



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 FEBRUARY 4 & 5

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Alf Halvorson
Scripture: Philippians 3:4b-16

OFFICE HOURS:

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. M-F
2344 Center St. Bethlehem, PA 18017
Ph: 610-867-5865 | Fax: 610-867-9782
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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.

Inquirers Class

January 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.

Souper Bowl of Caring

Donations will be received for the Souper Bowl of Caring after each worship service on Feb. 5. All donations will go to New Bethany Ministries and Victory House to help feed the poor and homeless in the Lehigh Valley.

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 did 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.

AccessACS

FPCB members may now search for other members and edit personal information through a new service, AccessACS. To get started in AccessACS, it is necessary to create a new user account. To create your account, log on to the following URL then complete the next three steps: <https://secure.accessacs.com/access/memberlogin.aspx?sn=150098>.

1. Below the sign-in blanks you should see: "Need a login? Click here" Click as indicated.
2. Next, you will be asked to enter your email address plus your first and last names. These three data elements must exactly match the information in the church database.
3. Click the "Find Me" button.

If you have any difficulty, please call Kathie, Yovita, Linda, or Susan in the church office at 610-867-5865.

Ministry Contacts

Phone: 610-317-6162	Ext.
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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.

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.

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: Super Bowl Night. 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.

High School Retreat: Feb. 24–26 at Camp Brainerd. **R**

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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.

Help the FPC Preschool Playground Fund: If you have a Giant Bonus Card, you can register it online or by phone with their A+ program. That's all you need to do. After that, every time you shop and use your Bonus Card, the preschool will get a percentage. To register online, log on to www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus or call 1-888-448-4642. Our school code is ID#06007. Thanks for your support!

MISSION & OUTREACH

2012 Short-term Mission Opportunities:

- Haiti: March 3–10
- Toronto: May 19–26
- Brainerd: Aug. 17–19
- Helping Hands: Joplin, Missouri, April 14–22 (week one) or April 21–29 (week two); Camp Brainerd, March 4–8.

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: Sunday, Feb. 5 in Room 212 at 10 and 11:30; Saturday, Feb. 4 in the Kirk Center Gallery after the 6 p.m. worship service.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CARE

Hi-Neighbors: Monday, Jan. 30: Coffee hour begins at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Program 1 (10 a.m.): "The Met: Live in HD," Lucy Bloise, Dir. of Marketing, Allentown Symphony; Program 2 (11:15 a.m.): "Dizziness, Vertigo and Balance," Dr. Johnathan Tompkins.

CPR Classes: Two options in February to learn the new 2010 CPR standards to be certified or recertified in CPR. Sign-up for Saturday, Feb. 4 or 18, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To register contact Linda Strayer, lstrayer@rcn.com, or 610-865-2441. First come—first served! Register today and receive the book in the Kirk Center Rotunda.

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.

Welcoming Prayer: Saturday, February 11, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Room 416. Welcoming Prayer is a prayer consenting to God's presence in the ordinary action and emotions of daily life. This Day of Quiet will introduce the Welcoming Prayer and provide opportunity to practice a prayer path to further deepen our relationship with God. To register, contact Kathie Welker at kwelker@fpc-bethlehem.org or by Monday, February 6.

Meal Ministry: Did you know that there are 45 people who have volunteered to be part of the meal ministry team? We will be honoring this growing ministry in our church on Sunday, February 12 from 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. in Room 212. Please come if you would like to learn more about this ministry or want to meet and thank the volunteers who brighten the days of those who are in need of a meal while recuperating.

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.

DEACONS: Marie Boltz, Jeanette Claesens, Jane Derbenwick, Terrence Dolan, Bobbi Edwards, Jean Foust, Carolyn Johnson, Sarah McIntyre, Dick McKenna, Susan Paden, Timothy Strayer, Yvonne Segreaves, Pam Swank, Rachel Taylor, Ruth Young

PLEASE PRAY FOR FAMILIES WHO HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE: Conrad Bare and family for the loss of his wife, Carolyn; the family of Janice Anderson for her loss; Bea and George Finkbeiner for the loss of their grandson, Peter Hoffman; the family of Betty Patterson for her loss; Ray Bush and family for the loss of his mother, Florence; Mike Hughes and family for the loss of his father

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.

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KIRK CAMP: AN AWESOME FAMILY VACATION

*Looking for a week away from it all?
Looking for a life-changing experience?
Looking for a unique family vacation?
Kirk Camp has it all!*

Kirk Camp, held at Pilgrim Pines on beautiful Lake Swanzey, New Hampshire, is a week away from our everyday lives. It's a time for learning and laughing, praying and playing, worship and campfires, resting and running (or walking), frogs and mountains, beach time and blobbing, and for building friendships that last a lifetime. Families and friends worship together, study together in classes for all ages, play together, share meals together, and have time alone with their family.

We've had baptisms in the lake, had a K-group form with people who met there, shared the Lord's Supper at the end of each week, laughed and cried together as we've faced tough times, and, above all, grown in our faith.

If you want to experience what so many others have, there's still time. There are two weeks of Kirk Camp—pick one and come! Dates for 2012 are June 17–22 and June 24–30. Pick up a brochure located around the church for more info, or call Andie Barbehenn at 610-867-2956 and see what God might have for you!



What folks have said after spending a week at Kirk Camp:

"This has been the best week of our lives—I don't have to do it all alone." —single mother of 2

"Our kids started asking if we could come back next year before we even left the camp road."

"It's the best family vacation we've ever had—there's something for everyone."

"There's no judgment here."

"I thought I was too old for Kirk Camp!"

"This has been a wonderful, unique time for our family and we have all fallen in love with Kirk Camp. We will be back next year!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Now Recruiting for the 2012 FPC Softball Season!

Come out and join a fun, competitive, co-ed, multi-church, Christ-centered softball league. This is the fourth season for the three FPC teams, and we're looking for an FPC 3-peat for the championship!

Sign up January through March. Practice starts in April. The season runs late April through July. Players of all ages and abilities are welcome. Games are played at 6:30 p.m. at the Hanover Township Community Center, typically one game per week on Mon., Tues. or Thurs.

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

REILLY: Free Concert

Based in Philadelphia (PA), Reilly is known for their unique blend of rock and dueling violins. Their energetic live show and spiritual depth has landed them attention by the music industry and a growing number of loyal fans throughout the United States, Canada and Europe. Chris Strayer of Purple Door Festival says "If Reilly's hearts, music and lyrics are not enough, the dueling violins will blow you out of your seat! This is my new favorite live band."

Reilly will be with us the week of Feb. 11 and 12, leading contemporary worship along with a free concert after worship (7:45 p.m.) on Saturday, Feb. 11.

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 great 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, l.rood@rcn.com; or Bob Address, rdbobdog@aol.com.

Listen to Sermons Online at www.fpc-bethlehem.org