

First Presbyterian Church
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November 24, 2024

Christ the King/Reign of Christ

10:00 AM

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

* = Please stand in body or in spirit

WELCOME! We are glad you can join us for worship here and online.

Visitors, please sign the guest book located in the narthex. Prayer request cards are available in the racks within each pew. Please **remember to turn off all devices as we turn towards God.**

GREETINGS TO THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

PRELUDE

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

PRAYER OF ADORATION: (In unison)

~ posted on the Ministry Matters website

Come, let us celebrate the wondrous gifts that God has given us. Throughout all our lives, God has blessed us with love and hope. Praise be to God who provides for us.

May our hearts be truly grateful, and may we show our gratitude by the ways in which we live and care for others. Amen.

CHORAL INTROIT

"In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful"

Jacques Berthier

* CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively)

~ posted on Arthur Rank Centre Harvest Festival Resources 2010

One: God of life and love, we rejoice in your abundant gifts.

All: God of all peoples and all places, we celebrate your generosity and grace.

One: God of the earth and the heavens, we praise you for your provision.

All: God of life and love, we bless your holy name

* HYMN # Blue 422

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Robert L. Edwards

INVITATION TO SEEK GOD'S GRACE

PRAYER SEEKING GOD'S GRACE (In unison)

Ann Weems

O Lord, forgive our fears that so stifle our stewardship. Forgive our giving in and our giving up instead of giving ourselves to Christ's mission of love. Remind us that our hope is in the standing up and risking, in taking our stewardship seriously. Help us to remember, O Lord, that the stewardship question is not really: How much will we give? The stewardship question is: How will we spend what we have been given? We pray it will be faithfully and cheerfully.

SILENT REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In unison)

Eternal God, in the reading of Scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditation of our hearts, may your Word be known; in the faithfulness of our lives, may your will be done. Amen.

LAY READER – Martel Roberts is a Boonton resident along with her husband John, and their children, James and Amanda. Martel and John joined our congregation in 1998. Martel has served as a Co-advisor of the ROCK youth group, as a member of the PNC and is an ordained Elder who has served on the Fellowship and Memorials Committees and on the Scholarship subcommittee and is currently a Deacon. She works as a Business Education teacher at Randolph High School.

CHANCEL FLOWERS

are given to the glory of God by Lois Merrit in memory of Loved Ones.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 24 – November 30 ~ *Christ the King/Reign of Christ*

Sunday	Handbells in Church
	8:30 am Handbell rehearsal
	9:15 am Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary and online)
	11:00 am Coffee Hour (Library)
	11:30 am Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
	2:00 pm Eagle Award Ceremony (Sanctuary and Reighart)
	7:00 pm AA (Reighart Hall)
Monday	11:00 am Dover Faith Kitchen offsite
	7:30 pm NA - Lost and Found Group (Reighart Hall)
Tuesday	4:30 pm NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
Wednesday	3:00 pm Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	4:00 pm Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
Thursday	Thanksgiving – Office Closed Thursday and Friday
Saturday	8:00 am Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	9:00 am Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

December 1 – December 7 ~ *First Sunday of Advent*

Sunday	9:15 am Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	10:00 am Worship (Sanctuary and online)
	11:00 am Coffee Hour (Library)
	7:00 pm AA (Reighart Hall)
Monday	6:30 pm NA PIC Meeting (Reighart Hall)
	7:30 pm NA - Lost and Found Group (Reighart Hall)
Tuesday	10:30am Prayer Group (Library)
	4:30 pm NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
	6:30 pm Deacons (Library)
Wednesday	3:00 pm Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	4:00 pm Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
	6:00 pm Cub Scouts (Reighart Hall)
Thursday	6:30 pm Handbell Choir (Sanctuary)
Friday	7:15 pm PW Movie Night (Library)
Saturday	8:00 am Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	9:00 am Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
	Various Choir and Handbell rehearsal – see schedule

*The calendar can also be found on our website under news and events

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of Boonton
We are glad you are worshipping with us today!

Mission Outreach:

MISSIONS: We are always accepting Mission Donations through Breeze or they can be mailed to or dropped off at the office.

ANGEL TREE – FPCB partners with Boonton Social Svcs. annually to provide holiday gifts to people in need in our community. Gift tags will be hanging from a Christmas Tree in our church. All gifts due back by 5pm, **Dec. 11th**. Questions? contact Martel Roberts at martelroberts@gmail.com

MEAL TRAIN: is an opportunity to provide a meal for a person or a family in their time of need. Please email Martel Roberts at martelroberts@gmail.com or call or text 973-216-0787 if you would like to volunteer to provide a meal or if you are in need of a meal.

Worship:

WORSHIP FLOWERS NEEDED You can sign up on the chart by the Sanctuary doors. One or both of these arrangements are delivered to the sick and homebound each week and bring connection and cheer. The office will contact you regarding the \$40 flower donation and bulletin dedication.

HEARING AIDS/RECEIVERS – We have hearing aid receivers available during the worship service. Please ask an usher if you would like to use one. **PEW PILLOWS** – are available during worship for those of you who would like additional back support. Feel free to pick one up or have an usher bring one to you!

Fellowship:

COFFEE HOUR – is hosted today by Congregational Life. Please join us in the library for this time of fellowship. *Please consider **sponsoring or hosting** coffee hour. You can sign up on the board next to the office (or consider donating to the jar in the library).

PRAYER GROUP – Will meet Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 10:30 am, in the church library. All are welcome.

ADVENT BIBLE STUDY: The Angels of Christmas beginning Wednesday, **Dec. 4 at 10:30am** in the library. All are welcome.

SAVE THE DATES:

Mon. Nov. 25th Dover Faith Kitchen – contact Deb Stora if you'd like to volunteer 201-602-9567

Fri. Dec. 6th PW Movie Night 7:15pm movie Journey to Bethlehem starts promptly at 7:30pm

Sun. Dec. 8th Handbells in Worship

Tue. Dec. 10th Women's Luncheon at Marilyn's

Wed. Dec. 11th Angel Tree Tags due

Fri. Dec. 13th Hanging of the Greens at 630 pm

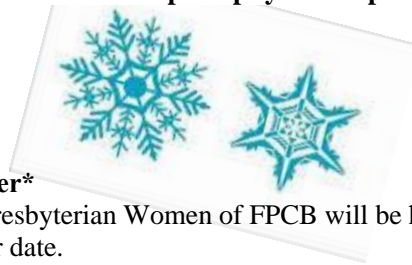
Sun. Dec. 15th Cantata in Worship.

Sun. Dec. 15th after Cantata – "Snowflakes" Christmas Dinner*

Sun. Dec. 22nd Cookie Sale - Just in time for Christmas, the Presbyterian Women of FPCB will be hosting a cookie sale-immediately after service. Additional details to follow at a later date.

Tues. Dec. 24th Christmas Eve. Service 9pm

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON – **Tue. Dec. 10th at noon** at the home of Marilyn Ward, 108 Ely Rd. Boonton. Sign up at coffee hour or contact me at marilynaward@msn.com or call/text at 973 800-9810. When you sign up, please indicate if you will be bringing a salad, main dish or dessert.



***CHRISTMAS DINNER** - FPCB members, friends, and families, are invited to join us for our annual Christmas Dinner, following the Cantata, **Dec. 15th** in Reighart Hall. This year's theme is "Snowflakes"— no two are alike, just like us, but we are all special! Dinner will include: beef stew/egg noodles, chicken pot pie, vegetable, salad and rolls, dessert and beverage. Tickets will be sold Sunday November 10th through Sunday December 8th during coffee hour. Tickets are \$20/person, children under 12 eat free. You may pay by cash, check or through Breeze. Any questions, please contact Kim Robbins or Trish Herrera.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS - Order a plant in memory/honor of a loved one. Please use the envelopes provided in the pews or donate through Breeze (use the dropdown menu and indicate loved one's name in the comments box) After the Candlelight service on Christmas Eve, you may take the poinsettia with you, or ask a Deacon to deliver it to a homebound member. Donations: \$10/plant. Last day to make a donation: Dec. 15th.