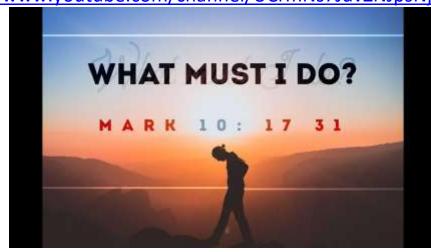
This Sunday's worship service will be streamed live over the internet at 10:30 a.m. and will be available to the public. It will be broadcast on FPC's YouTube Channel - "FPC Phoenixville".

The recorded version will be available for "anytime" viewing. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrmNs7JdvZNJpsNjs0Ds8vg.



Morning Worship October 10, 2021 ### 10:30 a.m.

Prelude "Day By Day" Rachel Porter

Welcome Rev. Doug Hagler

Sharing the Peace

Announcements Sarah Shulman

* Call to Worship (unison) Psalm 22

Cathy Walker

"Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver—
let him rescue the one in whom he delights!"
Yet it was you who took me from the womb;
you kept me safe on my mother's breast.
On you I was cast from my birth,
and since my mother bore me you have been my God.
Do not be far from me, for trouble is near and there is no one to help.
I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint;
my heart is like wax; it is melted within my breast;
my mouth is dried up like a potsherd,
and my tongue sticks to my jaws; you lay me in the dust of death.

* Hymn # 12 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"



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: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

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.

Children's Message

Call to the Word

"Listen, God is Calling"

Prayer for Illumination

Cathy Walker

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: Hebrews 4:12-16

Cathy Walker

¹²Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

¹⁴Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Reading: Mark 10:17-31

Leader: This is the word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Anthem Sermon

Praise Team Rev. Doug Hagler

¹⁷As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, "Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

¹⁸Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone.

¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.'"

²⁰He said to him, "Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth."

²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, "You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me."

²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!"

²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words.

But Jesus said to them again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!

²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

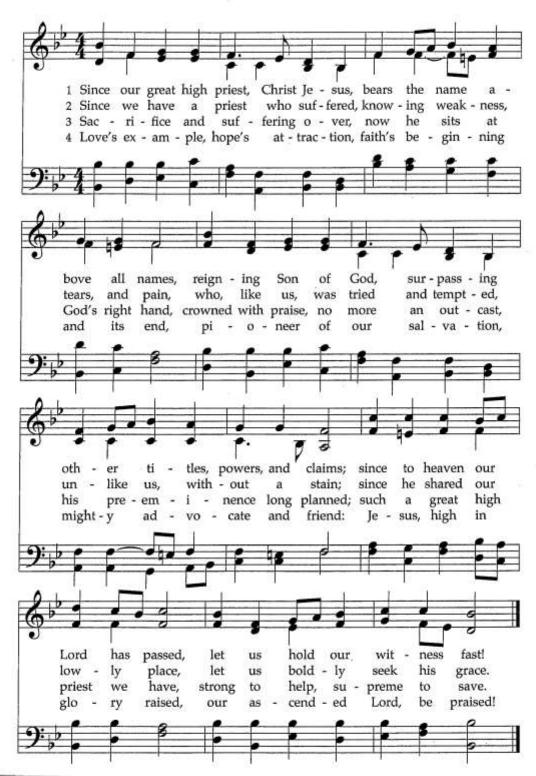
²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another,

"Then who can be saved?"

²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

²⁸Peter began to say to him, "Look, we have left everything and followed you." ²⁹Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age — houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions — and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

* Hymn # 262 "Since Our Great High Priest, Christ Jesus"



Offering Prayer

Leader: The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it,

People: the world, and those who live in it.

Leader: Freely you have received, freely give. Let us return to God the

offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth.

* 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

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 # 749 "Come! Live in the Light!" (Page 7 of the bulletin)

* Benediction Postlude

Rev. Doug Hagler Praise Team

Elder: Kevin Carrabine

Church Staff Vacations

Sue Smith, office manager, will be on vacation from Friday, Oct. 15th thru Wednesday, Oct. 20th.

New Treasurer

Join us in thanking Chuck Heidel for stepping into the position of church Treasurer! Session approved Chuck's position as the treasurer from August 1st thru the end of this year. He will be handling some of the previous Treasurer responsibilities, with the support of the Finance Committee, and the church has also hired an accountant who meets with Chuck each Thursday to keep our finances in order. Thanks Chuck!

Come! Live in the Light!



Upcoming Scripture Readings

Oct. 17th: Isaiah 53:4-12; Hebrews 5:1-10 Oct. 24th: Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

Prayer Requests

Joys:

Concerns: Bob & Chris Wittrock

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 fo10) 933-8816 and she will forward your requests on to Amy. Anyone interested in being a Prayer Warrior should email Amy.

Jewelry & Purse Sale

People to People has been blessed with donations of jewelry - name make and several with price tags still attached. We have also received several name make purses. We would like to offer these for the congregation to purchase first. There are necklaces, earrings, pins, bracelets, and purses. Please come and see if there is something you would like or would like to give as a gift.

The jewelry will be displayed in the yellow door room (opposite end of the hall from the office) on Sunday, October 10^{th} after the church service and on Monday, October 11^{th} from 6-8 pm.

Trivia Night is back! All Church ZOOM Meetings

We're very happy to announce the return of an honored tradition, Wednesday night all church Zoom Trivia Night. Judy and Hermann Ball have graciously agreed to host our first event on Wednesday, October 13 at 7:30 p.m. Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81168904115

Blessing of the Animals, October 24th

On October 24th we will once again gather outdoors for a Blessing of the Animals service. You are welcome to bring your animals, photos of your animals, stuffed animals, etc to the service. Our back-up weather date for the service will be October 31st.

People to People Flea Market

The next flea market will be held on Saturday, October 30th from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. All proceeds go toward feeding the homeless. We need your help with the flea market.

Even if you can only give one hour of your time...we'll take it!

The days we need the most help are on Thursday, Oct. 28th with setting out all of the sale items, (9am-3pm) and on the day of the sale, Saturday, Oct. 30th. (9am-1pm) Contact Bob Russell at 610-405-1362 if you can help.

Wanted: Social Media Geeks

Are you a lover and frequent user of social media (except, of course, when it all crashes like last Monday)? Do you have skill and interest in creating and maintaining Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and/or possibly even TikTok accounts? The People to People ministry in our church is looking for help to establish a social media presence for announcements, volunteer recruitment, information sharing, etc. If interested, or for more information, contact Jeff McLaughlin at jeffmcl@icloud.com.

Meals for St. Mary's Franciscan Shelter

Thanks to all who delivered meals to St. Mary's Shelter over the past week. Because of you, the families at St. Mary's enjoyed a variety of nutritious and yummy dinners throughout the week. Our next opportunity to deliver meals to St. Mary's will be in February 2022.

Remembering Loved Ones

On November 7th, All Saints' Sunday, we will note in the bulletin the names of the saints (believers) from our congregation who have died during the past year. We will also note other relatives and loved ones who have died in the past year but were not members of this church. If you would like the names of those loved ones listed, please send a message to Sue Smith at secretaryfpc145@gmail.com or call the church office at 610-933-8816.

YARN, YARN...Still lots left!

Remember the notice a few months ago? The one about yarn available for the taking? Well, there is still much there for your knitting pleasure. Whether for sweaters for the winter, scarves for People to People or baby blankets and NICU caps to donate, please go to the "yellow room" at the end of the hall on the main level and help yourself. If you have any question, please contact Barbie Kepler at bkepler@aol.com, 610-653-0126 or 610-783-7055.

Adult Bible Study

The Adult Bible Study resumed on September 19, via Zoom, from 8:30-9:30 AM. We will be studying the book *Simon Peter: Flawed but Faithful* Disciple, by Adam Hamilton. All are welcome. Anyone interested in joining should contact Sue Casey, skcinpa@aol.com, for the Zoom link and to get a book.

Pub Theology

The next Pub Theology will meet on Sunday, October 10th 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!

Scrip Gift Card Orders

We will be placing orders for gift cards every other Wednesday, (October 6 & October 20). 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 (October 5 & October 19). Please make checks payable to "First Presbyterian Church DR".

As always...Thank you for continuing to support this program as a percentage of each order goes to benefit the church.

The Stewardship Committee

Book Club

The Antiracism Book Club's next meeting will be on Sunday, Oct. 24th at 7:00 PM. The group will discuss a new book. All are welcome to **Zoom** in to learn, listen, and chat.

Help our neighbors in Mont Clare

As we were looking for ways to help our neighbors and friends in Mont Clare, who were profoundly affected by flooding caused by Hurricane Ida, we were informed that donations of Lowes and Target gift cards (\$25 denomination) would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to order cards through our Scrip program, we will deliver them to the to the appropriate organization for you.

Many families have months of work ahead as they try to rebuild their homes and lives. All donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Virtual Journey to Guatemala

The next CEDEPCA Virtual (Zoom) Journey to Guatemala will take place on Wednesday, October 27, at 7:00 p.m. The theme will be "What About the Men?" and the program will focus on CEDEPCA's efforts to equip young men to challenge the dominant culture of chauvinism and violence in Guatemala. (CEDEPCA is the educational and pastoral organization with which we have collaborated during our trips to Guatemala.) For information and to register for the virtual journey, go to https://tinyurl.com/39rr34re. By the way, CEDEPCA is also planning a "virtual chocolate tasting" for November. That should be interesting! Stay tuned.

Orion Presents: Music for Everyone

On Wednesday, October 20 (7 p.m.), Orion Communities will host the 7th Annual *Music for Everyone* concert at the Colonial Theatre. You can attend live (with proof of vaccination and a mask) or online. For details, go to www.OrionCommunities.org/MFE-2021.

Assistance for Those Affected by Natural Disasters

Over the past several weeks, we have seen a number of overlapping natural disasters in the United States and beyond. As usual, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is working to address and alleviate these situations as specific needs present themselves. Please pray for those who have suffered losses as a result of the earthquake in Haiti, the wildfires in California, and Hurricane Ida throughout the eastern United States. You can also make a monetary contribution toward PDA's work in these areas through the church. To do so, make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church of Phoenixville and indicate (this is important!) "Presbyterian Disaster Assistance" on the memo line. You may also specify whether you would like your donation to go toward Haiti, California, or Hurricane Ida. If no preference is indicated, we will divide your contribution equally among the three areas. Checks can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church, or dropped off at the church office. Thanks!

Parking Lot Attendants Needed

We will continue to need volunteers to collect parking donations on Friday and Saturday evenings from 5:00pm – 8:00pm during the month of October. As always, this 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.

"We Are" Vigils

Pastor Doug and other community leaders are 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 7:00 pm. The next "We Are" in person vigil will be held on Thursday, Oct. 21st.

This Week in the Life of the Church

Sunday, October 10th (*Childcare provided)

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

12:00 n. People to People Jewelry Sale (Classroom in glass hallway)

12:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee meeting via Zoom

7:00 p.m. Pub Theology at The Foodery on Bridge Street

Monday, October 11th

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

6:00 p.m. People to People Jewelry sale (Classroom in glass hallway)

Tuesday, October 12th

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

7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, October 13th

7:30 p.m. Bell choir rehearsal (choir room)

7:30 p.m. All Church Zoom event, Trivia Night

Thursday, October 14th

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. Compassionate Friends meeting (parlor)

Friday, October 15th 9:00 a.m. WIC (fellowship hall)

Saturday, October 16th No events scheduled.

Sunday, October 17th

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

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

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

12:00 n. Women's Circle (parlor)

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

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Church Office Hours

Monday & Wednesday: 9:00am – 4:00pm

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Note: Pastor Doug's day off is Friday each week. Please respect his day off unless there is an emergency.

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