

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
February 13, 2022 ††† 10:30 a.m.



Prelude

"Marching to Zion"

arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome

Rev. Doug Hagler

Sharing the Peace

Announcements

Sarah Shulman

* Call to Worship (*unison*) *Psalm 1*

Jacqui Busch

**Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,
or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;
but their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law they meditate day and night.**

**They are like trees planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.**

In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

**Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;
for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.**

* Hymn # 247 "Now the Green Blade Rises"

1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
 2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
 3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,

wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
 think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
 he that for three days in the grave had lain;
 your touch can call us back to life a - gain;

love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
 laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
 raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
 fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

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 MUSIC: French carol, 15th cent.; harm. Martin Shaw, 1928
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Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

**Sustaining God, you would have us rooted in you,
finding strength in your word and nourishment in your grace.
More often, though, we live as chaff, blown here and there by the
winds of circumstance.
Forgive our failures to hold fast to our commitments.
Nourish in us a faith that plants us firmly in your promises,
releases us from sin, and opens us to the life you have shown us in
Jesus Christ.** (*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.**

Children's message

*Children will now be escorted to Fellowship Hall for Sunday School or
they may stay with their family in worship.*

Call to the Word "*Listen, You Nations of the World*"

Prayer for Illumination

Jacqui Busch

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: Jeremiah 17:5-10

⁵Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

⁶They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.

⁸They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

⁹The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it?

¹⁰I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Reading: Luke 6:17-26

¹⁷He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. ¹⁸They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured.

¹⁹And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

²⁰Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

²²"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

²⁶"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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

Sermon

Rev. Doug Hagler

* Hymn # 773 "Heaven Shall Not Wait"

Capo 1: (D) (G) (A) (A7) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
 Eb Ab Bb Bb7 Eb Cm7 Fm Bb

1 Heaven shall not wait for the poor to lose their pa-tience,
 2 Heaven shall not wait for the rich to share their for-tunes,
 3 Heaven shall not wait for the dawn of great i - de - as,
 4 Heaven shall not wait for tri - um-phant Hal - le - lu - jahs,

(D) (G) (A) (A7) (D) (G) (Asus) (A)
 Eb Ab Bb Bb7 Eb Ab Bbsus Bb

the scorned to smile, the de-spised to find a friend:
 the proud to fall, the e - lite to tend the least
 thoughts of com - pas - sion di-vorced from cries of pain:
 when earth has passed and we reach an - oth - er shore:

(Bm7) (Em) (F#m) (Bm7) (D) (Em7) (A)
 Cm7 Fm Gm Cm7 Eb Fm7 Bb

Je - sus is Lord; he has cham - pioned the un - want - ed;
 Je - sus is Lord; he has shown the mas - ter's priv - ilege:
 Je - sus is Lord; he has mar - ried word and ac - tion;
 Je - sus is Lord in our pres - ent im - per - fec - tion;

(D) (G) (A) (A7) (D) (Bm) (Em)
 Eb Ab Bb Bb7 Eb Cm Fm

in him in - jus - tice con - fronts its time - ly
 to kneel and wash ser - vants' feet be - fore they
 his cross and com - pa - ny make his pur - pose
 his power and love are for now and then for

1-3 4
 (Asus) (A) (Asus) (A) (D)
 Bbsus Bb Bbsus Bb Eb

end. ev - er - more.
 feast.
 plain.

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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.

Offering Anthem *"Marching Upwards to Zion"* arr. C. Cherry

Come we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known.

Join in our song with sweet accord, and thus surround the throne.

We're marching to Zion, beautiful Zion.

We're marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.

Let those who refuse to sing who never knew our God.

But children of the heavenly king may speak their joys abroad.

Then let our joys abound and every year be dry.

We're marching through Immanuel's ground to fairer worlds on high.

* Doxology

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: Adam Smith

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 # 852 "When the Lord Redeems the Very Least"

1 When the Lord re - deems the ver - y least,
 2 When the Lord re - stores the sick and weak, we will re -
 3 When the Lord re - vives the world from death, we will re-joyce, will re -
 4 When the Lord re - turns in vic - to - ry,

joyce,
 joyce, will re-joyce.

When the hun - gry gath - er for the feast,
 When the earth is giv - en to the meek,
 When the word of God fills ev - ery breath,
 When we live in glo - rious lib - er - ty,

Refrain

we will re-joyce. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce.

joyce with glad-ness. We will re-joyce.
 joyce with glad-ness. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce with glad-ness. All our

We will re-joyce!
 days we'll sing to God in praise. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce!

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* Benediction

Rev. Doug Hagler

Postlude

“*Jesus Loves Me*”

Praise Team

Souper Bowl 2022 – Today!

Thanks for your contributions to this year’s Souper Bowl of Caring. All donated canned goods and cash contributions will be delivered to Phoenixville Area Community Services (PACS).

Lent 2022: A Celebration of Discipline

This year during Lent, we will be studying spiritual disciplines with the help of a classic book on the topic: *A Celebration of Discipline* by Richard Foster. It was first published in the 1970s, and we will be using the updated edition available from Amazon, or for a slightly lower cost as of recently, Christian Book Distributors. If you would like for the church to order a copy for you, let Pastor Doug know. Also, when you get a chance, [fill out the very brief survey](#) to decide when we will be meeting between worship services for study and discussion.

Men’s Group

All men of the congregation are welcome to meet with Pastor Doug for a Men’s Group gathering after the service on Sunday, February 20th. Chat, bond, and learn something new.

Scrip Gift Card Orders

We will be placing orders for gift cards every other Wednesday in February (Feb. 2 and Feb. 16). If you would like to place an order, please call or text Lynne Williams at 610-415-1581 (home) or 610-955-4749 (cell), or send an email (brettdrew@comcast.net). As always, we will complete the order forms for you. Orders and checks must be received by the day before the orders are placed (Feb. 1 and Feb. 15). Please make checks payable to “First Presbyterian Church DR”. Thank you...Thank you for continuing to support this program!
Happy Groundhog Day & Happy Valentine’s Day!!

Book Group

The **Antiracism Book Group**’s next meeting will be on Sunday, Feb. 27th at 7:00 PM. The book to be discussed is “Caste” by Isabel Wilderson.

Cards for the Military

There is a basket in the narthex for your cards, letters, and notes for individuals serving in the military. Jen Johnson will be delivering these notes to her nephew Peter Johnson and his Navy squadron. Contact Jen (physedjj@verizon.net) for more information.

March Mission to Supply the PACS Pantry

During the month of March, we will again be collecting donations for Phoenixville Area Community Services (PACS). Throughout the month, there will be a container in the narthex for nonperishable food items, such as: peanut butter, canned pasta, mac and cheese, jelly/jam, cooking oil, canned meat, pasta sauce, juice and juice mix, pancake mix, condiments, oatmeal (not instant), rice, snack foods, and baking mixes. Non-food items (not eligible for SNAP purchase) are also needed, such as: deodorant, feminine products, pet food, dish and laundry soap, toothpaste, paper products, baby diapers (sizes 4, 5, 6), shampoo, and cleaning supplies. Donations can also be dropped off in the church office. Contact Jeff McLaughlin (jeffmcl@icloud.com) with questions.

Good Works Volunteers Needed

Among the top-rated priorities in the recent MAC priorities survey was “Participation in a one-day Good Works home project.” Workdays in our area are coming up on March 12 and April 9. The commitment is from 8:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you want to volunteer and/or receive information about these workdays, send an email to Good Works at business@goodworksinc.org. You can also find general information about Good Works at <https://www.goodworksinc.org>. We will continue to provide information about upcoming Good Works opportunities. Also, if you do sign up for a Good Works project, please let us know (Jeff McLaughlin at jeffmcl@icloud.com or anyone else on the MAC Committee)!

MAC Priorities Survey

You can still complete the MAC Committee’s anonymous survey of mission priorities here: <https://tinyurl.com/2p8f8c76>. We are interested in your preferences and ideas! (The average time to complete the survey is between 3 and 4 minutes.) Thanks!

Prayer Requests

Joys:

Concerns: Connie Wilson; Baby Jayda

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.

Sunday School

In an attempt to continue to keep our children and teachers healthy, Sunday School will continue to be held in Fellowship Hall (and outside if possible) once a month for the next 4 months. Dates will be February 13, March 13, April 10, and May 22.

We will now be meeting during the Worship Service and the children (ages 3 and up) will go to worship, then to Sunday School following the Children's message.

Children under 3 will still go up to the Nursery.

On weeks that we don't have Sunday School, the children (through 3rd grade) may still go up to the nursery area after the Children's message.

Pub Theology

The next Pub Theology will meet on Sunday, March 13th 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.

Presentation Invitation - Feb. 23, 7:30 PM

Democracy at Stake: Voting and Election Policy

Congregation B'nai Jacob hosts a League of Women Voters presentation on Election Law and Policy. LWV Director of Government Policy Susan Gobreski will discuss election law and current threats to free and fair elections. The program is open to the public. Click [HERE](#) to register for the Zoom Link <https://tinyurl.com/demstake>

Ushering Help Wanted

There are a few spots open for ushering on Sunday mornings. Usher requirements are: a friendly smile (behind your mask), while assisting with bulletins, receiving the offering and occasionally directing congregation forward for communion. For more information please see Jewell Baker jebaker38@gmail.com or Ken Brown. kbrownmus@aol.com

On-Line Contribution Information

Several visitors to the church have asked about on-line giving. Below is the link to Faith Life, the app. that handles our on-line contributions.

If you are a friend or member of the church, and you have an envelope number, you can include when the on-line account is set-up.

If you do not have an envelope number, you can contribute as a friend.

You can also access the link on the church web site. Direct any questions to fpctreasurer145@gmail.com. Thank you. <https://faithlife.com/fpcop-n/give>

Ink Cartridges

We are continuing to collect used cartridges to recycle at Staples. The church receives a \$2 credit for each cartridge. You may drop off your cartridges in the church office. This program helps you recycle your cartridges, while at the same time assisting the church.

2022 Apportionment

The Presbytery apportionment amount for this year is \$35.00 **per member**. You will find an apportionment envelope in the beginning of your new box of offering envelopes. We thank you in advance for your contribution.

A Request from a Neighbor

Bridge of Hope is still in need of affordable housing in the Phoenixville area for a family with five children. The ideal need is for a 3-4 bedroom residence with a maximum rent of \$1500. Although this family does not have good credit, there are references available and a stable, secure income. If you have any leads on possible housing, please contact Pastor Doug.

Upcoming Scripture Readings

February 20th: Genesis 45:3-15; Luke 6:27-38

February 27th: Exodus 34:29-35; Luke 9:28-43

This Week in the Life of the Church

Sunday, February 13th (*Childcare available.)

8:30 a.m. Bible Study via Zoom

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

10:30 a.m. *Sunday School (starting in sanctuary, then fellowship hall)

12:00 n. Worship & Music Committee meeting (parlor)

Monday, February 14th 6:30 p.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)

Tuesday, February 15th

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

7:15 p.m. Church Growth/Christian Ed. Committee meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, February 16th 10:00 a.m. AARP Board meeting (parlor)

Thursday, February 17th

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 (choir room)

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

Friday, February 18th

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

Saturday, February 19th

9:30 a.m. Zumba class (fellowship hall)

Sunday, February 20th (*Childcare available.)

8:30 a.m. Bible Study via Zoom

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

12:00 n. Men's Group (meet in office then out for lunch)

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

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Church Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00am – 4:00pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00am – 4:00pm

Note: Pastor Doug's day off is Friday each week.

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