

First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia



CELEBRATION!

February 4, 2018

Welcome

Rev. Jesse Garner

Opening Acclamation

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

*Song (insert)

Morning Has Broken

*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)

Know That God is Good

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.

Young Adult Group

Join us TODAY for Young Adult First Sunday Brunch after the 11 o'clock service. Meet in Old Buttonwood Hall after worship and we'll walk to the Irish Pub together to enjoy good food and fellowship. This Wednesday, February 7th, at 7:30 p.m. we will gather at First Church (enter on the 21st Street side) for discussion-based fellowship. Saturday, February 10th we're going Ice Skating at Penn's Landing at 7:00 p.m. For more information on the Young Adult Group or to RSVP for Ice Skating contact Annie LeCluyse (youngadults@fpcphila.org), and join the Young Adult fellowship group on Facebook.

Shrove Sunday Pancake Brunch

Join us after our Celebration service next Sunday, February 11th, for a "Shrove Sunday" Pancake Brunch, as we mark the last Sunday before Lent with a new take on an old tradition. All are welcome! We'll start around 9:45 a.m.

Annual Meeting

The Session has set Sunday, February 11, as the date of our Annual Meeting. It will be held in Old Buttonwood Hall at noon, following the 11 am service. A light lunch will be served. The congregation will receive the 2017 Annual Report and hear and act on the recommendations of the Nominating Committee to elect officers and members of the church's Nominating Committee for 2018. If you cannot make this meeting, copies of the 2017 Annual Report will be distributed that Sunday after our Celebration service.

Entry Into Lent - Ash Wednesday

On Ash Wednesday, February 14, all are invited to a special time of silence, guided reflection, a simple meal, and worship. It will begin at 5 p.m. in the sanctuary with guided reflection and meditation, followed by a simple meal in Old Buttonwood Hall at 6:15. Choral Evensong service with imposition of ashes begins at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Let's Make Casseroles!

The Missions committee is looking for volunteers for our quarterly casserole blitz to make casseroles to feed those in need through the University City Hospitality Coalition. Join us in the First Church kitchen between 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 17th (enter through the 21st Street door). We have a lot of fun, enjoying coffee, doughnuts, and fellowship—and leave knowing we've accomplished something good for our community. If interested, please contact Beverly Cowart at missions@fpcphila.org or 215-382-4315.