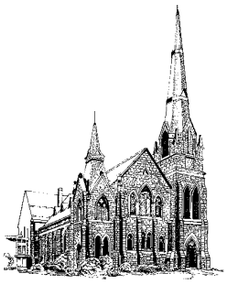

FIRST PRESS

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WELCOME VISITORS!

We are glad you have chosen to worship here today! Please come again!

***Nursery care is provided for children up to 24 months in our Cradle Room during the 10:00AM Worship Service**. There is Christian Education during the 10:00AM Worship Service. The Cradle Room and Rest Rooms are located through the door to the left of the pulpit then left down the hallway.*

For more information about our church, please visit our website: www.firstprescaldwell.org. An information packet is available at the rear of the sanctuary and an Usher or one of the Greeters that you met as you came in will be glad to provide you with more information.

You are respectfully requested to turn off all pagers and cell phones. Our church is equipped with a hearing assistance system. Please ask the usher for a receiver.

GREETERS THIS MORNING ARE:

10:00AM
Westville Ave - Nancy McCarthy
Bloomfield Ave - Rachel Capizzi

DEACON ON DUTY THIS WEEK

Barb Bruchac - 973-454-5583

AFTER THE 10:00AM SERVICE

Join Teresa Akersten for coffee in Room 120

5KClub

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 5K CLUB

Join the 5K Club and the Westminster Choir
as we change lives in our community
by signing up for this walk.

Out of the Darkness Suicide Prevention Walk
TODAY at 1:30PM
Verona Park, Bloomfield Ave. & Lakeside Ave., Verona
Cost: Donation
Consider donating to Vanya's Voice!
https://afsp.donordrive.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.event&eventID=4896

Stars and Stripes 5K
When: Saturday November 4, 2017
Time: 9:00 AM
Where: George Washington Middle School
68 Lenox Rd, Wayne, NJ
Cost: $25

Please join us to raise support and awareness for the members of America's Armed Forces by running or walking the STARS & Stripes 5K.All proceeds are donated to the Semper Fi Fund which supports critically wounded or injured members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families with financial assistance and the recovery process as they transition into their communities.
https://runsignup.com/Race/NJ/Wayne/GWSTARSStripes5K

LAST CHANCE FOR THE DEACONS' WINTER COAT & SWEATER DRIVE

Today is the last day to bring your clean, gently used winter coats and sweaters for the semi-annual Deacons' Coat & Sweater Drive. The Deacons are partnering with St. John's Soup Kitchen in Newark as the beneficiaries of this drive and any **warm coats and sweaters** will be greatly appreciated.

FALL BLOOD DRIVE IS TUESDAY

The Deacons' Fall blood drive has been scheduled for **Tuesday, October 24th** from 3:00PM – 8:00PM**.** People in good health are eligible to donate. Blood donors must be 17 years of age or older. There are no upper age limits provided all health requirements are met. ***Remember, you must wait 8 weeks between blood donations.*** Plan to come and support this important life-saving effort.

If you like to bake … but don't like the calories, then you can donate your yummy cookies or bars to the Deacons for this important mission. The donors will be most appreciative.

USHERS NEEDED

A great way to serve the church and meet new people is to be an usher at one of our Sunday Worship Services. Men, Women and Teens are all invited to contact our Head Usher, Rich Hauser at 973-226-1647 or rahauser8@comcast.net to volunteer or to ask questions. Ushers serve only one Sunday per month in this is a very important ministry of our church.

Call Rich if you can help out!!

CALLING ALL 2 1/2-YEAR-OLDS!

We are accepting registrations for our 2 1/2-year-old January Class. This class introduces young children to school. The curriculum is designed for learning through play, making new friends and loving school! The class meets on Monday and Tuesday mornings starting January 8th. Please contact Kathleen Carlson at 973-226-6674 for more information and to schedule a tour.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON FOR NOVEMBER

Mark your calendars for **Thursday, November 2nd at 12:00 Noon** in Room 120 for the Women's Fellowship Luncheon. All women of the church are invited for a delicious turkey dinner and a wonderful program**.** Reservations are a must and can be made by calling the church office at 973-228-0310 by Monday, October 30th. Tickets for this event are only $10.00. ***If you can, please bring a non-perishable food item to donate to the Caldwell Food Pantry.***

LADIES NIGHT OUT PAINT NIGHT

DATE: Friday November 3rd
TIME: 7:00PM
WHERE: Room 120
COST: $40.00
PARTICIPANTS: 21 Years and older

Sign up online or in the church office. For more information contact: Bonnie Chiappetta by email blchgp@aol.com or phone: 609-339-9800.

BROADWAY COMES TO CALDWELL

Join us on **Sunday, November 26th at 7:30PM** as we once again enjoy the talents of Broadway performers here in our sanctuary. This year will feature: Richard Todd Adams, Carter Calvert, Rita Harvey, Danny Zolli with Neil Berg, Pianist & Music Director, Roger Cohen, Drums/Percussion and Bill Reiner, Sound & Lights. Tickets are $15 in advance from the church office or online at www.firstprescaldwell.org. Admission is $20 at the door. See you on the 26th!!

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NOTES

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Space for Grace and Kids Kart - We welcome children in worship and understand that it is sometimes hard for them to sit quietly for the entire time. *Space for Grace* is located in the right hand side of the balcony and is a quiet space for young children and their parents to sit during worship. There you will find quiet books and worship activities as well as space to move around. Older children are invited to check out the *Kids Kart* located in the back of the sanctuary. The Kids Kart has books and worship activities for elementary aged children.

Rotation Sunday School - Our Sunday School theme for this month's Rotation Sunday School is "The Burning Bush". In Workshop Rotation Sunday School, we teach the same Bible story for 4 weeks in a row to all our preschool and elementary students. (Preschool classes will rotate within their own class). Each week classes rotate into a new and unique workshop, however, teachers stay-put in the workshop of their strength, -repeating their lesson each week to a new group, while adapting and improving their lesson during the "rotation." Our Rotations from October 15th through November 5th will be based on the story of The Burning Bush and will be Science, Art, Creative Drama and Bible Skills and Games.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Jr. High Fellowship - All 6th-8th graders are invited to join us tonight from 5:30-7:00PM as we make Emergency Cleanup Kits for Church World Service and play games in the Youth Room. Bring $5 for pizza!

Sr. High God Squad - All 9th-12th graders are invited to join us today following worship in the Youth Room. We will be making Emergency Cleanup Kits for Church World Service and going to lunch. Please bring $20 and a permission slip.

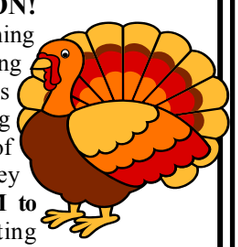
SOUP KITCHEN NEWS

The Pans Are Out!!! for our **next Soup Kitchen on October 28th**. Pick up your pan and prepare a portion of the delicious meal for our clients at Our Lady of the Valley. If you have questions or would like to join us as we serve the meal, call Joyce McGrath at 201-738-6531, for your spot to serve in person. ***We can make a difference, come serve in the name of the Lord***.

SHOPPERS NEEDED

The Soup Kitchen/Sandwich Night, Deacon and Mission Committee Ministries are looking for help with our shopping for items we need on a regular basis. We are asking folks who have a Costco Card to volunteer to shop for Sandwich Night and some Soup Kitchens. It will only be once a month for Sandwich Night and every 3 months for Soup Kitchen. If you are looking to get involved please reach out to Laura Schalles at 973-476-9616 or Joyce McGrath at 201-738-6531. ***Thank you in advance for your consideration.***

2017 TURKEY CHALLENGE IS ON!



It's that time of year again! The leaves are turning colors, the night air is getting cooler and families are making their holiday plans. Unfortunately, too many families cannot plan their holiday. They are too busy wondering how they are going to put food on the table for the rest of the week. We can help! The Annual Thanksgiving Turkey Drive takes place on **November 18, 2017 from 9:00AM to 2:00PM** in our circular driveway. Please help by donating a turkey. Many of our local grocery stores are giving turkeys to those who spend a certain $$$ amount. Please plan to donate your free turkey or purchase an extra one to donate. Last year, the Caldwell community helped over 250 families celebrate the holidays. We hope to help at least that many families once again. The NJ FoodBank uses all donations to assist NJ families who would otherwise have no means to provide a holiday meal. When sitting down to dinner tonight, please say a prayer for those families who can't and help out on November 18th.

WORDS TO PONDER FROM STEPHEN MINISTRY

"There is no higher religion than service. To work for the common good is the highest creed." Albert Schweitzer

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

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

LOCAL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP

You Can Help the Hungry in Caldwell and West Caldwell

Did you know that the Caldwell Food Pantry now serves 80 families with children each week? Due to increased need, The Caldwell Food Pantry is experiencing a shortage of staples important for each needy family. **In October we will be highlighting cereal, both hot and cold, and *especially cereals that will appeal to kids***, **<u>but any donations are always welcome</u>**. If you can help please drop off the items in the marked bins located throughout he church.

Hint: Take advantage of store sale items and manufactures coupons that will help make your contribution donation dollars go even further!

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Church Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, October 22 Last Day for Deacons' Coat Drive
8:30 AM Worship Service with Communion, at Pleasantdale Campus
9:00 AM Confirmation Class, Rm 121
10:00 AM Worship Service / Sunday School
11:15 AM Alternative Worship Meeting, Heritage Gallery
11:30 AM Confirmation Mentor Lunch, Rm 120
11:30 AM Sr. High Fellowship (Grades 9-12), Youth Room
1:30 PM *Out of Darkness* Walk, Verona Park
4:00 PM Chapel Bells (Grades 5-8)
4:45 PM Pilgrim Choir (Grades 6-8)
5:30 PM Jr. High Fellowship (Grades 6-8)
6:00 PM Westminster Choir (Grades 9-12)
7:45 PM First Church Ringers (Grades 9-12)

MONDAY, October 23
7:00 PM Yoga & Meditation, Rm 120
7:00 PM Venture Scouts, Youth Room

TUESDAY, October 24
9:30 AM Staff Meeting
11:00 AM *Tuesday Talks*, Parlor
3:00 PM Deacons' Blood Drive, Rm 120
7:00 PM New Beginnings Advisory Board
Dusinberre Home, 16 Barberry Way, EF

WEDNESDAY, October 25
9:30 AM Crafting Group, Parlor
4:30 PM Fall *Blaze*
6:00 PM *Blaze* Dinner, Rm 120

THURSDAY, October 26
7:00 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast, Caldwell Diner
10:00 AM We Dance Yoga, Choir Room
10:00 AM Old Guard, Rm 120
6:30 PM Chancel Handbells
8:00 PM Chancel Choir

FRIDAY, October 27
5:30 PM AA Meeting, Rm 120

SATURDAY, October 28
8:00 AM Dads With a Mission, Inc., Rockn' Joe Café
8:30 AM Soup Kitchen Crew leaves First Pres
9:00 AM Confirmation Class to Johnsonburg

SUNDAY, October 29
8:30 AM Worship Service with Communion, at Pleasantdale Campus
9:00 AM Confirmation Class, Rm 121
10:00 AM Worship Service / Sunday School
11:30 AM Sr. High Fellowship *Soul Shop Suicide Awareness Workshop*
4:00 PM Chapel Bells (Grades 5-8)
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