



**First Presbyterian Church  
of Metuchen**

Where God's Love Welcomes All



## **FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF METUCHEN**

**February 1, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.**

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

**Our vision is to love God with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength,  
and to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

**Livestreamed on our website and Facebook/FPC Metuchen**

**270 Woodbridge Avenue, Metuchen, NJ 08840**

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**(732) 491-2300**

# GATHERING

## ENTRANCE OF CHRIST'S LIGHT

The McCulley Family

*Candles are lit to represent the presence of Christ, offering a moment to center ourselves to worship.*

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME & TIDINGS

Rev. Dr. Fred G. Garry

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 98 adapted

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song,

**All: For the Lord has done marvelous things.**

Leader: Sing for the fallen now lifted;

**All: Sing for the lost now found;**

Leader: Sing for the imprisoned now freed;

**All: Sing for the broken now healed.**

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song,

**All: For the Lord has done marvelous things.**

### \*HYMN 386 Come, Worship God

O QUANTA QUALIA

### \*OUR PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION – Unison

Rev. Dr. Fred G. Garry

God of steadfast love, hear our confession.

Forgive our lack of devotion:

For neglecting the teachings of Jesus,

For the lack of daily prayer,

For wandering from the habit of worship.

Give us the strength to follow;

Renew our devotion to your word.

God of steadfast love, accept our confession. Amen.

### \*KYRIE

Lord, have mercy up on us.

Christ, have mercy up on us.

Lord, have mercy up on us.

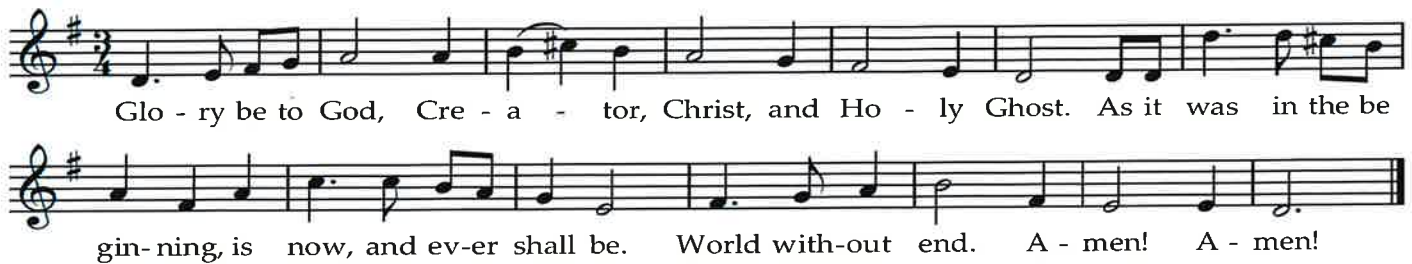
*Written for Third Presbyterian Church, Rochester, NY by Peter DuBois*

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## \*GLORIA



*Written for Third Presbyterian Church, Rochester, NY by James Kealey*

## CHILDREN'S TIME

Melissa McCulley

*Nursery care is available in Room 107. 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and older will exit to the GLOW Room for Mindfulness with Ms. Amy. Pre-K to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade will be in room 108 with Ms. Kat.*

## MOMENT FOR MUSIC

Jordan Klotz

## THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Proverbs 4:1-9

Drew McCulley & Lenny Tjitra

This is the Word of the Lord . . . **Thanks be to God.**

### ANTHEM O Ye That Love the Lord

Senior Choir

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 14:25-33

This is the Word of the Lord . . . **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

"Freedom From Possessions Makes You Better"

The Rev. Dr. Fred. G. Garry

## OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

### SETTLING OF THE WORD

\***HYMN 718** Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said

BOURBON

\***CONFESSION OF FAITH** (Apostle's Creed) – **Unison**

Rev. Dr. Fred G. Garry

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.

## OFFERTORY

**\*DOXOLOGY**

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
 praise God all creatures here below,  
 Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts,  
 Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Rev. Leksmana Leonard

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you . . . **And also with you.**

**\*RESPONSE**

Choir: All:

When they build walls we will build bridge-es, o - pen up a dif-f'rent way, when they  
 close their eyes, we will sing, whe-ther you're a friend or a stran-ger, one  
 world we're travel - in' through, whe - ther you're  
 fear - ful or in dan - ger, peace be with you.

*Written by Penny Stone (adapted)*

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

Rev. Dr. Fred Garry &amp; Rev. Leksmana Leonard

*A gluten-free option is available on the Communion table. Please ask a server for assistance.*

**COMMUNION HYMN 769 For Everyone Born**

FOR EVERYONE BORN

**THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Leader:** The Lord be with you.

**People:** **And also with you.**

**Leader:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**Leader:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**People:** **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Leader:** Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with the choirs of heaven and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**All:** **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION**

**Leader:** Great is the mystery of faith:

**All:** **Christ has died,**

**Christ is risen,**

**Christ will come again.**



## PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors;  
And let us not fall into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever.  
Amen.

Rev. Leksmana Leonard

Bapa kami yang di sorga,  
Dikuduskanlah nama-Mu, datanglah Kerajaan-Mu,  
jadilah kehendak-Mu di bumi seperti di sorga.  
Berikanlah kami pada hari ini makanan kami yang  
secukupnya dan ampunilah kami akan kesalahan kami,  
seperti kami juga mengampuni orang yang bersalah  
kepada kami;  
dan janganlah membawa kami ke dalam pencobaan,  
tetapi lepaskanlah kami dari pada yang jahat.  
Karena engkaulah yang punya Kerajaan, Kuasa dan  
Kemuliaan sampai Se-lamat nya.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION ANTHEM O How Amiable

Senior Choir

Ralph Vaughn Williams

## THE SHARING OF BREAD AND THE CUP

### COMMUNION PRAYER

HYMN 66 Every Time I Feel the Spirit

PENTECOST

### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

Throughout Black History Month, we share reflections on the composers of our choir anthems to honor the rich legacy of Black sacred music, highlighting the contributions of Black composers whose faith and artistry have shaped both the church and the wider musical world.

**Samuel Coleridge-Taylor** (1875-1912) was a British composer of African descent whose choral and orchestral works brought spirituals and traditional African thematic content into classical concert halls. He achieved international fame at a young age, and his compositions were widely performed during his lifetime. His music affirmed the dignity and depth of Black musical traditions while bridging them with European classical forms.

“**O Ye That Love the Lord**” reflects his gift for writing non-idiomatic Black music. Non-idiomatic, as it relates to Black composers, refers to the original concert music that is not part of the traditional idiomatic canon associated with Black musicians, such as spirituals, gospel music, jazz, rap, etc.

*Our greeter this morning is Jen Thompson, and the ushers are Reynolds Shaw,  
Heather Casey, and Maggy Cook.*

*Serving communion are Maggy Cook, Jan Margolis, Kristina Scoglio, and Jen Thompson.*

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given in loving memory of Doris Thomas for her birthday,  
from her daughter Brenda Thomas, and  
in loving memory of her husband Tony, from Linda Amato.*

*We also want to thank last week's flowers given by Merry Matlock, in loving memory of her father, Gustaf  
Aaron Johnson, and from Dawn Adam thankful for her son Michael Kowalczyk on his birthday.*

## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

### Proverbs 4:1-9

Listen, children, to a father's instruction, and be attentive, that you may gain insight, for I give you good precepts: do not forsake my teaching.

When I was a son with my father, tender and my mother's favorite, he taught me and said to me, "Let your heart hold fast my words; keep my commandments and live. Get wisdom; get insight: do not forget nor turn away from the words of my mouth. Do not forsake her, and she will keep you; love her, and she will guard you.

The beginning of wisdom is this: get wisdom, and whatever else you get, get insight. Prize her highly, and she will exalt you; she will honor you if you embrace her. She will place on your head a fair garland; she will bestow on you a beautiful crown."

**SCRIPTURE READER:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Thanks be to God.

## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

### Luke 14:25-33

Now large crowds were traveling with him, and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

**SCRIPTURE READER:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Thanks be to God.

**Amsal 4:1-9**

Dengarkanlah, hai anak-anak, didikan seorang ayah, dan perhatikanlah supaya engkau beroleh pengertian, karena aku memberikan ilmu yang baik kepadamu; janganlah meninggalkan petunjukku.

Karena ketika aku masih tinggal di rumah ayahku sebagai anak, lemah dan sebagai anak tunggal bagi ibuku, aku diajari ayahku, katanya kepadaku: "Biarlah hatimu memegang perkataanku; berpeganglah pada petunjuk-petunjukku, maka engkau akan hidup.

Perolehlah hikmat, perolehlah pengertian, jangan lupa, dan jangan menyimpang dari perkataan mulutku.

Janganlah meninggalkan hikmat itu, maka engkau akan dipeliharanya, kasihilah dia, maka engkau akan dijaganya. Permulaan hikmat ialah: perolehlah hikmat dan dengan segala yang kau peroleh perolehlah pengertian.

Junjunglah dia, maka engkau akan ditinggikannya; engkau akan dijadikan terhormat, apabila engkau memeluknya.

Ia akan mengenakan karangan bunga yang indah di kepalamu, mahkota yang indah akan dikaruniakannya kepadamu."

**SCRIPTURE READER:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Thanks be to God.

**Lukas 14:25-33**

Pada suatu kali banyak orang berduyun-duyun mengikuti Yesus dalam perjalanan Nya. Sambil berpaling Ia berkata kepada mereka: "Jikalau seorang datang kepada-Ku dan ia tidak membenci bapanya, ibunya, isterinya, anak-anaknya, saudara-saudaranya laki-laki atau perempuan, bahkan nyawanya sendiri, ia tidak dapat menjadi murid-Ku. Barangsiapa tidak memikul salibnya dan mengikut Aku, ia tidak dapat menjadi murid-Ku.

Sebab siapakah di antara kamu yang kalau mau mendirikan sebuah menara tidak duduk dahulu membuat anggaran biayanya, kalau-kalau cukup uangnya untuk menyelesaikan pekerjaan itu? Supaya jikalau ia sudah meletakkan dasarnya dan tidak dapat menyelesaikankannya, jangan-jangan semua orang yang melihatnya, mengejek dia, sambil berkata: Orang itu mulai mendirikan, tetapi ia tidak sanggup menyelesaikannya.

Atau, raja manakah yang kalau mau pergi berperang melawan raja lain tidak duduk dahulu untuk mempertimbangkan, apakah dengan sepuluh ribu orang ia sanggup menghadapi lawan yang mendatangnya dengan dua puluh ribu orang? Jikalau tidak, ia akan mengirim utusan selama musuh itu masih jauh untuk menanyakan syarat-syarat perdamaian. 33Demikian pulalah tiap-tiap orang di antara kamu, yang tidak melepaskan dirinya dari segala miliknya, tidak dapat menjadi murid-Ku.

**SCRIPTURE READER:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Thanks be to God.

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# Come, Worship God

(Psalm 95)

1 Come, wor - ship God, who is wor - thy of hon - or;  
 2 Ruled by your might are the heights of the moun - tains;  
 3 We are your peo - ple, the sheep of your pas - ture;  
 4 Now let us lis - ten, for you speak a - mong us;

en - ter God's pres - ence with thanks and a song!  
 held in your hands are the depths of the earth.  
 you are our Mak - er, and to you we pray.  
 o - pen our hearts to re - ceive what you say.

You are the rock of your peo - ple's sal - va - tion  
 Yours is the sea, yours the land, for you made them,  
 Glad - ly we kneel in o - be - dience be - fore you;  
 Peace be to all who re - mem - ber your good - ness,

to whom our ju - bi - lant prais - es be - long.  
 God a - bove all gods, who gave us our birth.  
 great is the one whom we wor - ship this day!  
 trust in your word, and re - joice in your way!

Psalm 95, often called *Venite* from its first word in Latin, has long served as an opening canticle in the worship of Western Christianity. John Calvin found here two reasons to praise God: for sustaining the created world and for adopting the church into a gracious relationship.



# Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said 718

1 Take up your cross, the Sav - ior said, if  
 2 Take up your cross; let not its weight fill  
 3 Take up your cross; heed not the shame, and  
 4 Take up your cross, then, in Christ's strength, and

you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with  
 your weak spir - it with a - larm; Christ's strength shall bear your  
 let your fool - ish pride be still; the Lord for you ac -  
 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -

will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.  
 spir - it up and brace your heart and nerve your arm.  
 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.  
 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.

Written by a nineteen-year-old in Connecticut, this challenging text has been widely printed on both sides of the Atlantic. It is strengthened by its resolute repetition of the same four words at the beginning of each stanza and by the appropriately stark shape note tune.

## 769

## For Everyone Born



1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,  
 2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,  
 3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,  
 4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,  
 5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,  
 re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,  
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,  
 a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,  
 to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,  
 with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,  
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,  
 in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,  
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,

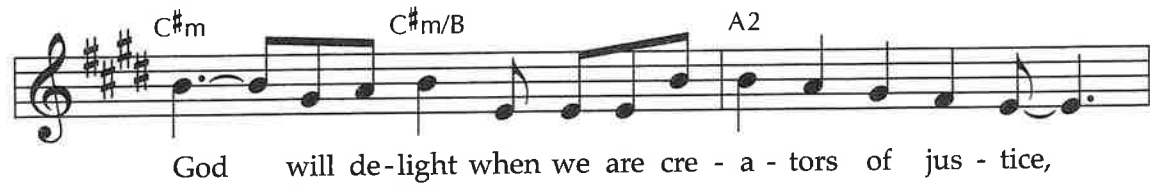
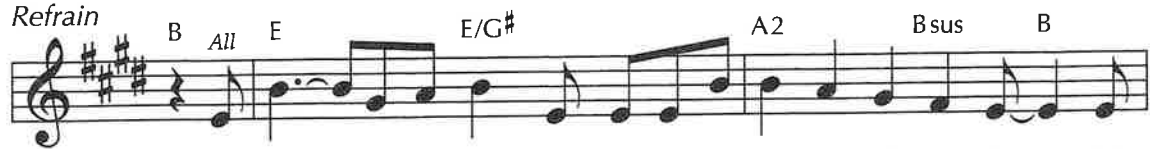


for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,  
 for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,  
 for young and for old, the right to be - long,  
 for just and un - just, a new way to live,  
 for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,

This hymn from a noted New Zealand hymnwriter affirms that God's hospitality transcends the barriers erected by human society and that we who have been created in God's image are called to live in ways that reflect our Creator's values: justice and joy, compassion and peace.

# JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION

## Refrain



# 66 Every Time I Feel the Spirit

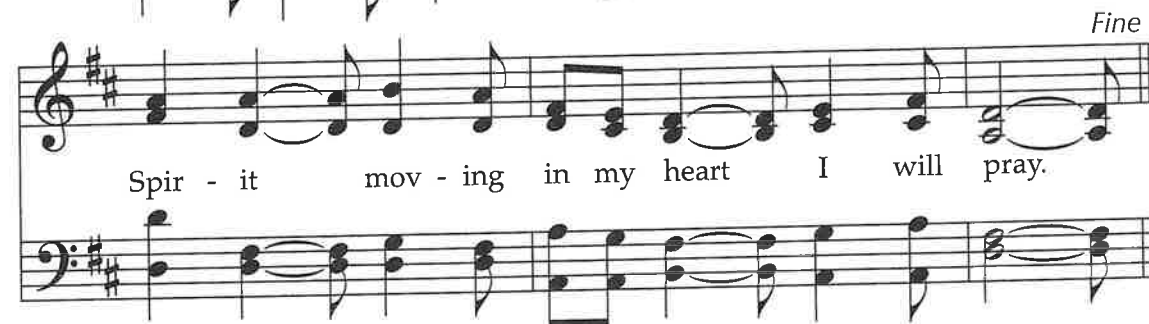
Refrain



Ev - ery time I feel the Spir - it mov - ing in my



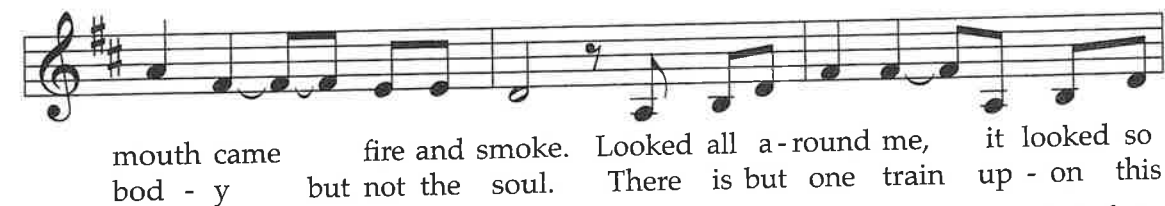
heart I will pray. Yes, ev - ery time I feel the



Spir - it mov - ing in my heart I will pray. *Fine*



1 Up - on the moun - tain, when my Lord spoke, out of God's  
2 Jor - dan Riv - er, chil - ly and cold, it chills the



mouth came fire and smoke. Looked all a - round me, it looked so  
bod - y but not the soul. There is but one train up - on this



fine, till I asked my Lord if all was mine.  
track. It runs to heav - en and then right back. *to Refrain*

Like many African American spirituals, this one mixes the language of biblical narrative with veiled but effective allusions to the hope of escape from slavery, either by crossing rivers into free states or by participating in organized efforts like the Underground Railroad.

TEXT: African American spiritual

MUSIC: African American spiritual; arr. Joseph T. Jones, 20th cent.; adapt. Melva Wilson Costen, 1989

Music Adapt. © 1990 Melva Wilson Costen

PENTECOST  
Irregular

## OUR WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

To be added in the weekly Prayer List, individuals must give permission for their names to be included. CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE – 732-491-2300 to add a person to the prayer list. Persons requested to be on the prayer list will remain for one month, unless requested to keep for a longer period.

Jackson Alcantara (*grandson of Lori Nielsen*)

**\*Lynne Angley**

John Bertelsen and family (*Brother of Amy Bertelsen-Robles*)

Brad (*friend of Ingrid Hammond*)

Pat Byrne (*Sue Harmon's brother-in-law*)

Dorothy Canary (*aunt of Sue Harmon*)

Luis Canton (*Laurie Toth's father*)

Art Cabbage (*father of Laura Draper*)

\*Mary Kay Dangremond

\*Henry and Rita Dengah

Darla Dimatteo

George Doerbecker (*friend of Kristina Scoglio*)

\*Ruth Endicott

Hank Frank, Jr. (*Deb Teall's partner*)

\*Marie Freeman

\*Judy Fuller

Marc Gale (*Marie Gale's husband*)

\*Marie Gale

\*Doris Gulotta

\*Joey Hale (*Son of Matt and Laura Hale*)

\*Margaret Hathaway

Jay and family (*friend of Ingrid Hammond*)

Kalkan/Poandl family

Teresa Prete-Kaltenbach (*friend of the Hajjar family*)

\*Susan Kozo

\*Patricia Lagay

Jetty Mailangkay (*wife of Rev. Herby Moningka*)

Dennis Maiuro (*Colleen Walker's brother-in-law*)

Patricia Maktal (*friend of Messina Family*)

\*Ed Meyer

Elliot Miller (*Larrie Servino's brother*)

Michael Murach (*Kristina Scoglio's cousin*)

Virginia Newton (*Virginia Shaw's mother*)

Jeff Rubin (*friend of June Keehbler*)

\*Dave Ryder

Angela Sampoli (*friend of Dawn Adam*)

Cara Moskal Scacco (*niece of June Young*)

Karen Scoglio (*Kristina Scoglio's mother*)

\*Lorraine Sheaffer

\*Deb Sorensen

Katie Strittmatter (*friend of Kozo-Mollison family*)

Bud Wilson (*friend of Niall Corbalis*)

David Wong

\*Lynn Hendricks Wong

**Names highlighted in boldface were recently added**

\*Members of the church

### PASTORAL CARE:

If you or a family member is in the hospital, please contact Rev. Dr. Fred Garry at (315) 771-3590 or Rev. Khayla Johnson at (843) 312-7288. **Hospitals no longer contact clergy when a parishioner is admitted.** We are more than ready and glad to visit. Please contact us even if it is to pray for you. You can also call the church office (732) 491-2300 during office hours.

### FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

David Garry, Coast Guard Cutter Bear, Philadelphia, PA (*Son of Fred & Kathy Garry*)

MSgt. David Hansen, USAF (*Son of Elaine Hansen*)

MC1 Kevin Leitner, U.S. Navy, San Diego, CA (*Sue Harmon's cousin*)

Lt. Cmdr. Krista Marquard, U.S. Public Health Service, Lawrence, KS (*Bill & Susan Marquard's daughter-in-law*)

Major Matthew McQueeney, Pilot & DO, Mountain Home AFB, Idaho (*Son/Stepson of Amy & Pete Bellisano*)

LT John Alexander Petr, U. S. Navy, San Diego, CA (*Pennix Family friend*)

\*CPT Bradley Shaver, U. S. Army – Ft. Carson, CO (*Brother/Son of Greg and Julie Walton Shaver*)

CPT Julia Harris Switzer, MD USAF (*Granddaughter of Grace Hammesfahr*)

Petty Officer 1<sup>st</sup> Class Mason Weingarten, Coast Guard (*Bill & Susan Marquard's grandnephew*)

## THIS WEEK

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday to Thursday, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm**

**And by appointment for other times**

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Worship Service - Sanctuary and Virtual . . . . . 9:30 a.m.

After Worship Refreshments – Deacons Room . . 10:30 a.m.

Candlelight Concert – Sanctuary . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Horizon Bible Study – PW Lounge . . . . . 6:00 p.m.

DBSA Support Group – Deacons Room . . . . 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Carol Choir – Choir Room . . . . . 4:00 p.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday – GLOW Room . . . . . 4:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Deacons Meeting – Chapel . . . . . 7:30 p.m.

AA Support Group – Deacons Room . . . . . 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Pastoral Bible Study – PW Lounge . . . . . 10:30 a.m.

Westminster Choir – Choir Room . . . . . 6:30 p.m.

Trinity Ringers – Bell Loft . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

Youth Group – Room 201 . . . . . 7:30 p.m.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Concord Ringers – Bell Loft . . . . . 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

Junior Choir – Choir Room . . . . . 4:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Joy Ringers – Bell Loft . . . . . 5:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Junior Club – GLOW Room . . . . . 5:30 - 6:15 p.m.

Covenant Ringers – Bell Loft . . . . . 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Senior Choir – Choir Room . . . . . 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Women's AA Support Grp – Deacons Rm. . . 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.

## COMING SOON

Feb 8 2<sup>nd</sup> Hour: The Psalms – Chapel – 10:30 a.m.

Feb 8 Community Dinner – Dining Room – 4:00 pm

Feb 10 PW Coordinating Team – PW Lounge – 11:00 am

Feb 10 Unicameral Board – Chapel/Zoom – 7:30 pm

Feb 11 Men's Breakfast – Dining Room – 7:30 am

Feb 12 Local Mission -Auditorium – 11:45 am

Feb 12 Mission Commission – PW Lounge – 7:00 pm

Feb 16 Puppeteers' Retreat – GLOW Room – 10:00 am

Feb 18 Ash Wednesday Service – Sanctuary – 7:30 pm

Feb 19 Mom's Night Out – Dining Room – 6:00-8:00 pm

Feb 19 Mission Volunteer Night – Auditorium – 7:00 pm

### TREASURER'S TWO CENTS

Offerings & Gifts Received January 25

Pledge \$ 13,531

Non-pledge \$ 100

Other funds \$ 67

**TOTAL: \$ 13,698**

**OTHER RECEIPTS \$1,110**

**(Building Rental and Parking)**

### HERE ARE WAYS YOU CAN GIVE:

**Direct** Cash or check in the plate are always welcome!

**Online** From our website [fpcweb.org/give](https://fpcweb.org/give), click on the **Give Online** button. This will redirect you to the Vanco app to set up your donation.

**Thank you for your generous support!**

### FULL CHURCH CALENDAR ONLINE:

Scan the QR code or visit our website

<https://bit.ly/4emWby6>



### CHURCH STAFF:

**Senior Pastor/Head of Staff** Rev. Dr. Fred G. Garry

**Associate Pastor** Rev. Khayla Johnson

**Pastor Emeritus** Rev. Robert A. Beringer

**Parish Associate** Rev. Dr. Glory J. Thomas

**Indonesian Pastoral Supply** Rev. Leksmana Leonard

**Director of Music Ministries** Jordan Klotz

**Minister of Music Emeritus** Brenda Arnold Day

**Director for Christian Education** Nancy Leardi



## IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM OUR TREASURER

You may have noticed this year that you have a new envelope number. That was intentional. With more people using our online giving portal, this has cut down the use of pre-printed envelopes. In order to reduce costs, we have scaled down our print order which required us to reassign certain numbers.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to our treasurer, Kevin Trolaro:

By email: ktrolaro@fpcweb.org

Call : (732) 491-2303 (during office hours)

Thank you!



Join us this afternoon as we honor Black History Month with this celebration of African American history through song!

Lebanon Valley College Assistant Professor of Voice, Jonathan Walker-VanKuren, brings African American spirituals into the spotlight through this solo recital, "Songs My Mother Taught Me." Mr. Walker-VanKuren brings to life the stories behind these songs and focuses on their important place in the classical music repertoire.

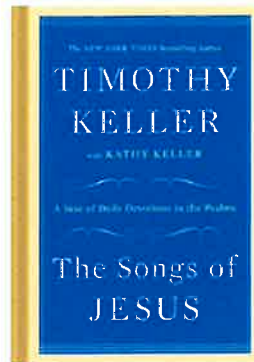
This recital will be in collaboration with Tyler Canonico-Dilley, piano.

Tickets are available by suggested donation.

Adult General Admission: \$ 22

Senior Admission: \$ 15

17 and under: FREE



## 2<sup>nd</sup> HOUR STUDY

### *The Psalms*

Sunday, February 8

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

in the Chapel

New Year's resolutions rarely turn into healthy habits-- instead, let's talk about creating a lasting, fulfilling devotional practice. We will highlight Timothy Keller's collection based on the Psalms, which includes a year's worth of meditations, excerpts from Keller's bestselling books, fresh biblical insights, and more.

Join Helen Burr-Cackowski to begin your journey, or to enjoy lively discussion while adding to your current practice. ***All are very welcome.***



Gear up for game day with food, friends, and fun! This month's community dinner will feature tailgate fare! We are serving dinner an hour earlier, starting at 4:00 pm, so you can be home in time for Superbowl! Please contact our deacons if you are able to volunteer. **Feel free to call the church office for questions:** (732) 491-2300.

# Choir Soup Sale FUNDRAISER

Sunday, Feb. 15  
in the Chapel  
After worship

## Prices:

\$8 / 32 oz  
container

\$15 / 2x 32 oz  
containers

Delicious containers of homemade  
soup! Vegetarian and vegan options  
will be available and the ingredients  
of each soup will be listed.



See any of our choir members to support this fundraiser.

There are many payment options; Cash, credit card, check and PayPal will be accepted.

## PRESBYTERIAN PUPPETEERS



**Calling on all our puppeteers!**

Save the date for puppeteers retreat on:

**February 16**

**10:00 a.m. in the GLOW Room**

**Questions?** See Mrs. Leardi or Ms. Kat.



FPC moms who came to last year's Pour and Paint.

## MOMS NIGHT OUT:

### *Pour and Paint*

**February 19, Thursday**

**6:00 – 8:00 pm**

**Social Center Dining Room**

A fun evening for to fellowship, paint,  
and enjoy some wine and cheese.

(Following FPC policy, this will be a

BYOB event.

If interested, please  
RSVP so we can plan  
for enough supplies.

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