

First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia



CELEBRATION!

September 2, 2018

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Baron Mullis

Opening Acclamation

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

*Song (insert)

All Things Bright and Beautiful

*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

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) **I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me**

Benediction and Going Forth

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the power of the Holy Spirit. Alleluia!

Young Adult Group

This Wednesday, September 5th, at 7:30 p.m., we will gather at First Church for fellowship and discussion. Next Sunday, September 9th, after the 11 o'clock service, join us for our monthly brunch at the Irish Pub. For more information on the Young Adult Group contact Annie LeCluyse (youngadults@fpcphila.org), and join the Young Adult fellowship group on Facebook.

Sidewalk Repairs

Sidewalk repairs are ongoing. This week the work will limit access to the church entrance on 21st Street. Access on Walnut Street and on Chancellor Street will NOT be affected, and should be used for Sunday worship services. For access to the church during the week, please use the ADA accessible entrance on Chancellor Street. Changes to accessibility will be posted as repairs progress. Thank you for your patience.

Welcome Brunch! - Sep. 16

The Deacons invite everyone to our annual Welcome Brunch on Sunday, September 16th, at 10 a.m. The brunch is being held this year in Old Buttonwood Hall, between our 9 a.m. Celebration! service and our 11 a.m. traditional service. Come and get to know First Church worshippers from both services and to enjoy fellowship with friends old and new! All are welcome--new members, visitors, returning members, and friends. Please join us!

Concerts@First - Sep. 16

Please join us on Sunday, September 16th, at 3 p.m. for the first concert of our 2018-19 Concerts@First season. We will welcome San Francisco based organist Angela Kraft Cross. Mrs. Cross will be performing Charles-Marie Widor's complete Symphony No. 7 in anticipation of the composer's 175th birthday in 2019. The concert is free and open to all.

Moving First Forward Update

A gift to First Church helps to support a broad range of ministries here at 21st & Walnut, throughout the city of Philadelphia, and beyond. We are grateful for your faithful generosity.

The following is an Annual Giving update through July 2018:



Average weekly attendance July 2018 (9 a.m. & 11 a.m.)	145
Budgeted giving through July	\$217,748
Total giving through July	\$243,665