

First Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia



CELEBRATION!

November 4, 2018

Welcome

Rev. Megan LeCluyse

Opening Acclamation

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

*Song (insert) **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee**

*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 12:28-34

Doug Boyd

*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

Dan & Anna Mellinger

Offering

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures 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)

The Lord Now Sends Us Forth

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! Today, after the 11 o'clock service, join us for our monthly brunch at the Irish Pub. We'll meet in Old Buttonwood Hall following the service. This Wednesday, November 7th, 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.

Nominations for Church Officers - Last Day Today

Today is the last day to submit recommendations for the church officers for the boards of Session, Deacons, and Trustees. Please make recommendations by completing the bulletin insert and placing it in the "Nominations" box located in Old Buttonwood Hall.

Congregational Meetings

Today at 10 a.m., members of the Session will be available to answer questions about FAMP implementation and financing. The Session has called for a meeting of the congregation next Sunday, November 11th, 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. Information about the facilities improvement and financing options can be found on our website (www.fpcphila.org/famp).

Missions Fair - Today

The Missions Committee is sponsoring a Missions Fair following the 11 a.m. worship service. Eight or nine of the ministries and non-profits we support through your generous donations will be available to talk to you about the work they do and volunteer opportunities they have to offer. Please take this opportunity to get to know our missions work better!

fpcQ Brunch - Nov. 11

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

Calling All Women of First Church!

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.