



January 4, 2024

This Week at FPC

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure." Hebrews 6:19

Worship: December 31

"You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand."

Psalm 16:11

Remember, Reflect & Renew Through Christ

Through reflections, Scripture and Christmas carols, our service on Sunday was an opportunity to look to Jesus Christ for...

HOPE through His PROMISE

PEACE through His COMMAND

JOY through His LIFE

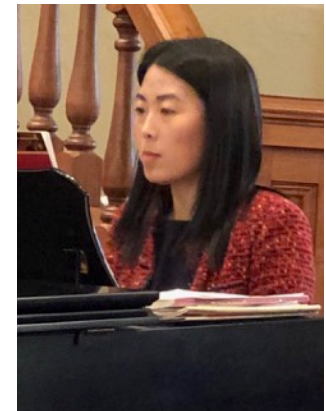
LOVE through His MERCY



A hearty thank you to Cheri Dugan whose beautiful decorations and themed paper goods make fellowship time each Sunday extra special!

Annual Meeting

Mark your calendar for Sunday, January 21 for the Congregational Meeting and Lunch. A sign-up sheet for the lunch will be available in the fellowship hall following the service this Sunday.



Lay Leader: Stacie Schultz; **Readers:** Mark Barnes, Tim Schultz, and Deidra Ricci, who also provided the Children's Message; **Music:** Angel Conwell

Un-Deck the Halls!

Join the fun this Saturday, January 6 to "undecorate" the church at 9 a.m., knowing that many hands make light work!

Buildings and Grounds

More Parking!

The parking lot of the former Dunkin Donuts at the corner of Everett and Broadway is once again available for parking on Sunday mornings.

Handicapped Parking Spots

Now that more parking is available across Everett Street we ask that the spots in the parking lot be reserved for those in our congregation with limited abilities.

Be Involved...

Evensong meets on Sundays at 6 p.m. on Zoom for worship with songs, scripture, and fellowship. If you are interested in attending please email Brian Ross at mm9616b@gmail.com for the link.

Music Notes

Love to sing? Join the choir! The choir meets in the choir loft at 6:30 Wednesday evenings, and Sunday at 10 a.m. to warm up before service. Contact Angel at music@fpcnewport.org for more info.

Sunday Flowers

If you would like to contribute financially to the flowers that beautify our sanctuary each Sunday, please phone or text Emily Holley at 408-668-4977. Emily and Bunny Miller are coordinating the weekly flower arrangements. Flowers can be designated in memory or honor of someone or in celebration of a special event.

Finance and Personnel

Champlin Foundation Grant

The Champlin Foundation has approved a grant in the amount of \$44,100.00 to FPC to contribute to the refurbishment and repair of the Rose Window in 2024. If you would like to contribute to this project, please mark your contribution on your pew envelope or check for the "Rose Window" repair.

Deepest Sympathies

We extend our sympathies to the families of Mary Serapera and Alma Hanson on their recent passings.



Former longtime FPC member Sharon Burke passed away recently in Georgia. Her family has requested that anyone wishing to make a donation in her memory can send it to: Friends of PEB, PO Box 72453, Thorndale, PA 19372 or on-line at www.friendsofpeb.org.



"May the God of peace...equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."

Hebrews 13:20-21

Pray...

...for our church as we rely on our faith in God's plan for all of us and reach out to those around us.

...for our nation and its leaders, for our first responders and for all those who serve our nation in dangerous parts of the world.

...for spoken and unspoken needs in our church family: for health and healing, comfort in grief or hardship, and in praise for answered prayers and God's omnipresence. As you pray, remember these and many others in our church family and beyond.

- Mark Bland (Sean's father)
- Les Bloom
- Janet Champagne
- Lynn Chase
- Marcia Clark
- Becky Farwick and family
- Nadira Ferreira's father John and daughter Melissa
- Bonnie Haun
- Bonnie's brother Mike
- Troy Hutchinson's mother
- Bruce and Jan Jones
- Johnny and Julie Lairsey's granddaughter "B"
- Jamie Landsman
- Ida Lash (Stacie's mom)
- Peggy Leino Hicks
- Ken Scigulinsky
- Rob Silvia
- Lilia Svizzero Merrill and daughter Dana
- Ralph and Alice Thomas
- Roger Ward's mother Shirley and sister Heather



Save the Date!

Back by popular demand is **FPC Game Night!** The first event of 2024 will be on Friday, February 16 at 5:30 p.m. at the church. This is a family-friendly-pizza-packed-fun-fellowship evening. Join us to play or just observe!

Serve...

Sunday Morning Greeters

We're looking to add more friendly faces to our greeter team. Simply arrive 15 minutes early to the worship service to say "Good morning!" and "Welcome!" to all those who come through our doors. Talk to Julie Ward on Sunday mornings, or contact the church office if you're interested.

Nursery Helpers

Our nursery program is starting to grow again and we need a few more volunteers to ensure we can staff the room with two adults every Sunday. Sign up in the nursery room and indicate if you can help with a specific week or if you want to be included on the list of people who'd like to volunteer going forward.

Learn...

Sunday School – 9:15-10:15 a.m.

- Elementary school age students meet in the sanctuary to sing, then have a lesson with Cindy Wilson in the room off the nursery.
- Middle Schoolers meet with Dave Kolator in the Resource Room for a study on John.
- Adults are continuing through the Psalms with sessions led by Sean Bland and Chip Wilson.



The **Women's Bible Study** meets in person on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. in the Hometime Room or on Thursdays at 2 p.m. on Zoom (resuming 1/11).



Have news to share?

Send it to secretary@fpcnewport.org. Include dates, times, details, and contact information.



When you can't be at church, view our livestream worship service through Facebook or our web site, fpcnewport.org. Be sure to subscribe for easier access. This QR code will take you directly to our website.

THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Thursday, January 4

9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Church office open

Saturday, January 6

7 a.m. Promise Keepers breakfast

9 a.m. "Undecorate" the church

Sunday, January 7

9:15 a.m. Sunday School

10 a.m. Pre-worship Prayer

10:30 a.m. Worship service

(nursery care available)

11:30 a.m. Fellowship time

6:00 p.m. Evensong

Monday, January 8

6:00 p.m. Buildings & Grounds committee

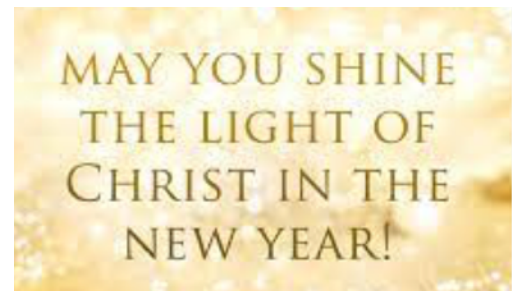
7:00 p.m. 20s & 30s Small Group

Tuesday, January 9

10 a.m. Women's Bible Study (at FPC)

Wednesday, January 10

6:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal



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Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School 9:15 a.m.

