



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 10 & 11

Preaching: Rev. Alf Halvorson
Scripture: Psalm 42

Psalms reading week 11:
Psalms 51-55

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.

THE Heartbeat

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

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- SATURDAY OASIS SERVICE AT 6 P.M.
SUNDAY CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP IN THE KIRK CENTER AT 9 & 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY TRADITIONAL WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY AT 9:45 A.M.

Saturday, July 3

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

Please pray for our high school youth serving in Rockford, Illinois, from July 3 to July 10.

Sunday, July 4

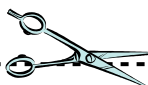
INDEPENDENCE DAY

Have a safe and happy holiday!

Monday, July 5

OFFICE AND CHURCH BUILDING CLOSED

in observance of the July 4 holiday.



REJOICE IN THE LORD

These four words are a Biblical mandate urging us to praise our loving Father, our Savior Jesus Christ, and "the Comforter"—the Holy Ghost. They are also the title of our hymnal. These books have been well used and much loved over the last quarter of a century—some are being repaired and others need to be replaced. The Worship Committee has purchased 240 brand new copies of REJOICE IN THE LORD. Members and friends of FPC are invited to place these books in our Sanctuary in loving memory or in honor of loved ones. The cost of each book is \$20. Please use this form and send it, with your check, to Kathie Welker, First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, 2344 Center Street, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18017. A beautiful marker will be placed in each book inscribed with the name(s) of your loved ones.

I/We wish to give ___ copy/copies of REJOICE IN THE LORD to be used in the Sanctuary of The First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem. These books are given

in loving memory of _____

in honor of _____

are given by _____

Please send your check (\$20 for each hymnal you wish to give), drawn to The First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem, and note HYMNALS in the memo line. Your gift will be received with gratitude and will enable us to continue to REJOICE IN THE LORD!

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<i>Tom Goeman, Assoc. Director of Music</i>	<i>322</i>
<i>Marie Miller, Carol Choir Director</i>	<i>324</i>
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<i>Diane Kulp, Resource Coordinator</i>	<i>238</i>
<i>Linda Scott, Admin. Assistant</i>	<i>216</i>
<i>Susan Smith, Admin. Assistant</i>	<i>202</i>
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Sam Huffard, Visitation Pastor 206

Mission & Outreach
Jack Brace, Pastor 250

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610-867-2956

SUPPORT GROUPS

Job Seekers Arise! Mondays, 7–8 p.m., room 408. Not meeting July 5 or 12.

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. Discover the connections between the building of the Old Testament Tabernacle and what God is creating in your life and heart. Cost: \$20 including workbook. Registration forms are available throughout the church. 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. We are using The Book of Genesis from the "Smart Guide to the Bible Series," written by Joyce L. Gibbons and Larry Richards. 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, beginning April 30, 6:30–7:45 a.m. in the Parlor. This class continues through the summer. Cost of the book is \$12. For more info, email l.rood@verizon.net. **M**

CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP

Join Us for VBS at "SonQuest Rainforest:" At SonQuest Rainforest your kids will follow Jesus on a life-changing journey as they sing songs, watch skits, create crafts and play games. More importantly, they'll learn about God's love for them and how following the Word He gave us will lead them on the path to a happy and fulfilling life. Begins Monday, July 19–Friday, July 23, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. Register by July 4: \$15 per child, \$45 family max. Contact Susan, ssmith@fpc-bethlehem.org, ext. 202.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CARE

Networking for Life Ministry—SAVE THE DATE on Tuesday, July 13, 7–9 p.m. for the second in a series of training sessions for those seeking employment and improving networks. Topic for the evening: Planning and Building a Resume. Room 400. For more info, contact Bill Gruenewald at wgruenewal@aol.com or 610-865-6074.

Prayer & Square Quilt and Shawl Knitting Ministry: Quilt ministry will meet on July 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in room 408. The knitting group will also meet with us. Helping hands are welcome to knit and quilt. Call Ginny Murphy at 610-868-6805 for info. No experience is needed.

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YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

SPECIAL SUMMER EVENT

IronPigs game: July 23, 6 p.m. Register by July 12. **R**

Open to all high school and middle school youth.

Transportation is provided, so registration is required!

Mission Mondays: July 12, 19 & 26, 9 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Join us as we serve in our city and at 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. Save the dates and watch the Heartbeat for additional details.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

WednesDAZE: Meets weekly, 7–8:30 p.m. on the front lawn. In case of inclement weather, meet in The Commons (former Youth Lounge).

HIGH SCHOOL

High School Sunday Night Live: Meets weekly, 7–8:30 p.m. on the front lawn. In case of inclement weather, meet in the High School Lounge. **SNL will not meet July 4.**

Noon-30 Bible Study: Tuesdays, 12:30–2 p.m. in the High School Lounge. Bring your Bible and a sack lunch. **The Bible study will not meet July 6.**

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 special summer event in the information racks throughout the church or in the Youth and Young Adult section of our website.

MISSION & OUTREACH

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

Applications available on the web

Allegheny Indian Reservation (AIR), Salamanca, NY, July 10–18

High School Outreach Camp, East Asia, July 15–26

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

KNOW GOD
LOVE PEOPLE
SERVE THE WORLD

PLEASE PRAY FOR FAMILIES WHO HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE:

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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General Assembly of Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will hold Biennial Meeting

The 219th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is gathering in Minneapolis from July 3–10 for its biennial meeting. At this year's meeting, the GA will be considering and voting on several very important issues which could have a profound impact on our denomination. As part of worship services this past weekend, Bill Marsh, an FPC Bethlehem Elder and one of four delegates to the GA from the Lehigh Presbytery, shared in depth about these issues. He also explained the process our Presbytery and our church will follow in response to any action of the GA.

Visit www.fpc-bethlehem.org for a full transcript of Bill's comments, including internet resources. The transcript is also available on one of the information tables in the Narthex or Rotunda. You are invited to contact any member of our Session or senior staff if you have questions or comments. Please pray for Bill and the other delegates to the General Assembly and for the PC (U.S.A.) in the days and weeks ahead.

Report of the Middle East Study Committee of the 2010 General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Copies of the specific recommendations (six pages) of this controversial document are available in the church library. The complete comprehensive study (175 pages) is available on the PC (U.S.A.) website. You can also find a link to the study on the Related Links page of our website:

www.fpc-bethlehem.org/who-we-are/relatedlinks. This report has been called a hot-button issue by Alf and it was harshly criticized by the conservative "Jerusalem Post." This boldly written statement addressing justice for all is the result of years of research, interviews, site visits and Biblical study.



FPC Bethlehem and Habitat for Humanity are partnering to build a house at 715 Aaron St. on Bethlehem's south side. Phase one (the blitz-build) was completed in record time. Phase two is now in progress. To find out more or to volunteer, visit www.fpc-bethlehem.org/activeoutreach/bigbuild or call Jack Brace at ext. 250.

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.

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

Price includes the 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.

Summer Choir

Every summer we invite anyone who loves to sing, or wants to learn more about singing, to participate in 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. It's an uplifting, challenging and rewarding part of our Ministry of Music—why not give it a try?!? By all reports, Greg Funfgeld and Tom Goeman are inspiring leaders and great fun to work with—come and see for yourself! Come for one Sunday or sing throughout the summer. Sundays, June 20 through and including September 5. Join us as we REJOICE IN THE LORD!

New in the Adult Resource Library: "When God doesn't answer your prayer" by Jerry Sittser.

This book 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.

Prayer and Share for Emotional Wholeness

Two Christian support groups for Lehigh Valley women: one for whose loved ones are struggling with emotional issues such as depression, anxiety, bipolar; and another for those afflicted themselves. Both meet on Monday, July 12, 7–8:30 p.m. at Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem and Tuesday, July 13, 7–8:30 p.m. at Asbury Methodist Church, Allentown. Topic: Psychologist Dr. Henry Cloud, DVD Boundaries, Part 2. Call Linda, 610-395-8756 for info.