

YOUR FPC: PHOENIXVILLE

Welcome to...

The BEAT

The weekly e-newsletter from First Presbyterian Church

THIS WEEK'S PULSE

Wednesday, September 22nd

No events scheduled.

Thursday, September 23rd

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)

Friday, September 24th

11:00 a.m. Memorial Service for Gene Mariani

Saturday, September 25th

No events scheduled.

Sunday, September 26th

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](#)

- *Appalachia Service Project Highlights*

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

7:00 p.m. Antiracism Book Club - [Zoom](#)

Click on the link or call 1-929-205-6099; Meeting ID: 829 6538 9092

Monday, September 27th

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

Tuesday, September 28th

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

7:30 p.m. Session Meeting - [Zoom](#)

Wednesday, September 29th

No events scheduled.

THIS SUNDAY



BIBLE STUDY
Read Scriptures. Discover Truth.

Presbyterian Church (USA)
YouTube

Reopening our Church Nursery
Welcoming all children up to and entering 3rd grade

Sunday, September 26th

ASP Appalachia

Join us for Lemonade in the Shade!

Read Discuss Share Listen Act

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 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.

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 worshiping onsite, please be masked and distanced. If watching from home, visit our [YouTube Channel](#) 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.

APPALACHIA SERVICE PROJECT (ASP) HIGHLIGHTS: During Sunday's worship service, FPC's ASP team will share highlights of their work efforts in West Virginia this summer. Come and hear of their adventures - the high points, low points, and things in-between that have them wanting to serve again in this mission.

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. It will be the last outdoor gathering of the season - be there!

ANTIRACISM BOOK CLUB: Zoom with the **Antiracism Book Club** this 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 learn, listen, and chat.

NOTEABLES



People to People is having an **online auction** to sell some of our top-notch items that have been donated. The auction runs for one week starting **Sept. 22 at 5 pm until Sept. 29 at 8 pm**. The auction website link will be emailed to the congregation today, Sept. 22, around 3:30 pm. Please participate and share the link with family and friends. The variety of inventory includes - football related items, pots & pans, pictures, handbags, children's things, etc. Point, click, bid! Thanks!



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. Please use this address if you have questions about donations or would like to contact the church treasurer.



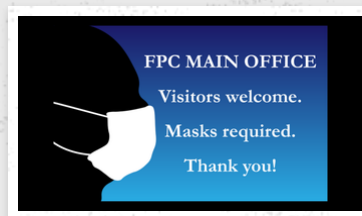
On Saturday, **October 3rd**, from **10:30 AM to 1:30 PM**, volunteers are needed to help with **lunch preparation** and/or to deliver lunches to the **Good Works** site. Contact Bob Russell for details at Bob@rtact.com.



World Communion Sunday is **October 9th**. Prepare to celebrate our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world. Join us for this once-a-year special recognition of unity. Worship begins at **10:30 AM**, onsite or [online](#). Let us pray - *We will become bread for a hungry world. And we will become drink for those who thirst. And the blessed will become the blessing. And everywhere will be the feast. Amen.* (Source: Jan Richardson, Painted Prayerbook)



Prepare for this Sunday's worship service by clicking here for the readings - **Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22** and **Mark 9:38-50**.



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!

GIVE
SHARE YOUR FINANCIAL
BLESSINGS TO HELP DISASTER
SURVIVORS THROUGHOUT THE
WORLD.

ACT
GET INVOLVED WITH DISASTER
RECOVERY MINISTRY.

PRAY
OUR BEST RESPONSE IS PRAYER.
SEEK GOD'S PRESENCE ON
BEHALF OF DISASTER
SURVIVORS.



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

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 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, 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, 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.

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 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, or via phone at 610-235-4484.

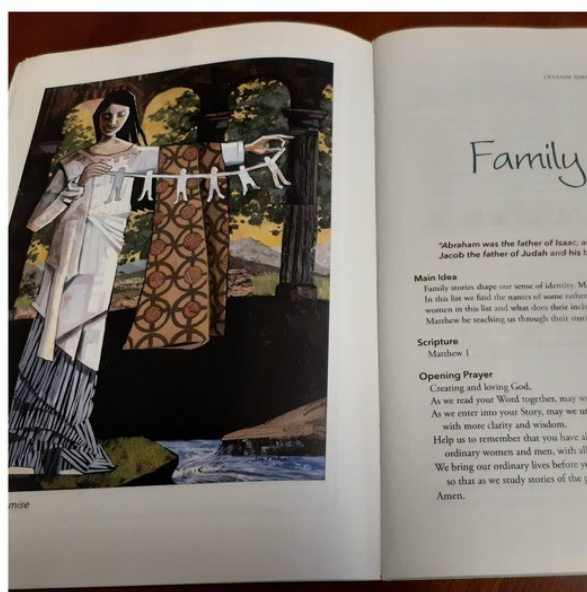
Details of all of these donation opportunities, as well as ongoing resources and information to support residents affected by Hurricane Ida, can be found at chesco.org/ida.

FPC PHOTOS









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