



FIRST PRESS

FEBRUARY 3RD, 2019

WELCOME VISITORS!

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

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 will be glad to provide you with more information.

Nursery care is provided for children up to 24 months in our Cradle Room during our 10:00 AM service. There is Sunday School 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.

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

Please join us for soup in Room 120 after the 10:00AM service.

Thank you to all who made soup for today!

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

There will be a congregational meeting **immediately following the 10:00AM service TODAY, February 3rd** for the purpose of electing Elders and Deacons to the Class of 2021; and to fill an unexpired term in the Elder Class of 2019; and to fill unexpired terms in the Deacon Classes of 2019 and 2020; and to elect a Teen Deacon for a one-year term.

SESSION:

Class of 2021

Jack Dusinberre
Chris Flanagan
Nancy Hauser
Lydia Spinelli
Jeannine Archibald

Class of 2019

Paul Califf

DEACONS:

Class of 2021

Bonnie Chiappetta
Kaitlyn Heun
Christien Endres
Darcy Asche
Eleanor Casagrand

Class of 2020

Tim Hemesath
Sandra Nathans

Class of 2019

Ellen Nicol

Class of 2019

Mimi Maher

Luke Pryor

Gabriella Suda (Teen Deacon)

Sunday, February 24th will be the last 8:30AM Worship Service in the Chapel. We invite all to join us on Sundays for the 10:00AM Worship Service in the Sanctuary or the Illuminate Worship Service at 11:30AM in Fellowship Hall.

TODAY IS "SOUPER" BOWL OF CARING



Thank you to all who gave generously today! Every dollar and can of soup donated goes to the Caldwell Food Pantry. If you would still like to donate money for the food pantry, you may do so in coffee hour today.



YOU'RE INVITED TO A BABY SHOWER FOR SCOTT & MICHELE WESTENBERGER TODAY

All are invited to join us **today, February 3rd at 12:30PM in Room 120** for a Baby Shower for Scott and Michele! Cake and coffee will be served. Please use a simple ribbon or bow as wrapping. Registered at [buybuyBaby](http://buybuyBaby.com).



JOIN US FOR A SETON HALL BASKETBALL GAME – FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT

The Church Life Committee is offering a Seton Hall Men's Basketball event to get together with friends from FPC. Come join us on **Saturday February 9th at 8:00PM** as the Seton Hall Pirates take on the Creighton Bluejays at the Prudential Center in Newark, NJ. Seton Hall is celebrating their first annual Faith and Family Night. The cost is \$25 per person and individual tickets can be purchased online by February 7th. The link is available at www.firstprescaldwell.org/shu. You will purchase your tickets individually through Seton Hall and although we may not all be sitting directly next to each other, we will all be seated in Section 16. Church life will reserve a table a Dinosaur BBQ before the game. If you are interested in joining, please indicate the size of your party on the DINO BBQ form on the church website.



SANDWICH NIGHT

On **Tuesday, February 12th at 6 PM**, Our Board of Deacons will host our monthly Sandwich Night to benefit St. John's Soup Kitchen in Newark. If you are looking to get involved in church life, this is a great opportunity to come out and meet new friends and reconnect with old ones. In one hour, we attempt to complete 400 to 450 bagged lunches to send down to our friends at St. John's. Come and enjoy the fun, you will not regret this very special evening. If you should have any questions, or your committee/organization would like to host a Sandwich Night, please reach out to Joyce McGrath, 201-738-6531.

SOUP KITCHEN NEWS

Pans are out for our next Soup Kitchen at Our Lady of the Valley in Orange. We will be traveling down on **February 23rd** with a great hot meal to help those in need. If you would like to get involved with this ministry, pick up a pan or call Joyce McGrath, 201-738-6531, to come and serve in person at the kitchen. This is a great opportunity, especially for our youth, families, new members or established members, all are welcome to participate. **COME AND SERVE IN THE NAME OF THE LORD.**

OPEN GYM

Basketball

Mondays from 6:30 to 8 pm

Pickleball

Tuesdays from 7 to 9 pm

Volleyball

Thursdays from 7 to 9 pm

WORDS TO PONDER FROM STEPHEN MINISTRY



"God specializes in giving people a fresh start."

Rick Warren

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



JR. HIGH FELLOWSHIP (Grades 6-8)

Sunday, February 10th 2:00-4:00PM

Please join us for an afternoon of bowling at Hanover Lanes in East Hanover, NJ. We will meet in the church lobby at 12:30PM and return by 2:30PM. Please bring \$25 for bowling and lunch. **RSVP to Noe (noe@firstprescaldwell.org) by Friday February 8th.**

ALL YOUTH EVENTS (Grades 6-12)

Sunday, February 17th 12:30-2:30PM

All youth are invited to join us for a pizza lunch and board game afternoon in Room 120. Please bring \$5 for lunch and your favorite board game!

Tuesday, February 19th 6:00-7:00PM

All youth are invited to a soccer night! This will be a time of friendly recreation where we can get to know each other through the beautiful game of soccer. We will be meeting in the gym. Be ready to run, sweat, and have a great time!



SR. HIGH FELLOWSHIP (Grades 9-12)

Sunday, February 24th 12:30-1:30PM

Please join us for lunch, fellowship and a devotion. Please bring \$\$ for lunch.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERING

Each week, children are encouraged to bring in their own offering to give during Sunday School. Our hope is that with this offering, our children will learn to give happily from what God has given us in order to help others. Your child(ren) should bring their offering with them to their Sunday School classroom each Sunday. Someone will come around to collect from each classroom. At the end of the Sunday School year, we will donate all of the Sunday School offerings to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



LENTEN CHILDREN'S MIDWEEK PROGRAM

All children, Grades K-5, are invited to join us for our Lenten Children's Program: "Walking with Jesus" on Wednesdays from March 6th through April 17th. Wednesdays will include recreation, worship arts, and a bible study on the life and ministry of Jesus. For a full schedule, and a registration form, please visit <http://www.firstprescaldwell.org/ministries/children/midweek-program/>. The cost of the program is \$40 per child. Please make checks payable to The First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell. For more information, please contact Noe Lopez at noe@firstprescaldwell.org.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR FESTIVAL - Sunday, March 9th 1:00-4:00PM

Sing Together, Children! - A Festival of Songs to Highlight Stories of God

This isn't your average children's choir festival. There are no anthems to prepare. No hymns to learn ahead. Just come to sing together, play some instruments, and help lead a closing hymn festival. Children in grades 2-6 are invited to join us on Saturday, March 9, from 10:00-6:00PM for a trip to Trinity Lutheran Church in Lansdale, PA. We will leave from FPC and stop for lunch on the way to the festival! We will return to FPC by 6:00PM. For more information or to register, please contact Barbara Piercy.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Thanks to those of you who have already submitted your pledge to the work of Christ through FPC for the year 2019. As of Wednesday, January 30, 2019, we have received 143 pledges totaling \$424,827.58. For the 2018 year, there were 175 pledges received, totaling \$525,232.00. If you have not yet done so, please submit your 2019 pledge as soon as possible.



The Chapel will be undergoing a renovation soon. Part of the project will be the removal of the wooden pews. If any member would like to have one of the pews please let Mike Bruchac or any member of the Buildings & Grounds Committee know.

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT CALDWELL

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Stephen Ministry - 973-228-0310 ext. 235

OUR STAFF

Dr. Richard N. Sommers, *Pastor/Head of Staff*

Rev. Don Brown, *Associate Pastor*

Rev. Barbara Jo Piercy, *Minister of Music*

Noel Piercy, *Associate Director of Music*

Noe Lopez, *Director of Children & Youth Ministries*

Scott Westenberger, *Worship Leader*

Lauren Restaino, *Communications/Youth Intern*

Christine Brunner, *Office Manager*

Chris White, *Building Manager/Head Sexton*

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Kathleen Carlson, *Director*

Weekday Nursery School - 973-226-6674

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prospecthillcemetery@firstprescaldwell.org

Dr. Robert R. McGruther, *Pastor Emeritus*

Rev. Robert Pryor, *Parish Associate*

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, February 3 "SOUPER" BOWL OF CARING CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

- 8:30 AM Worship Committee, Parlor
- 9:00 AM Confirmation Mentor Breakfast, Room 121
- 9:00 AM Chapel Handbell Choir, Handbell Room
- 10:00 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00 AM Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour, Room 120
- 11:30 AM Illuminate, Gym
- 12:30 PM Baby Shower for Scott and Michele, Room 120
- 1:00 PM Urinetown, Gym
- 5:00 PM First Church Ringers, Handbell Room

MONDAY, February 4

- 6:30 PM Basketball, Gym
- 6:30 PM Church Life, Parlor
- 7:00 PM Venture Scouts, Youth Room
- 7:00 PM Yoga, Room 120

TUESDAY, February 5

- 9:30 AM Staff Meeting, Parlor
- 5:30 PM Building and Grounds Meeting, Parlor
- 7:00 PM Dapper Dan's Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Pickleball, Gym
- 7:00 PM Personnel Meeting, Parlor
- 7:00 PM Youth Committee Meeting, Youth Room

WEDNESDAY, February 6

- 9:30 AM Crafting Group, Parlor
- 5:00 PM God and Family Program, Room 121
- 6:15 PM We Dance Ballet, Gym Stage
- 7:30 PM We Dance Tap, Gym Stage

THURSDAY, February 7

- 7:00 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast, Caldwell Diner
- 5:15 PM Yoga for Bereaved, Room 120
- 6:30 PM Chancel Handbells, Handbell Room
- 7:00 PM Volleyball, Gym
- 8:00 PM Chancel Choir, Choir Room

FRIDAY, February 8

- 10:00 AM We Dance Yoga, Choir Room
- 5:00 PM Sr. High Retreat at Camp Johnsonburg
- 5:30 PM AA Meeting, Room 120

SATURDAY, February 9

- 8:00 AM Dads With a Mission, Inc. (DWAMI), Rockn' Joe Caf 
- 8:30 AM Meeting of The Presbytery of Newark @ Livingston Presbyterian Church
- 1:00 PM Urinetown Rehearsal, Gym
- 8:00 PM Seaton Hall Faith and Family Game, Prudential Ctr.

SUNDAY, February 10 YOUTH CHOIR TOUR COMMISSIONING

- 8:30 AM Early Worship Service, Chapel
- 9:00 AM Confirmation, Room 121
- 9:00 AM Chapel Handbell Choir, Handbell Room
- 10:00 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour, Room 120
- 11:30 AM Illuminate, Gym
- 12:30 PM Communications Committee, Parlor
- 2:00 PM Jr. High Fellowship Bowling, Hanover Lanes
- 5:00 PM First Church Ringers, Handbell Room
- 7:00 PM Urinetown Pre-show Performance, Gym