



First Presbyterian Church
BETHLEHEM PENNSYLVANIA

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

in the Kirk Center
6 p.m. Saturday
9 & 10:30 a.m. Sunday

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

in the Sanctuary
8:45 & 10:15 a.m. Sunday

Rev. Dr. Alf Halvorson

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES AND
PAGERS DURING WORSHIP SERVICES.

Child care is available in the Children's
Center for all worship services
for infants to age two.

Adults with special needs
9:30 a.m. in Room 216

Large print bulletins and Children's bulle-
tins and worship bags are available. *Please
ask an usher.*

Tapes and CDs of this morning's Traditional
service are available in Fellowship Hall.

Please notify ushers if you are a trained
First Responder for medical emergencies.

**PREACHING NEXT WEEK
JANUARY 21 & 22**

Preaching: Rev. Jack Brace
Scripture: Philippians 2:12-18

OFFICE HOURS:

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. M-F
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Our Vision Statement

First Presbyterian Church is a
community following Jesus Christ and
serving in creative worship, intentional
discipleship, compassionate care and
active outreach to the world.

Core Values

Following in the example of Jesus
Christ set before us, we are committed
to be scripturally guided, prayerfully
grounded, relationally connected,
serving intentionally and loving
unconditionally.

THE Heartbeat

The Heartbeat is also available online at fpc-bethlehem.org/newsevents.

Baptisms for Saturday, January 14

6 p.m. contemporary worship: Brayden Robert Cosover, son of Anna Louise (Blazinski) Cosover and Matthew Todd Cosover; Samuel Nicholas Hayes, son of Jocelyn Alicia (Fleck) Hayes and Jeremy Marcus Hayes. Elder: Bill Gruenewald

Baptisms for Sunday, January 15

8:45 a.m. traditional worship: Everett Paul and Tristan James Turkovich, sons of Valynn Michelle (Williams) Turkovich and Stuart Paul Turkovich. Elder: Beth Bloss

9 a.m. contemporary worship: John Albert Reinking, IV, son of Meghan (O'Donnell) Reinking and John Albert Reinking, III. Elder: Larry Rood

10:15 a.m. traditional worship: Madison Lynn Cornwell, daughter of Kelly Lynn (Pico) Cornwell and Jason William Cornwell; Connor Michael Eisenhardt, son of Donette Renee (Colodonato) Eisenhardt and Jacob William Eisenhardt; Grayson Adam Levine, son of Erin Elizabeth (Deremer) Levine and Adam Benjamin Levine; Lilliana Catherine Riffert, daughter of Stacy Catherine (Moore) Riffert and Steven Charles Riffert. Elders: Warren Waite, Gail Farnham

Service for Healing & Wholeness

Sunday, January 15 at 11:45 a.m. in the Chapel

Martin Luther King Day

Monday, January 16

The church will be closed in observance of the holiday.

Inquirers Class

January 24 & 31 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the parlor.

For those who want to know more about what it means to become a member of
First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem

Child care available with registration. Please contact Yovita at 610-317-6162, ext.
206, or ywooden@fpc-bethlehem.org to register. Please include the names and ages of
your child(ren) needing child care.

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem

Sunday, January 29, at 12:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

A luncheon will be given by Youth Ministry at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Luncheon
tickets will be available on Jan. 15 and 22 in the North and South Links and Rotunda
(outside the Kirk Center) or in the church office during the week. Seating will be available
the day of the luncheon on an "as available" basis. We do not take phone reservations.
The cost is \$10 per adult and \$7 per child (up to age 10).

Proceeds from the dinner will help support youth mission trips this summer.

Ministry Contacts

Phone: 610-317-6162	Ext.
<i>Alf Halvorson, Pastor/Head of Staff</i>	213
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Weekday Preschool & Extended Care 610-867-2956	

Choir Rehearsals

Trinity Choir: Tuesdays, 4:15–5:30 p.m.

Carol Choir: Tuesdays, 4:15–5:30 p.m.

Middler Boys & Girls Choir: Tuesdays, 4:15–5:30 p.m.

High School Chorale: Tuesdays, 7–8:30 p.m.

Chancel Choir: Thursdays, 7:30–9:30 p.m.

Christian 12-Step Support Group:

Wednesdays, 7–8 p.m., Room 408. Contact May, 610-252-2641, or Bill, 610-866-6547.

Job Seekers Arise! Prayer and Christian support for those unemployed or underemployed. Mondays, 7 p.m. in Room 408. Contact Rita Neuhauser, rneuhauser@rcn.com, 610-868-7305. No meeting Jan. 16.

Single Adults Learning Together:

Second and fourth Sundays of the month, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. in the parlor. Contact Carolyn Johnson at cvdennis@earthlink.net for more info.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

Hearts and Minds: Sundays, 9 a.m. in the parlor. HnM invites vigorous discussion and diverse viewpoints on a variety of issues related to faith and spirituality. Visit www.fpc-bethlehem.org/foradults#hm for more info. Meetings resume Jan. 22, 2012.

Crown Financial Course: Sundays, Jan. 8–Feb. 12, 10:15–11:30 a.m. in Room 408. Want to start off the New Year making financial decisions God's way? Take the Crown Financial Journey to Freedom class and learn to apply God's wisdom to everyday financial decision making. To register or for more info, call Dean or Linda at 610-395-8756.

DadsZone Book Study: "Raising a Modern-Day Knight" by Robert Lewis. Dads, join us Sundays, Jan. 15–Feb. 26 at 9 a.m. in Room 420 for this tale of raising sons. "Remember dads, if you don't raise your son to manhood...the world will! Registration is not required. Contact Andy Montero, 610-419-0254, or andypanada@rcn.com, or Gary Kessler, 610-758-9398, or garyk66@gmail.com.

Marriage Ministry Spring Book Class: "Do You Want to Get Well?" Sundays, Jan. 29–March 18, 2012, 10:15–11:30 a.m. in Room 400. Join us as we continue to study James Spence's powerful book. Email Diane Ungerer at dianeungerer@aol.com by Jan. 15 to register. Books available for \$12—email david.wersinger@stvinc.com.

Women's Bible Study: Becoming a Woman of Freedom: by Cynthia Heald. Tuesdays, Jan. 10–March 27, 2012, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., in Room F1/F2. Discover how Jesus Christ gives meaning to life and freedom to become who we were created to be. Cost \$10. Contact Linda Scott, lscott@fpc-bethlehem.org or ext. 216 to register.

For Moms Only: Tuesdays, Sept. 13–May 22, 9:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. in Rooms F3/F4. Child care provided. Contact Molly Anderson, mlnye@msn.com, 610-837-2667, or Linda O'Brien, obrienlmc@aol.com, or 610-419-1427 for more info.

Slightly Bad Girls of the Bible: By Liz Curtis Higgs. Wednesdays, Jan. 25–March 28, 9:30–11:30 a.m. in Room F3/F4. Join us in this women's Bible study about five flawed women loved by a flawless God. Cost: \$12. To register, email lscott@fpc-bethlehem.org or call ext. 216.

Presbyterian Women Circle Meetings: First Thursday of the month, through June. Morning, afternoon and evening circles. Current study: The Beatitudes. Contact Norma Dellorto, nordon@ptd.net, or 610-814-0245, for more info.

Thursday Morning Men's Group: Meet for breakfasts at the Blue Sky Cafe in South Bethlehem at 7 a.m. Contact Mike Baittinger, mike.baittinger@leberandesa.com, or 610-360-0791.

Men's Thursday Group Study: Book of Romans. Thursdays, 7–9 p.m. in the Commons. All men welcome. Contact Greg Perlman, 610-217-9093, or gregperlman@yahoo.com. **M**

"Disciplines of a Godly Man" by R. Kent Hughes: Fridays, 6:15–7:45 a.m. in the parlor. Book is \$12. For more info, email Larry Rood, lrood@rcn.com. **M**

Estudio Biblico en Español (Spanish Bible Study): The first Saturday of each month, 7:30 p.m. in Room 420. Contact Kathie Welker at kwelker@fpc-bethlehem.org or 610-317-6162, ext. 228.

CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP

Sunday School for K–5th Grade

First Hour: 8:45–10 a.m. in the Children's Center (north wing)

Second Hour: 10:15–11:30 a.m. in the Children's Center (north wing).

For more info contact Priscilla Moreira, 610-867-5865, ext. 253, or pmoreira@fpc-bethlehem.org. Registration forms are required.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Primetime: Sundays, 10:15–11:30 a.m. in the Commons and Step Room.

Youth Club Extreme (YCX): 5:45–8:15 p.m. This week's theme: Chinese New Year. Registration forms available in the literature racks and our website. **R**

HIGH SCHOOL

High School Sunday AM: 10:15–11:30 a.m. in the H.S. Hospitality and Step Rooms.

Sunday Night Live (SNL): 6:30–9 p.m., H.S. Hospitality and Step Rooms.

Youth Inquirers: 6:30–9 p.m. in the H.S. Step Room.

Youth Inquirers Mentor Dinner: Jan. 22, 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Youth Inquirers Retreat: Jan. 27–28. **R**

MISSION & OUTREACH

2012 Short-term Mission Opportunities:

- Haiti: March 3–10
- Toronto: May 19–26
- Brainerd: 3rd or 4th weekend of August
- Helping Hands: Joplin, Missouri, April 14–22 or April 21–29 or the two week option of April 14–29.

We are also working on additional short-term opportunities, so please come and learn what exciting opportunities God may have for you in this New Year: Sundays, Jan. 22 and Feb. 5 in Room 212 at 10 and 11:30; Saturdays, Jan. 21 and Feb. 4 in the Kirk Center Gallery after the 6 p.m. worship service.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CARE

Hi-Neighbors: Monday, Jan. 16: Martin Luther King Day—no Hi-Neighbors.

Centering Prayer: Mondays, 7–8 a.m. in Room 412. Join us for a time of centering prayer and offer yourself to God. Centering prayer allows you to be available to God, to say “yes” to His presence and allow Him to work within you.

Emotional Wellness Ministry: If you or someone of any age whom you know and love is suffering from depression, anxiety, relationship difficulties, ADHD, trauma or similar emotional health issues, the Emotional Wellness Ministry has created a caring, confidential network of professional people and resources within the church who may be able to help. Support and information are available through the pastors, or by contacting Trish Fritz at 610-295-4435 or fritz.trish@gmail.com. Visit <http://www.fpc-bethlehem.org/compassionatecare/ewm> for more information.

Meals Ministry: Provides ready-to-eat meals to our FPC families in need. If you would like to make a meal request or provide meals for families in need, contact Carol VanArtsdalen at cvanartsdalen@yahoo.com or 610-867-1185 or Sally Gillispie at 610-867-8393 or mealministryfpc@gmail.com. Meals can be home-cooked or purchased from carryout services.

Weather cancellation information

For Sunday morning worship cancellations as well as cancellations during the week, check these sources:

- Church office: 610-867-5865
- Website: www.fpc-bethlehem.org
- FM radio stations B104 (104.1) and WZZO (95.1)
- AM radio stations WAEB (790) and WFOX (1470)
- WFMZ channel 69 News (TV)

Your specific ministry extension may also have cancellation information.

All youth activities will be canceled when Bethlehem School District closes or dismisses early due to weather conditions.

Please stay safe this winter and call the church before you venture out.

FPC LEHIGH PRESBYTERY COMMISSIONERS:

Bob Andress, Gail Farnham, Joanne Kelhart, Jim Koontz, Jeff Mohler, Ann Terres

Please Pray for Families who have lost a loved one:

Ray Bush and family for the loss of his mother, Florance; Mike Hughes and family for the loss of his father; Carole Rose and family for the loss of her brother, Michael Verini; Joyce Metteer and Amy Metteer-Storer for the loss of their son and brother, George; Ann Rahn and family for the loss of her husband, Hilton; Hans Stoll and family for the loss of his mother, Lucy Stoll

Whole Life Stewardship

“I judge all things only by the price they shall gain in eternity.”

—John Wesley, English evangelist, founder of Methodism

“Do not be overawed when a man grows rich...for he will take nothing with him when he dies.”

—Psalm 49:16–17

Learn more at www.fpc-bethlehem.org/wholelifestewardship.

MM = Marriage Ministry · M = Men's Ministry · W = Women's Ministry
CC = Childcare available · R = Registration required

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jesus was in a Small Group

He was in a group of 13 that met often, sharing the words of God, fellowship and food. Little is known about the group's dynamics except he needed the group as much as they him. First Presbyterian Church seeks to Know God, Love People, and Serve the World, and one of the key ways we do that is by being meaningfully connected in small groups. Get connected. Find friends. Grow closer to God. To join (or lead) a small group, contact the small group committee at 610-317-6162, ext., 219, or koinoniagroups@yahoo.com. When you are ready, Judy and Richard Williams, Holly and Mike Hughes, or Alan and Donna Barney will help you connect.

Super Couples Dinner

Friday, Feb. 3 (Super Bowl Weekend), 6:45–9 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Couples young, old, married, engaged or thinking about it—you are invited for an evening of wonderful food (catered by Bob Wingrove), great music (by Ted “Mr. Piano Man” Rewak) and a message of encouragement from Pastor Alf. Cost: \$50 per couple.

Register by Jan. 30 by emailing Larry Rood, lrood@rcn.com; or Bob Address, rdbobdog@aol.com.

JOY Movie Night

“The King’s Speech,” Friday, Jan. 27, 6 p.m. This true story about King George VI received two top Oscars and Best Film of the Year award.

\$5 per person cost includes pizza, ice cream, popcorn and a beverage. Pastor Alf Halvorson will lead a group discussion after the movie. Family and friends are welcome. Register at the JOY booth in Fellowship Hall between traditional services or mail your check to First Presbyterian Church. Write “JOY Movie Night” in the memo line. Registration deadline is Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012.

Missing Books

About 15 copies of the book “Christians and Muslims from History to Healing,” written by Dr. Kenneth B. Cragg, are missing from the Church Parlor. Please call Chips Arend, 610-861-8185, if you can assist in locating these copies.

Denominational Matters; Fellowship of Presbyterians

An email was recently sent by Pastor Alf to all members of FPCB providing “The Fellowship of Presbyterians” draft of Theological Essentials and a document put together by Pastors Cody and Jack regarding how our current Book of Confessions and Book of Order guide us Presbyterians in how we approach and use Scripture. Seven copies of these documents are now available for reading in the Adult Resource Library. We welcome your feedback.

Now Recruiting for the 2012 FPC Softball Season!

Come out and join a fun, competitive, co-ed, multi-church, Christ-centered softball league and get to know some more folks from our FPC family and the Lehigh Valley.

This is the fourth season for the three FPC teams, and we’re looking for an FPC 3-peat for the championship!

Signups are January through March, with practices starting in April. The season runs late April through July. Players of all ages and abilities are welcome. All games are played at 6:30 p.m. at the Hanover Township Community Center, typically one game per week (occasionally two) on Mon., Tues or Thurs.

Please contact Josh Anderson at joshua_anderson@merck.com or call 610-360-4868 for more details.

Deacon Fund

Many come through our church doors seeking financial help in these difficult times. Some are part of our FPC family and others are from our Bethlehem community at-large. Needs are varied and urgent. Funds that are specifically used to meet these kinds of needs are heavily used. Some of the most common requests include rent, utilities, heating oil, car insurance and groceries. Can you help these dear people who are temporarily financially distressed? We are blessed; let us be a blessing.

Please write your check to the church, adding Deacon Fund to the memo line and give or send your check to Pastor Manuela Kauer. Thank you.

Leadership Enhancement Workshop

Saturday, Jan. 28 (snow date: May 5), 9 a.m.–1:30 p.m.; Lehigh Presbytery Mission Center Conference Room. Facilitated by Jan Marsh. Sponsored by Presbyterian Women, Lehigh Presbytery.

This conference will teach you five modules to share with your Session, women’s ministry area, ministry team or organization.

Flyers with more information and directions are located in the literature racks. Register by calling Robin at the Presbytery Office: 610-391-9020.

Think Summer. Think Sun. Think Kirk Camp!

Kirk Camp 2012 registration begins Sunday, Nov. 20, in Fellowship Hall from 9:30–10:15 a.m. Look for posters and registration forms soon! Questions? Call Andie at 610-867-2956.

First week: June 17–22

Second week: June 24–30

Christian Education Scholarships Available

Scholarships are available to church members pursuing a career in professional Christian service, such as ministry, children’s education, mission work or music. Applications for funds needed for the 2012–13 academic year are now available in our church office reception area or email barry@kesslerchemical.com. The application deadline is Feb. 13. Current scholarship recipients must reapply for additional funding. The fund’s source is the Barry Brandt Memorial Scholarship Fund, established in the 1960’s.



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