



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Bethlehem Pennsylvania

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 15 & 16

Preaching: Rev. Alf Halvorson
Scripture: Psalm 145:1-13A

Psalms reading week 3:
Psalms 11-15

OFFICE HOURS:

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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.

———— Sunday, May 9 ————

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

BAPTISMS

8:45 A.M. TRADITIONAL: Camryn Elizabeth Munn, daughter of Alyson (Kienle) and Michael Munn; Izabella Grace Weyrauch, daughter of Elizabeth Marie (Diano) and John Raymond Weyrauch, Jr. Elders: Jan Marsh and Joanne Kelhart.

9 A.M. CONTEMPORARY: Raelyn Dakota Keggan, daughter of Emily Renae (Metz) and Shaun Alan Keggan; Robert Michael Lane, son of Heather Marie Kennedy and Franklin D. Lane; Kyla Grace McCarthy, and Mariella Anne McCarthy, daughters of Chrissy Lynn (Williams) and James John McCarthy III; Dominic Charles Wilson, son of Nadine Nicole Hudacek and Chaz J. Wilson. Elder: Larry Rood

10:15 A.M. TRADITIONAL: Cameron Patrick Gaffrey, son of Amanda Ellen (Hall) and Shaun Patrick Gaffrey; Dylan Matthew Harting, son of Kristen Joy (Barbehenn) and Ryan Harting; Sophia Lynn Renfer, daughter of Tracey Lynn (Atkinson) and John Ralph Renfer. Elders: Gail Farnham and Jim Birdsall

———— Sunday, May 16 ————

HERITAGE SUNDAY

Becoming Part of the Legacy

On this Sunday we acknowledge those members who will share or have shared their life's blessings with generations to come.

———— Saturday, June 5 ————

FRONT LAWN CAMP OUT

3 p.m. Saturday to noon Sunday.
Watch for more details!

———— 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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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.

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.

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. Jan. 31–May 23 in room 420. Email andypanada@rcn.com. **M**

Are You a Leader?: Sundays, May 9, 16, 23, June 4, 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.

TUESDAYS

For Moms Only: Through May 18, 9:30–11:30 a.m. in room F3/F4. Contact Molly Anderson, 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, 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. **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.road@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—June 5: \$12 per child, \$36 family max; regular registration, June 7–July 4: \$15 per child, \$45 family max. Contact Susan, ssmith@fpc-bethlehem.org, ext. 202, or Priscilla, pmoreira@fpc-bethlehem.org, ext. 253, for more info.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

8th Grade Overnight at Camp Brainerd: May 14–15. Cost: \$40. **R**

Middle School Mission Trip: July 11–17, Cosby, Tennessee. Registration deadline: May 16. **R**

HIGH SCHOOL

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

Large Group Fun Activity Night: May 16, 4–6 p.m.; cookout from 6–7 p.m.; mission training meeting 7 p.m.

High School Mission Trip: July 3–10; Rockford, Ill. Registration deadline: May 9. **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 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.

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 to register. Study materials will be distributed Sunday, May 16 and May 23.

Hi Neighbors: Monday, May 10, 10 a.m.: “Piano Entertainment,” by Jim Meck; 11:15 a.m.: “Dutch Springs,” Jason Chartrand.



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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.

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

FPC Members Go to Haiti



From April 22–25 five members from FPC Bethlehem and three members of Lifechurch of Allentown journeyed to Port-au-Prince, Haiti, to see and experience both Lifechurch's ongoing partnership with Rescue Children Orphanage—rescuechildrenorphanage.blogspot.com—as well as the emerging work to establish Lifeclinic, which when open in June, will be a free community medical clinic serving the Santos 19 area of Port-au-Prince. The team was deeply impacted by the experience and is currently praying about and processing the next steps for FPC Bethlehem, hoping to offer those steps to the congregation soon. Please contact Jack Brace, Pastor for Mission & Outreach, if you have questions.

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.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION AS OF 4/30/10

	CURRENT ACTUAL	2009 ACTUAL
YTD Income	\$ 920,457	\$ 845,080
YTD Expenses	\$ 800,047	\$ 755,195
General Fund Balance	\$ 120,410	\$ 89,885

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 (7) 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.

Psalm 23 Sermon Series Available on CD or MP3

Both a CD set (\$10) and MP3 (\$5) of the Psalm 23 sermon series is now available for purchase. Please know which format your player requires before ordering. You can place an order by calling the office or by contacting Jeaniene Eisenberg at 610-428-4607 or jce2@lehigh.edu.

Prayer and Share Together for Emotional Wholeness

Two Christian support groups for Lehigh Valley women: those with loved ones who struggle with emotional issues such as depression, anxiety, bipolar; and those who are afflicted. Both meet Monday, May 10, 7–8:30 p.m. at Ebenezer Bible Fellowship Church, Bethlehem, and Tuesday, May 11, 7–8:30 p.m. at Asbury Methodist Church, Allentown. Topic: New Life Live Psychologist Dr. Henry Cloud CD on depression. Call Linda at 610-395-8756 for 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 to find out more. Forms are available in the Adult Resource Library (room 210 in the south wing).

Receive Email from FPC

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.

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 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 for more info.

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.