterian Disaster Assistance \(PDA\)](#) is working to aid those who have suffered losses as a result of the earthquake in Haiti, the wildfires in California, and Hurricane Ida in the eastern United States. Please pray for the victims of these natural disasters. Monetary donations are also welcomed by making a check payable to First Presbyterian Church of Phoenixville and indicating "Presbyterian Disaster Assistance" on the memo line (this is important!). You may also specify whether you would like your donation to go toward Haiti, California, or Hurricane Ida. If no preference is indicated, your contribution will be equally divided among the three areas. Checks can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church, or dropped off at the church office. Thanks!

## HELPING LOCAL RESIDENTS

Chester County Officials announce donation opportunities that will meet the most urgent initial, and longer-term needs of the families displaced by Hurricane Ida.

For the **Phoenixville** and surrounding community, go to [inthistogetherpxv.com](http://inthistogetherpxv.com) to make a donation, and note that it is for Hurricane Ida relief.

For the City of **Coatesville**, go to the **Brandywine Health Foundation's** website, [brandywinefoundation.org/donate](http://brandywinefoundation.org/donate) , to donate to the Coatesville Red Umbrella Response Fund. This fund is a collaborative effort of the City of Coatesville, Brandywine Valley Active Aging, the Brandywine Health Foundation and a host of non-profit partners to help the hardest hit areas of the city.

For the **Downingtown** and surrounding area, the **Lord's Pantry** is coordinating financial donations. Go to [lordspantryofdowningtown.org](http://lordspantryofdowningtown.org), and note that it is for flood victim relief. For the Avondale and Southern Chester County area, Kennett Area Community Service is coordinating the monetary donation collection. To make a donation go to [kacsonline.net](http://kacsonline.net).

Furniture donations are also needed and should go to the **Community Warehouse Project** of Chester County. Details of how to make donations can be found at [communitywarehouseproject.com/donate](http://communitywarehouseproject.com/donate) or by calling 484-473-4360.

Landlords with properties to rent in the areas hardest hit by Hurricane Ida are asked to contact the **Housing Authority of Chester County** via a special email – [haccidahelp@hacc.net](mailto:haccidahelp@hacc.net), or via phone at 610-235-4484.

Details of all of these donation opportunities, as well as ongoing resources and information to support residents affected by Hurricane Ida, can be found at [chesco.org/ida](http://chesco.org/ida).

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**FPC PHOTOS**





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## SUNDAY'S SERMON



## Happy Birthday

**Best Wishes to everyone celebrating a birthday in September!**

**Sept. 1st:** Cora Carlino  
**Sept. 2nd:** Bob Wittrock  
**Sept. 4th:** Eileen Naughton  
**Sept. 6th:** Celia Breden,  
Pat Guthan, Ann Miller,  
Mary Tyson  
**Sept. 10th:** Kevin Carrabine,  
Ridge Palko  
**Sept. 11th:** Adam Kleppinger

**Sept. 13th:** Judy Tonkin  
**Sept. 15th:** Jack Skutch  
**Sept. 16th:** Sandy Rittenbaugh  
**Sept. 18th:** Sue Shier  
**Sept. 24th:** Connie Wilson  
**Sept. 25th:** Martha Mandrusiak  
**Sept. 27th:** Karin Goodman,  
Ann Moskowitz