



FIRST PRESS

FEBRUARY 10TH, 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 Coffee Hour in Room 120 after the 10:00AM service.

Hosting this week is
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CHOIR TOUR 2019 - Los Angeles, California URINETOWN by Greg Kotis & Mark Hollman



You are invited to a pre-show performance of Urinetown tonight, February 10th at 7pm in Fellowship Hall featuring the talented youth of the Westminster Choir. Please keep the youth in your prayers as they travel to the west coast for their annual choir tour from Thursday, February 14th to Thursday, February 21st.

Please tell all of your friends and family in the Los Angeles area about the Westminster Choir's upcoming performances.

Friday, February 15th:

Palmdale UMC
39055 10th Street West, Palmdale, CA 93551

Saturday, February 16th 5pm and Sunday, February 17th morning:

St. Mark PCUSA
2200 San Joaquin Hills Road
Newport Beach, CA 92660

Sunday, February 17th afternoon:

St. Paul's Episcopal
1221 Wass—Tustin, CA 92780

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!



Thank you to all who donated to Souper Bowl of Caring last Sunday. We collected 115 cans of soup, 24 miscellaneous items and \$436 for the Caldwell Food Pantry. Many thanks to Bonnie Chiappetta, Liz Moore and Angie Maxwell for providing us with delicious soup during coffee hour. It was certainly a treat before the big game!

SANDWICH NIGHT

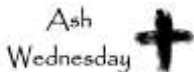
This **Tuesday, February 12th at 6 PM**, our Board of Deacons will host our monthly Sandwich Night to benefit St. John's Soup Kitchen in Newark. If you are looking to get involved in church life, this is a great opportunity to come out and meet new friends and reconnect with old ones. In one hour, we 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.**

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.



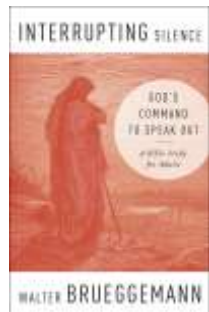
MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

An Ash Wednesday Service of Wholeness will be held Wednesday evening, March 6th at 7:00PM in the sanctuary. In addition to the imposition of ashes, prayers will be offered for those in need of healing, reconciliation, and wholeness, including the laying on of hands for those who so desire.

TUESDAY TALKS—LENT

Our Lenten Tuesday Talks will begin on **Tuesday, March 12th through Tuesday, April 9th at 11:00AM in the Parlor**. The book we will study is *Interrupting Silence* by Walter Brueggemann. Silence is a complex matter. It can refer to awe before unutterable holiness, but it can also refer to the coercion where some voices are silenced in the interest of control by the dominant voices. It is the latter silence that Walter Brueggemann explores, urging us to speak up in situations of injustice.

Interrupting Silence illustrates that the Bible is filled with stories where marginalized people break repressive silence and speak against it. Examining how maintaining silence allows the powerful to keep control, Brueggemann motivates readers to consider situations in their lives where they need to either interrupt silence or be part of the problem, convincing us that God is active and wanting us to act for justice.



WORDS TO PONDER FROM STEPHEN MINISTRY

"We love because He first loved us." 1 John 4:19

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)

TODAY, 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 2:00PM and return by 4:00PM. Please bring \$25 for bowling and lunch.

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. At the end of the Sunday School year, we will donate all of the Sunday School offerings to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.



FEBRUARY FOUNDATIONS

This month, our Sunday School children will spend three weeks discovering some foundations of our faith. Kindergarten and 1st grade will learn The Lord's Prayer, 2nd grade will learn about Communion, 3rd grade will learn the 23rd Psalm, 4th grade will learn the Beatitudes, 5th grade will learn the Apostles Creed and 6th and 7th grades will learn the 10 Commandments. We are excited for the opportunity to both teach and learn with the children! Please help us by encouraging your child throughout these programs as we grow together in the faith. Be sure to join us on Sunday, March 3rd when the children share what they've learned in our Family Worship Service.

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/lenten-childrens-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.

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, February 6, 2019, we have received 143 pledges totaling \$424,547.58. 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.

OPEN GYM

Basketball

Mondays from 6:30 to 8 pm

Pickleball

Tuesdays from 7 to 9 pm

Volleyball

Thursdays from 7 to 9 pm

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT CALDWELL

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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*

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, February 10

YOUTH CHOIR TOUR COMMISSIONING

- 8:30 AM Early Worship Service, Chapel
- 9:00 AM Confirmation, Room 121
- 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
- 4:00 PM Chapel Handbells, Handbell Room
- 5:00 PM First Church Ringers, Handbell Room
- 7:00 PM Urinetown Pre-show Performance, Gym

MONDAY, February 11

- 6:30 PM Basketball, Gym
- 7:00 PM Facing Racism, Room 118
- 7:00 PM Venture Scouts, Youth Room
- 7:00 PM Yoga, Room 120

TUESDAY, February 12

- 9:30 AM Staff Meeting, Parlor
- 5:00 PM Finance Committee, Parlor
- 6:00 PM Sandwich Night, Gym
- 6:15 PM Mission Committee
- 6:30 PM Chancel Hanbells, Handbell Room
- 7:00 PM Dapper Dan's Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Pickleball, Gym
- 7:00 PM Deacons' Meeting, Room 120
- 8:00 PM Chancel Choir, Choir Room

WEDNESDAY, February 13

- 9:30 AM Crafting Group, Parlor
- 5:00 PM God and Family Program, Room 121
- 7:00 PM Girl Scouts, Room 121
- 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study, Parlor

THURSDAY, February 14

CHOIR TOUR 2019

- 7:00 AM Men's Fellowship Breakfast, Caldwell Diner
- 10:00 AM Old Guard
- 5:15 PM Yoga for Bereaved, Room 120
- 7:00 PM Volleyball, Gym

FRIDAY, February 15

CHOIR TOUR 2019

- 5:30 PM AA Meeting, Room 120

SATURDAY, February 16

CHOIR TOUR 2019

- 8:00 AM Dads With a Mission, Inc. (DWAMI), Rockn' Joe Café

SUNDAY, February 17

CHOIR TOUR 2019

- 8:30 AM Early Worship Service, Chapel
- 9:00 AM Confirmation, Room 121
- 10:00 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:15 AM Coffee Hour, Room 120
- 11:15 AM Stephen Ministry, Room 118
- 11:30 AM Illuminate, Gym
- 12:30 PM All Youth Lunch and Board Games, Room 120