



THE Heartbeat

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WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

in the Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday

Preaching: Rev. Alf Halvorson

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES AND PAGERS DURING WORSHIP.

Childcare is available in the Children's Center for all worship services for infants through children entering kindergarten in the fall.

Large print bulletins and Children's bulletins 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

July 31 & August 1

Preaching: Rev. Alf Halvorson
Scripture: Psalm 22

Psalms reading week 14:
Psalms 66-70

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.

PRAYER REQUESTED FOR MISSION TRIP PARTICIPANTS

Please continue to pray for the short-term mission team serving in East Asia from July 16-29.

———— Saturday, Aug. 7 ————

6 P.M. OASIS SERVICE WILL NOT BE HELD

due to set-up preparations for Sunday's worship service at Musikfest.

———— Sunday, Aug. 8 ————

OUR TENTH YEAR AT FESTPLATZ!

The FPC Bethlehem Oasis Band will once again rock Historic Bethlehem during their tenth Musikfest appearance at FestPlatz on Sunday, Aug. 8, at 10 a.m. Join us as we worship the Living God under the big tent. If you want to help spread the word, pass out Thirsty water bottles or set up/tear down on Aug. 8, please contact the Creative Arts Team Office at creativearts@fpc-bethlehem.org.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2010

Over 170 children experienced a Bible adventure at the SonQuest Rainforest during Vacation Bible School last week!

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Weekday Preschool & Extended Care
610-867-2956

SUPPORT GROUPS

Job Seekers Arise! Mondays, 7–8 p.m., room 408.

Christian 12-Step Support Group: Wednesdays, 7–8 p.m., room 206.

Single Adults Learning Together: Second and fourth Sundays of the month, 11:45 a.m., Parlor. The Singles Support Group has changed their name to Single Adults Learning Together.

TRUSTEES: Clement Bonnell, Sue Cady, Douglas Cappellini, Shannon Cawley, Jim DiSario, Barry Kessler, Jim Largay, Geoff Marsac, Jim Mautz, Don Mengel, Don Mongeon, Evelyn Stravino

FPC LEHIGH PRESBYTERY COMMISSIONERS:

Russ Grander, Bill Marsh, Jeff Mohler, Loey Post, Jill Smedley, Ann Terres

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

SUNDAYS—10:15 to 11:30 a.m.

Going Deeper with the Sermon: Room 412. Ongoing Bible study and discussion following the sermon topics. Join us anytime. Contact Bill Freeman, ext. 207, for more info.

WEDNESDAYS

A Woman's Heart, God's Dwelling Place: A Beth Moore Bible study. Wednesdays, June 2–Aug. 11, 9:30–11:30 a.m. and 7–9 p.m. in the Kirk Center. Contact Susan Smith, ssmith@fpc-bethlehem.org, or ext. 202, to register. **W**

THURSDAYS

Men's Small Group: 6:30–8 a.m. in the Parlor. Book Study: contact Bill Freeman, ext. 207. **M**

"Psalms:" 7–9 p.m. in room 416. Study the Psalms now through Thanksgiving. Email Jim Parker, adventurex2@verizon.net. **M**

FRIDAYS

"Genesis for Dummies:" 6–7 a.m. in room 416. Contact John Bell, john@hot-shot-inc.com, for more info.

"Book of Galatians:" 6:30–8 a.m. in the Youth Lounge. For more info, email Tom Willans, twillans@att.net. **M**

"The Reason for God: Belief in an Age of Skepticism:" by Tim Keller, Fridays, 6:30–7:45 a.m. in the Parlor. This class continues through the summer. Cost of book: \$12. For more info, email l.wood@verizon.net. **M**

CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP

Money Management for Children: Two identical workshops for children ages 5 to 9 on Wednesday, July 28 from 10 to 11:15 a.m. or from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. in room E3 in the Kirk Center. The Whole Life Stewardship Committee offers a fun workshop introducing the concepts of goal-setting and savings that parents can reinforce at home. Each participant receives a four-chambered piggy bank with slots for spending, saving, investing and donating money. Through fun activities, children get the message that a person has a greater sense of freedom and peace of mind once making a decision about how to manage his or her financial life. COST: Required pre-payment of \$5 per child. Space is limited to 20 children per workshop. Major support for the cost of the piggy banks has been provided by a grant from the Helen Harvey Jones Fund of the Presbyterian Fund. Registration deadline is July 25. Call Susan Smith, ext. 202 to register. For more information, contact Linda Robertson at 610-865-2087 or at LCRob123@PTD.net.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CARE

Meals Ministry: Provides ready-to-eat meals to our FPC families in need. To make a meal request, contact Carol VanArtsdalen, 610-867-1185, or cvanartsdalen@yahoo.com. Contact Lyn Russo at 484-851-3116, or lynramsey@hotmail.com, if you would like to provide meals to families in need. Meals can be home-cooked or purchased from carryout services.

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

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

Mission Mondays: July 26, 9 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Join us as we serve this week in our church! Open to all high school and middle school youth. Bring a bag lunch and extra water. *R

30-Hour Famine: July 30–31. Open to all youth who are entering grades 6–12. Sponsorship packets are available in the reception area in the main office or they can be obtained from a summer intern. Registration deadline is July 25. *R

MIDDLE SCHOOL

WednesDAZE: 7–8:30 p.m. on the front lawn. In case of inclement weather, meet in The Commons (former Youth Lounge). PLEASE NOTE: this is the last week for WednesDAZE.

HIGH SCHOOL

High School Sunday Night Live: 7–8:30 p.m. on the front lawn. In case of inclement weather, meet in the High School Lounge. August 1 is the last night for SNL.

Noon-30 Bible Study: Tuesdays, 12:30–2 p.m. in the High School Lounge. Bring your Bible and a sack lunch. PLEASE NOTE: this is the last week for the Bible study.

COLLEGE AGE

College Age Bible Study: Mondays, 6–8 p.m. At the home of Liz Kidney, 136 E. North St., Bethlehem. Please call Julie Ellis, 607-382-6304, if you have questions or need directions.

*Registration forms are available for Mission Mondays, and 30 Hour Famine in the information racks throughout the church or in the Youth and Young Adult section of our website.

MISSION & OUTREACH

Site Leader Volunteers Needed for Serve Day 2.0: FPC Bethlehem Serve Day is an intergenerational day of engagement through service with our Bethlehem community. This year's Serve Day has been set for Saturday, Oct. 2. The committee is looking for individuals to serve as site leaders. Site leaders interface with the agency to which they have been assigned and coordinate the volunteers who will be volunteering at their assigned site. If you are interested in serving as a site leader, please contact Bob Address, 610-767-3466, or rbobdog@aol.com.

Want to be part of the following 2010 Short-term Mission (STM) trips?

Applications available on the web

Christo Rey, Buenos Aires, Argentina, Oct. 22–31

Brainerd Work Weekend, Camp Brainerd, Stroudsburg, PA, Aug. 20–22

Visit www.fpc-bethlehem.org/activeoutreach to find out how you can be a part of the STM mission experience, or contact Jack Brace, Pastor for Mission & Outreach, ext. 250, or jbrace@fpc-bethlehem.org.



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THE THREE PRIORITIES AND SIX GOALS OF OUR VISION

A DEEPENING CONNECTION WITH THE LIVING GOD:

- 1,000 disciples reading/praying the Psalms
- Worship attendance grows to 1500
- ✓ 1200 people read the New Testament

A DEEPENING INVESTMENT WITH ONE ANOTHER:

- Intentionally mentor 25 servant leaders in key areas
- 1200 people meaningfully connected in groups
- ✓ Five new studies to resource, support, train and empower disciples

A DEEPENING ENGAGEMENT WITH THE WORLD FOR WHOM CHRIST DIED:

- Build a Habitat house in South Bethlehem in 2010 (17,000 hours)
- 1000 people engaged in a local, national, or international mission or service ministry
- ✓ \$100,000 in unrestricted funds to fuel the initiatives above

PLEASE PRAY FOR FAMILIES WHO HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE:

Wendy Horner and family for the loss of her mother, Mary Burns; John Dreese and family for the loss of his mother, Helen Dreese; Nancy Dienel and family for the loss of her father, Charles Roberts; Gerry and Phyllis Wertman and family for the loss of their daughter and step-daughter, Renee Reichenback; Joyce and Hal Mante and family for the loss of their son, James.

WHOLE LIFE STEWARDSHIP

God uses money as a testimony in the lives of His people.

“But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well”
(Matt. 6:33).

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

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FPC Bethlehem and Habitat for Humanity of the Lehigh Valley are building a house on 715 Aaron Street on Bethlehem's south side. For more info visit www.fpc-bethlehem.org/activeoutreach/bigbuild or call Pastor Jack Brace, ext. 250.

Calling all couples, marrieds, and soon-to-be-marrieds!

Join us for a Marriage Ministry "Date Night" cookout on the back lawn on Saturday, July 31 from 7–9:30 p.m. Last names starting with A–M, please bring a salad; N–Z, please bring a dessert. Bring lawn chairs. Babysitting provided. Donation: \$5 per couple. Email Bob Andress at rdbobdog@aol.com with "Date Night" in the subject line and include number of children that will need childcare. Sign-up sheets will also be available in the Kirk Center Rotunda until Sunday, July 25.

Attention! FirstFruits Gardeners

We are now collecting produce in the North Link (Traditional) and in the Rotunda (Contemporary) after each worship service. If you haven't signed up to be a FirstFruits Gardener, we'd welcome your produce as well if you'd like to donate. If you'd like some fresh produce and would like to bring a canned good for the New Bethany Food Bank or make a donation to them, we'd welcome that as well. Collections will continue till August 29.

Second Annual Men's Ministry IronPigs Outing

August 9, 2010

6:05 p.m. Buffet starts

7:05 p.m. Game starts

Cost \$40 per person includes food buffet and tickets for the dugout suite behind home plate. There are 30 tickets available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Contact Larry Rood at l.rood@verizon.net or 610-261-3810 for more info.

FPC Volleyball Team

Would you like to be part of an FPC Bethlehem team playing in the Bethlehem League of Churches Volleyball League? The league plays Saturday mornings beginning Sept. 18 at First Baptist Church, 3235 Linden St., Bethlehem. All men and women, sixteen years and older are invited to join. The league fee is \$35 per person. If interested, contact Sonja Lantinga at Sonja_Lantinga@fwc.com or 484-866-6689. Call soon—teams must be registered by Sept. 10.

Would You Like to Receive FPC Email?

If you would like to receive the weekly Heartbeat, special event information or specific ministry announcements by email, go to www.fpc-bethlehem.org and click on the Join Our Email List link. You'll have the option to sign up only for those ministry categories you are truly interested in. Email is an environmentally friendly, fast and convenient way to stay informed with the latest FPC news.

Please call the office with your email address as well, as there are occasions where individual messages to you may be preferable to group messages.

Summer Choir

If you love to sing or want to learn more about singing, then participate in the SUMMER CHOIR. We rehearse at 8:45 a.m. in the newly air-conditioned Choir Room and sing at the 9:45 a.m. service in the Sanctuary. Singers of all ages and abilities are warmly welcomed and encouraged to join in the fun. Why not give it a try?!? Come for one Sunday or sing throughout the summer through and including September 5. Join us as we REJOICE IN THE LORD!

The Art of Retirement Living

Art exhibit featuring local artists Li-hsien Chung Price and Bernie Tyler at Moravian Village of Bethlehem, 526 Wood St., Bethlehem. Public viewing hours are from 10 a.m.–6 p.m. daily through Sept. 30. Call 610-625-4885 for more info.

"When God Doesn't Answer Your Prayer"

A new book in the Adult Resources Library, by Jerry Sittser, explores the mysteries and paradoxes of unanswered prayer, a part of our faith experience. The author became a single father, losing his wife, daughter, and mother, when his car was hit by a drunken driver. Though his prayers at the time were not answered, he learns the deeper meaning of prayer over the years. With questions at the end of each chapter, this book may be suitable for small group study.

FPC Financial Ministry

A Financial Counseling Team (FCT), comprised of church members who have the experience to give financial guidance, wants to introduce biblically-based principles to help you with financial struggles. The FCT will **confidentially** address your financial situation, answer questions and provide help and support.

To speak to an FCT member, call 610-317-6162, ext. 328. For more info, visit www.fpc-bethlehem.org/foradults.

Comings and Goings on the Facilities Team

COMINGS: Please extend a warm welcome to Jeff Murphy. Jeff joined the facilities team as a part-time employee on June 21, 2010. He is looking forward to serving our church and God in his new position with us. If you see Jeff, please stop to say hello. We are happy to have him be a part of the team.

GOINGS: After 15 dedicated years of service Petr Svoboda, a part-time employee, has resigned to accept a full-time position elsewhere. Petr joined the church staff in May of 1994. He has been an asset to our church, and we will miss him. Petr was always willing to lend a hand—even when they were already full of other duties. We are sorry to see Petr leave and sincerely wish him all the best in his career. Members who would like to send Petr a note of appreciation may do so care of the church office.