



## 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  
8:45 & 10:15 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 to age two.

Adults with special needs  
9:45 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

May 29 & 30

Preaching: Rev. Manuela Kauer  
Scripture: Psalm 90

Psalms reading week 5:  
Psalms 21-25

### 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](http://fpc-bethlehem.org/newsevents).

————— Sunday, May 23 —————

## PENTECOST

### The birth of the church!

Everyone is encouraged to wear something red, the traditional color of fire and flame,  
symbolizing the birth of the Church!

## YOUTH INQUIRERS RECEIVED

in both Traditional services.

————— Monday, May 31 —————

## MEMORIAL DAY

In observance of the holiday, the office and church building will be closed. Please  
remember to honor and pray for those who lost their lives while in service to our country.

————— Friday, June 4 —————

## PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL — A PRESENTATION

Join us for "Pilgrimage to Israel" Friday evening, June 4, from 7-9 p.m. in the Kirk Center.  
Experience the sights and sounds through photos, videos, music and personal reflections  
from our pilgrimage to Israel in March, 2010. A group of 42 people, led by Pastor Alf  
Halvorson, left from our church on March 8 and returned on March 20, more deeply the  
body of Christ. We have been transformed by experiencing rich teaching while seeing and  
feeling the lands and places where Jesus lived, taught, preached and even died and rose  
again. This is a land filled with history and future promise, but also one at the center of  
three of the world's major religions and of ongoing conflict. Come, join us for this Christian  
travelogue of the Holy Land, and walk with us where Jesus and His apostles walked. For  
more info, contact Bill Marsh, [billmarsh@verizon.net](mailto:billmarsh@verizon.net) or 610-865-1869.

————— Saturday, June 5 —————

## FRONT LAWN CAMP OUT

3 p.m. Saturday-noon Sunday. See details on back page.

————— Sunday, June 6 —————

## THE CHANCEL CHOIR AND THE PHILADELPHIA HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

A concert in the Sanctuary at 4 p.m.  
Invite family and friends, colleagues and neighbors.  
The concert is free—no tickets required. ALL ARE WELCOME!

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**Weekday Preschool & Extended Care**  
610-867-2956

### CHOIR REHEARSAL

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

**ELDERS:** Robert Andress, James Birdsall, Beth Bloss, Lynnette Burns, Ray Davis, Gail Farnham, Debbie Field, Bob Hunsicker, Jack Jordan, Joanne Kelhart, Jim Koontz, Jan Marsh, Jeff Mohler, Betsy Mowrer, Jim Parker, Dave Post, Larry Rood, Robert Rupel, Mary Ann Skutches, Jill Smedley, Ken Wycherley

**DEACONS:** David Africa, Marie Boltz, Jane Derbenwick, Dennis Dodds, Terrence Dolan, Norma Ferguson, Jean Foust, Elaine Gable, Rich Gorton, Carolyn Johnson, Sarah McIntyre, Dick McKenna, Janet Pope, Pam

**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

## 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.

**DadsZone Study:** The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Families. Last Class. Room 420. Email [andypanda@rcn.com](mailto:andypanda@rcn.com). **M**

**Are You a Leader?:** Sundays, May 9, 16, 23, June 6, 10:15–11:30 a.m. in room 408. Do you have leadership experience in church activities, business leadership, your personal life? Do you feel called to serve but have never formally led a group? Please join Jim Parker, Mike Hughes, and Don Robertson for this 4-week series on the fundamentals of leading a small group. For more info, contact [mike\\_hughes@live.com](mailto:mike_hughes@live.com).

### TUESDAYS

**For Moms Only:** Through May 18, 9:30–11:30 a.m. in room F3/F4. Contact Molly Anderson, [mlnye@msn.com](mailto:mlnye@msn.com). **W**

### WEDNESDAYS

**NEW 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](mailto:ssmith@fpc-bethlehem.org), or ext. 202, to register, or visit the Women's Ministry table between Sunday services from May 16–May 30 in Fellowship Hall or the Kirk Center rotunda. Childcare for the morning study only. If needed, please pre-register by May 23. **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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:l.rood@verizon.net). **M**

## CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP

**Sunday School:** 10:15–11:30 a.m. for ages 2 through those in 5th grade.

**Preschool Faith Friends:** Sundays, 8:45–10 a.m. for ages 2 through 4 years old only.

**Join Us at "SonQuest Rainforest:"** FPC Bethlehem invites our community's children to join us for a Vacation Bible School they'll remember for years to come! At SonQuest Rainforest your kids will follow Jesus on a life-changing journey! They will have a great time 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. "SonQuest Rainforest" begins Monday, July 19–Friday, July 23, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. Early bird registration now through June 5: \$12 per child, \$36 family max; regular registration, June 6–July 4: \$15 per child, \$45 family max. Contact Susan, [ssmith@fpc-bethlehem.org](mailto:ssmith@fpc-bethlehem.org), ext. 202, or Priscilla, [pmoreira@fpc-bethlehem.org](mailto:pmoreira@fpc-bethlehem.org), ext. 253, for more info.

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## YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

All youth mission trip participants and leaders will be commissioned during the second Contemporary and Traditional worship services on May 30, along with all short-term mission trips.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

**Middle School Mission Trip:** July 11–17, Cosby, Tennessee. Late registrations being accepted. R

### HIGH SCHOOL

**H.S. Sunday AM:** 10:15–11:30 a.m. in the H.S. Lounge and Step Room.

**Youth Inquirers** will be recognized during both Traditional worship services on Pentecost Sunday, May 23.

**High School Mission Trip:** July 3–10; Rockford, Ill. Late registrations being accepted. R

**High School Grad Brunch:** June 6, 11:45 a.m.–2 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. R

Middle school and high school mission trip registration forms are available 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\*\*

**Appalachia Hearts and Homes,** Dunlow, West Virginia, June 19–27

**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](http://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](mailto:jbrace@fpc-bethlehem.org).

**Breakfast at New Bethany:** Would you like to join us for breakfast at New Bethany Ministries for breakfast? Members of FPC have been providing a worship service and pancake breakfast for the clients of NBM the last Saturday of each month. We need a few volunteers to help prepare and serve the meal on May 29. If you are able to help, please call Steve Behrens at 610-282-3501.

## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE & CARE

**Last CPR Course until Fall:** Saturday, June 5, 8 a.m.–noon. First come, first served. This will be the last course until the fall. Contact Linda Strayer, [lstrayer@rcn.com](mailto:lstrayer@rcn.com), to register. Study materials will be distributed Sunday, May 16 and May 23.

**Hi Neighbors:** Monday, May 24. For this season's finale, programs 1 & 2 will be combined beginning at 10 a.m.: "Stardust Cabaret," songs by Bob Cohen accompanied by Richard Groman.

### SUPPORT GROUPS

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

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

**Singles Support Group:** Second and fourth Sundays of the month, 11:45 a.m., Parlor.

## THE THREE PRIORITIES AND SIX GOALS OF OUR VISION

A DEEPENING CONNECTION WITH THE LIVING GOD:

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

A DEEPENING INVESTMENT WITH ONE ANOTHER:

- **NEW!** 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:

- **NEW!** 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:

Carole Rose and family for the loss of her mother, Louise Verini; the family of Frances Clark for her loss; Joe Workman and family for the loss of his step-mother, Clarice Workman; Irene Dorville and family for the loss of her brother, David Bolton; Patrick J. Murphy and family for the loss of his wife, Sally.

*If you feel called to a ministry of prayer, please pick up a Prayer Concerns sheet in the literature racks outside the office, the Kirk Center and in the North Link.*

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## FPC Golf Tournament

Please mark your calendars for 1:30 p.m., Saturday, June 12, at Green Pond Country Club in Bethlehem. This is our second annual golf tournament and dinner to support our seven short-term mission trips this year. Registration materials for golf, dinner and sponsorships will be available at the church and on our website. Please contact either Glen Adelsberger, 610-882-0380, or Don Spangler, 610-867-8026.



FPC Bethlehem and Habitat for Humanity are partnering to build a house on Bethlehem's south side. Blitz build dates are June 8–12 and June 15–19. Visit [www.fpc-bethlehem.org/activeoutreach](http://www.fpc-bethlehem.org/activeoutreach) for more info.

## Give the Gift of a Book

For \$30 you can honor someone on your gift list by purchasing a book for the Adult Resource Library in their name. Visit [www.fpc-bethlehem.org/foradults/library](http://www.fpc-bethlehem.org/foradults/library) to find out more. Forms are available in the Adult Resource Library (room 210 in the south wing).

## Computerized Library System Now OK

The technical issues affecting the computerized library system have been resolved, and it now functions properly. Please read and grow!

## “The Will of God as a Way of Life”

Have you often thought about what God's will for you is? Or wondered if you are walking in His plan for you? This book by Gerald L. Sittser, new to our Adult Resource Library, has many insights on this subject as well as many practical pointers to help us walk in the path God has laid out for us.

## 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. Classes on biblically-based financial principles will also be held periodically.

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

## Hospitality Helpers

Would you like to extend a warm welcome and good cheer to your FPC family this summer? The Hospitality Team is looking for people just like you to offer refreshments to our members and visitors over the summer. Refreshments will be offered indoors from 10:45–11:15 a.m. near Fellowship Hall and in the Kirk Center Rotunda from 10–10:45 a.m. (Summer services begin Sunday, June 13.) You get to choose and plan what you like! If you choose to offer coffee, the church will provide the paper products and coffee set-up. Gather your family, friends, K-Group or small-group for just one Sunday this summer! For more info and available dates, please contact Joan Glover, [jlg1738@rcn.com](mailto:jlg1738@rcn.com) or 861-0741.

## Campout on the Front Lawn

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! Invite your family and friends. Bring your tent and anything else you need to spend the night. There'll be grilling, games and fellowship!

\$5 per person or \$15 per family donation is appreciated to cover the cost of beverages, snacks and breakfast. Contact Kari Keyock, 610-509-5193, or Jeff Young, 610-653-7365, for more information, or visit <http://www.fpc-bethlehem.org/forfamilies>.

## Mission Possible Night

Wednesday, May 26 at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. BYOD (Bring Your Own Dessert—to share with others of course).

Come and enjoy food, fellowship and hear Dick and Sheila Dudney—our mission partners in Costa Rica—as they share news about their exciting ministry. For more information, please contact Ken Wycherley, 610-866-5231.

## 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](http://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.

## It's Time to Register for Fall Faith Festival

Join us at this adult retreat at the beautiful Tuscarora Inn along the Delaware from Nov. 1–4. Pastor Alf will teach, and we'll have time for fun, fellowship, and quiet reflection. Register in Fellowship Hall on Sunday mornings or pick up a brochure/registration form in the literature racks. For more info, contact Phyllis Wertman, [pawertman@att.net](mailto:pawertman@att.net), or Bonnie Helper, [hopedbon@ptd.net](mailto:hopedbon@ptd.net).

### WHOLE LIFE STEWARDSHIP

God uses money as a tool to help us grow.

“Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions” (Luke 12:15).

Learn more at [www.fpc-bethlehem.org/wholelifestewardship](http://www.fpc-bethlehem.org/wholelifestewardship).