



The First Presbyterian
Church at Caldwell

FIRST PRESS

Sunday, July 31, 2022

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.

Join us for a 10:00am worship service in the sanctuary on Sundays during the summer.

Updated indoor worship guidelines are available at the following link:
<https://www.firstprescaldwell.org/worship-guidelines/>

Worship online any time via livestream by clicking the links below.

[Livestream Sanctuary Service on Facebook](#)

[Livestream Sanctuary Service on Livestream Website](#)

[Livestream Illuminate Service on Facebook](#)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR SUMMER

We will have one Sunday service at 10:00 am in the sanctuary this summer. The music leadership and worship style will be divided between traditional and contemporary. Please see below for the full schedule.

July 31st: Traditional	August 28th: Traditional
August 7th: Contemporary	September 4th: Contemporary
August 14th: Contemporary	September 11th: Traditional
August 21st: Traditional	

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

The office will be open Monday-Thursday 8am-3pm and Friday 8am-2pm. Regular hours will resume after Labor Day.

REV. BILL SCHRAM ON VACATION

Pastor Bill will be on vacation July 25-August 7. Our guest speaker on July 31 will be Jennifer Brady, Director of Oasis. Come to hear more about their work, and chat with her directly at Lemonade on the Lawn. On August 7, Bonnie Chiappetta, who is studying to become a minister, will give the sermon and Rev. Bob McGruther will preside at Communion.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY 225 ROUNDUP

Now that the 2022 General Assembly has ended – the first-ever hybrid assembly – the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) will try to live into the commitments made and the work ahead. Ruth Santana-Grace and Shavon Starling-Louis, the new co-moderators, stood for election using the theme “Unbounded We Thrive,” and the assembly spoke its mind on issues affecting the church and the world. [Click here to learn more about what happened at General Assembly.](#)

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

Campers entering 1st-6th grades are invited to join us for an awesome week of recreation, crafts, exploring the Bible and meeting new friends! Vacation Bible School (VBS) will take place at The First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell, both indoors and outdoors, on Monday, August 15th through Friday, August 19th from 10:00am-1:00pm. This is a rain or shine program! Please submit a registration form for each child: <https://forms.gle/x4yunVFSTjCn6NVQ8>. The cost is \$25 per camper (\$50 max per family). Submit a payment online by clicking here: <https://secure.egsnetwork.com/donate/FB38EEBC60834C8>, or you may mail a check to The First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell with VBS in the memo.

This year's theme is "On The Case." Throughout the week, we are going to investigate the mysterious meanings behind a few of the famous stories Jesus told. Growing spiritually doesn't have to be an unsolved mystery! Campers will take a four-day journey as detectives digging into a few of Jesus' parables to solve the mysteries of how to grow their faith, how to care for, serve, and love others. They'll discover that the answers have been there all along: **spend time with God, spend time with others, use your gifts, and share your story.**



What does your child need each day? A water bottle with their name on it, a bagged lunch, a beach towel, a bathing suit, and a sense of adventure!

Students in 7th through 12th grades are invited to volunteer this summer as Vacation Bible School (VBS) counselors. VBS will take place at The First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell, both indoors and outdoors, on Monday, August 15th through Friday, August 19th from 10:00am-1:00pm. Assist our camp leaders with bible study, crafts, games, and outdoor fun! We ask that all counselors arrive 15 minutes early and stay 15 minutes later each day to help with set up and clean up! [Submit a registration form to be a VBS Counselor.](#)

MIDWEEK VINYASA YOGA AT FPC

Relax, recharge, and renew for the rest of the week by moving through a sequence of poses to increase strength, flexibility, and focus led by Sue Tannler.

Who: You and an open-mind

Where: FPC Fellowship hall

When: Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

What: Bring a mat and a water bottle. If you have blocks and a strap, scarf, or belt, bring them as well. (Extras will be on hand as well).

Any questions reach out to Sue Tannler btannler@gmail.com or 862-684-3673.

Summer Yoga UPDATES

Yoga will not be held on the following dates:

August 10th, 2022

August 17th, 2022

Should you have any questions, please call the church office.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE IS SEARCHING FOR LAY READERS

WANTED: Lay Readers

WHAT: To read scripture or other printed parts of the worship service.

WHY: to remind us that worship is a act of all the people.

REQUIREMENTS: Being able to read in front of the congregation

WHEN: Readers needed at the 10:00 am services.

WHERE: At some services. Your availability will help determine how often.

If interested contact: fpc@firstprescaldwell.org. Come on - this is an easy way to help out and it gets you in front of a microphone!! Looking forward to getting swamped with volunteers!

Calling EMTs, First Aid responders and Medical professionals

The Worship Committee is looking to put together a list of individuals that are willing to be called upon to step in if a medical situation presents itself in order to offer care until EMTs arrive.

- Medical/Nursing Training
- EMT Training
- First Aid Training
- AED use Training

Please email Kris George via kristiane.george@gmail.com should you have any of the above training and are willing to help.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN IS BACK!

As we get back to our regular fellowship at FPC, we are bringing back Lemonade on the Lawn and Coffee Hour! For the past few Sundays, we have had some great coffee hours hosted by members of the committee and the congregation. We are asking to have more congregants sign up to host. Kaitlyn has agreed to get the set up started each Sunday, but we need someone to bring in and set up the food, milk, and accessories, as well as host on the lawn or in room 120 to offer assistance and be a friendly face. If you host lemonade / coffee hour, you are also required to stay and clean up. Please review the calendar and sign up for any dates that work for you. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f4fa5ad29a0f94-coffee>

OPEN GYM

VOLLEYBALL

Mondays from 7:00 to 8:00 pm

PICKLEBALL

Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

NEW REGISTRANTS Contact Barb Bruchac to confirm availability at 973-454-5583

AMAZON SMILE—SUPPORT FPC

What's an easy way to support First Pres not only during the Christmas season, but all year long? Just sign into Amazon using the link below before you start shopping. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to First Pres. [Click here to get started.](#)

OFFERINGS

Offerings will continue online at www.firstprescaldwell.org/donate. Mailed-in donations continue to also be gladly accepted.

DO YOU HAVE A CHURCH PROGRAM OR EVENT THAT NEEDS TO BE ADVERTISED?

The deadline for the next First Press is Monday at 3:00pm. We cannot guarantee inclusion of material submitted after that. Please email Lauren Restaino at lauren@firstprescaldwell.org.

OUR STAFF

Rev. Bill 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*

Scott Westenberger, *Worship Leader*

Lauren Restaino, *Youth Ministry & Communications Coordinator*

Christine Brunner, *Office Manager*

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Irma Clare, *Administrative Assistant*

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Kathleen Carlson, *Director*

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

ALL SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE VIA LIVESTREAM

SUNDAY, July 31st

10:00 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:00 AM Lemonade on the Lawn

MONDAY, August 1st

7:00 PM Women's Bible Study, Zoom Meeting

7:00 PM Volleyball, Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, August 2nd

9:30 AM Staff Meeting, Parlor

5:00 PM Building & Grounds, Zoom Meeting

6:30 PM Pickleball, Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, August 3rd

7:00 PM Yoga—Vinyasa, Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY, August 7th

10:00 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:00 AM Lemonade on the Lawn