

First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia



CELEBRATION!

November 11, 2018

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Baron Mullis

Opening Acclamation

Open our lips, O Lord,
And our mouths shall proclaim your praise!

*Song (insert)

For the Fruit of All Creation

*Prayer

The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Prayer for Illumination

Shine in our hearts the pur-est light of your e - ter - nal word; o -
pen our eyes to com-pre-hend the mes-sage of our Lord. A - men.

Seeing and Touching the Word

Reading the Word of God

Mark 12:38-44

Eleanor Young

***The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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 the life everlasting. Amen.**

Moving First Forward**Litany of Dedication**

From the abundance of creation, O LORD, we have all that we need.

We now commit our lives to love you, to serve you, and to follow you.

You have loved us into being as The First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia.

And you have shepherded this congregation faithfully for centuries.

With gratitude for your grace, mercy, and kindness toward us,

We offer our pledges as tokens of thanksgiving, asking for your blessing as we grow in gratitude, remembering your abiding faithfulness to us.

Offering

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise God, all crea-tures here be - low; praise
God a - bove, ye heav'n-ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

The Lord's Supper

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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 lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,

and the glory forever. Amen.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Let us keep the feast!

Prayer after Communion

God, who takes care of each one of us,

thank you for feeding us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation;

Now send us out into the world to tell everyone about your love.

Amen.

*Closing Song (insert)

Guide My Feet

Benediction and Going Forth

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia!

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church!

We are delighted to have you here with us for the Celebration service of worship! The pastors are always happy to answer any questions you might have, but here is some information we think you may find helpful:

- Please sign in using the clipboard and attached sheet in the Beadle Room (across from the kitchen). If we don't have your contact info, please leave us an e-mail address or other contact information.
- If you need an envelope for your offering (in order to get credit towards your pledge), there will be some on the same table as the clipboard. Just write your name on the envelope, and put it in the collection baskets when the children come around. Using multiple small bills to give to the different kids? Just put your name and your weekly total on a piece of paper, and put it in the basket as well so that the finance office will be aware.
- Parking passes are available outside the church office window in the main hallway.
- If you or someone in your family needs gluten-free bread for communion, let us know and we'll make sure it's provided regularly.

Twenties & Thirties - (A New Name!)

The Young Adults are now the Twenties and Thirties, or T&T. It's the same group with a new name! This Wednesday, November 14th, at 7:30 p.m., we will gather at First Church for fellowship and discussion. For more information on the Twenties & Thirties (T&T) Group contact Annie LeCluyse (youngadults@fpcphila.org), and join the Young Adult fellowship group on Facebook.

Congregational Meeting Today

The Session has called for a meeting of the congregation today, immediately following the 11 am worship service, for the purpose of acting on recommendations about future capital improvements to the building and financing recommendations. We must also vote as a congregation to officially dissolve the pastoral relationship between Rev. Jesse Garner and First Church. Please plan to attend.

fpcQ Brunch - Today

fpcQ (our LGBTQ+ fellowship group) will gather for brunch following the 11 a.m. service this Sunday, November 11th. We'll meet in Old Buttonwood Hall during the fellowship hour and walk together.

Calling All Women of First Church! - Nov. 16

Celebrate with us at the Women's Intergenerational Potluck Dinner on Friday, November 16th @ 6 p.m. Come and bring a female family member or friend if you wish. RSVP by 11/09 to womenwitwisdom@fpcphila.org or to Diane Rogers at 609-980-5421. The email you received will let you know what to bring. If you didn't receive an email, sign up on the bulletin board outside of the church office. On-street parking is available with placard.

Casserole Blitz! - Nov. 17

Our final casserole blitz of the year will be held at 8:30 a.m. next Saturday, November 17th, in the church kitchen (enter through the 21st Street door). As always, these casseroles will be used to feed those in need through the University City Hospitality Coalition. We have a lot of fun, enjoying coffee, doughnuts and fellowship, and leave knowing we've accomplished something good for our community. Please contact Beverly Cowart (missions@fpcphila.org).

Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration - Nov. 20

On Tuesday, November 20th, at 7 p.m. join neighborhood and faith communities as well as the Bethesda Project for Thanksgiving in Action, an interfaith Thanksgiving celebration to address homelessness at the Church of the Holy Trinity, 1904 Walnut Street (Rittenhouse Square).

There will be a free-will offering to benefit Bethesda Project programs.