



FIRST PRESS

Sunday, July 26th, 2020



SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR OUR SUMMER HYMN SINGS

Summer hymn sings have always been very popular at First Presbyterian. Each week members of the congregation eagerly call out the number of their favorite hymn. Well - this summer we shall once again seek your hymn favorites for Sunday morning worship. Submit your hymn request through the church website. Click on this link to see a full-listing of hymns in GLORY TO GOD: <https://hymnary.org/hymnal/GG2013?page=1>

Do you like to hold a hymnal when you sing during worship? Do you enjoy reading hymn texts for prayer and inspiration? Do you enjoy playing hymns on your piano or keyboard? Call the church office (973-228-0310) and we will make arrangements to bring a hymnal to you as a loan during this time of livestream worship.

WORDS TO PONDER FROM STEPHEN MINISTRY



“One must maintain a little bit of summer, even in the midst of winter.”
Henry David Thoreau

To find out more about this caring, listening, confidential ministry call the confidential line at 973-228-0310 ext. 235, or speak to one of our pastors.

My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you.



All FPC families are invited to join us on the church lawn for a movie night on Thursday, July 30th at 8:00PM. We will be watching Coco! In case of rain, we will hold the event on Thursday, August 6th at 8:00PM.

Families will sit together in a designated area at least six feet apart from all other groups. Masks must be worn at all times. Pre-registration is required as we only have room for a limited number of families. Upon arrival, a church staff member will collect information related to potential exposure to COVID-19 and temperatures will be taken. The church building will be closed; therefore, bathrooms are not available. Please bring your own blanket or lawn chair! No eating during the event.

NEW OFFERING FROM ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

**Join our new ZOOM Bible study “Anxious for Nothing”
by Max Lucado, starting the first week of August.**

Our premier offering is the 5 week Bible study “Anxious for Nothing” by the seasoned Christian author, Max Lucado. It seems a particularly relevant study for the current situation that most, if not all of us, are facing in these uncertain and unsettling times. People have varying schedules, therefore, we are providing this study at two separate times.

Tuesday mornings from 10 to 11:30 – starting August 4th

Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 – starting August 5th

The Adult Education committee is offering to pay for this study which includes the study guide and an online link to the study video.

Deadlines:

July 30th (if you choose Kindle version, [this is the only option currently available](#))

Please respond directly to Adult.edu@firstprescaldwell.org including:

Tues am or Wed pm preference, Name, Address, Email, Phone #

"Encounters With..."

YOUTH
Online Devotions

WEDNESDAYS *beginning August 5th
grades 6-12*

2:00PM

Led by Rev. Katherine Scott-Kirschner
from the Presbyterian Church of Upper Montclair

EMAIL: YOUTHMINISTRY@FIRSTPRESCALDWELL.ORG TO SIGN UP

NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH **"Encounters with....."**

All incoming middle school and high school students are invited to join us each week as we take a look at what it might mean to have an encounter with God. Guest speakers will record videos telling the tales of their encounters with God and with Christianity, and what it has meant for their lives. Each Wednesday at 2:00PM, Rev. Katherine Scott-Kirschner from the Presbyterian Church of Upper Montclair, will help us dive into the stories to see what kind of lessons can be learned, and how to look for "Encounters " in our own lives.

Videos will be posted each Sunday for you to watch at your convenience, after which a Zoom link will be sent out for the discussions on Wednesday. We will meet virtually each Wednesday from August 5th to September 2nd. Please email youthministry@firstprescaldwell.org to sign up. We look forward to seeing you!

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Submit a prayer request at
www.firstprescaldwell.org/prayer-request

GIVE ONLINE

One of the implications of suspending public worship is that our regular offering isn't being collected. As it is essential to pay our staff and meet our current obligations, we ask if you are able, please mail your offering to the church or submit your offering online at <https://www.firstprescaldwell.org/donate/>. Knowing that our income could be impacted, we invite those with extra resources to consider making a special gift.

DONATE TO THE CALDWELL FOOD PANTRY

The Caldwell Food Pantry (14 Park Avenue) is in need of food donations. The pantry is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:30am - 4:30pm and food may be dropped off in the foyer. Additionally, we are collecting monetary donations to be sent to The Caldwell Food Pantry. You may submit your donation online at <https://www.firstprescaldwell.org/donate/>. You may also mail your donation with Caldwell Food Pantry in the memo.

OUR STAFF

Rev. Bil Schram, Interim Pastor/Head of Staff

Rev. Barbara Jo Piercy, *Minister of Music*

Noel Piercy, *Associate Director of Music*

Kaitlyn Heun, *Interim Director Youth Ministries*

Susan Jones, *Interim Director Children's Ministry*

Scott Westenberger, *Worship Leader*

Lauren Restaino, *Youth Ministry &*

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Christine Brunner, *Office Manager*

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Jennifer Garcia, *Administrative Assistant*

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Kathleen Carlson, *Director*

Weekday Nursery School - 973-226-6674

<http://www.firstpresnurseryschool.com>

David Hicoek, *Superintendent*

Prospect Hill Cemetery - 973-228-4410

prospecthillcemetery@firstprescaldwell.org

Dr. Robert R. McGruther, *Pastor Emeritus*

Rev. Robert Pryor, *Parish Associate*

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, July 26th

9:30 AM Worship Service, Facebook Livestream

10:30 AM Virtual Coffee Hour, Zoom Meeting

11:00 AM Illuminate Service, Facebook Livestream

TUESDAY, July 28th

9:30 AM Staff Meeting, Zoom Meeting

SUNDAY, August 2nd

9:30 AM Worship Service, Facebook Livestream

10:30 AM Virtual Coffee Hour, Zoom Meeting

11:00 AM Illuminate Service, Facebook Livestream