

# First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia



## CELEBRATION!

January 14, 2018

Welcome

Rev. Jesse Garner

Opening Acclamation

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

\*Song (insert)

**Be Thou My Vision**

\*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

**\*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.**

**Offering**



1. For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
2. In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.



For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.  
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
In the world-wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.

## 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.**

## Benediction and Going Forth

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**In the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia!**

\*Closing Song (insert)

**You Shall Go Out with Joy**

**Christian Education**

Sunday school for children (ages 5 and up) is held on Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in the Cochran Room. A Bible study of each Sunday's lectionary texts is led by Rev. Jesse Garner in the MacColl Room at 9:45 a.m.

**Church Office Closed this Monday**

The church office will be closed tomorrow, January 15th, for the Martin Luther King holiday. Reading Buddies will not be held.

**Young Adult Group**

The Young Adults will break from normal programming this Wednesday, January 17th, to attend the presentation by Stand with Iraqi Christians. Join us at First Church at 7:00 p.m. (note the time difference). For more information on the Young Adult Group contact Annie LeCluyse ([youngadults@fpcphila.org](mailto:youngadults@fpcphila.org)), and join the Young Adult fellowship group on Facebook.

**Stand with Iraqi Christians**

On Wednesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m., members of Stand With Iraqi Christians will speak in our church about their work with St. George's Church in Baghdad to expand their kindergarten program into a full elementary school for students through sixth grade. Please come and hear their message of hope. H'ors d'ouvres will be provided.

**We're So Glad You're Here! - A Welcome Reception**

The Membership & Evangelism Committee is sponsoring a special event in Old Buttonwood Hall to welcome many of the new faces in our midst. If you are a visitor, a friend, a potential new member, or someone who has joined within the last year, we invite you to come for an informal reception this Thursday, January 19th, from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Feel free to drop in when you can and stay as long as you wish! If you plan to attend, please email the church office ([office@fpcphila.org](mailto:office@fpcphila.org)).

**Moving First Forward Pledge Update**

To date we have received 116 pledges for a total of \$407,000 for 2018 Annual Giving. We are still short of our budgeted goal of \$475,000. If you have not yet submitted your pledge for 2018, please complete a pledge card, available in the church office. You can also pledge online at [fpcphila.org/moving-first-forward/](http://fpcphila.org/moving-first-forward/). Help us reach our goal for the Future at First!