



The First Presbyterian
Church at Caldwell

FIRST PRESS

Sunday, October 30th, 2022

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS

NOVEMBER 6TH

Don't forget to set your
clocks back one hour on
Saturday night.



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.*

9:30am Sanctuary Service
11:00am Contemporary Service
*Sunday School and activities are
available at both services except
the first Sunday of each month.
Nursery care is available in the
Cradle Room.*

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

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OUR CHRISTIAN CALL TO GRATITUDE, GENEROSITY AND STEWARDSHIP

We invite you to read this passage from scripture and to reflect upon God's call to each of us to be grateful and generous stewards.

Genesis 9:1-3, 16-17

(Noah, the aftermath of the flood and the rainbow)

This story is a reminder of God's generous provision to humanity. God provides for our basic needs and also establishes an everlasting covenant with us. Our response must be one of gratitude and generosity, for this abundant provision. We can be inspired by the image of the rainbow and the reminder that God will provide for us, so we are called to respond generously to provide for the needs of others through stewardship.



Expressing
Gratitude
Together

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To indicate your pledge online, visit

<https://www.firstprescaldwell.org/fpc-financial-pledge-2023>.

Our Dedication Sunday will be Nov. 20. Your planned giving helps us do our planning in Christ's service. Your investment in Christ's mission impacts lives with the Good News. Help us continue to grow great things in faith.

SANDWICH NIGHT

What a fun night we had at Sandwich Night that was hosted by The Board of Elders! We also had members of the choir, deacons, FPC congregation, a member from Our Lady of the Valley Soup Kitchen, and volunteers from Saint Al's join us. All came with the joy of giving and sharing. We bagged approximately 430 lunches to benefit St. John's Soup Kitchen in Newark. It was an incredible evening.

If you are looking for a fun and meaningful evening, come to our Sandwich Night, meet new friends, and reconnect with established friends. If some of our youth are seeking community service, it is a fast two hours!

Our next Sandwich Night will be hosted by our Mission Committee on **Wednesday, November 16th at 6:00pm** in Fellowship Hall. On **Wednesday, December 7th**, we will have a Sandwich Night hosted by the Essex County School of Technology. Come and check us out and maybe your group or committee will soon host one or two Sandwich Nights. See you all soon!

SOUP KITCHEN NEWS

Have you signed up to prepare a meal for our Thursday or Saturday Soup Kitchen yet? It's very easy. Visit www.firstprescaldwell.org/soup-kitchen-news and click on the Thursday or Saturday links. Choose the item that you wish to prepare, click sign/submit. Add your name, phone number and email, scroll down and click sign up. Done! Any questions, please call Laura Schalles (973) 476-8616 or Joyce McGrath (201) 738-6531.

Our numbers at the soup kitchen are up and we need volunteers to prepare our meals. Think of our clients who may just have the one meal for the day. We at this church are blessed to have so much. Let's share what we have for the less fortunate.

If you cannot pick up at the allotted time, you can always drop your items at church earlier. Just let the church office know when you plan to come. Thank you all for your ongoing support. God Bless.

DEACONS FALL/WINTER DRIVE — THANK YOU!

A thank you to everyone who donated items for the Deacons' Fall/Winter Coat/Backpack Drive along with the volunteers who helped make our drive so successful. St. John's is most appreciative of FPC's continued support.

OASIS - A HAVEN FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Oasis- A Haven for Women and Children is actively seeking volunteers to help in their childcare rooms, food pantry, and to coordinate food pick-ups from BJ's, Costco, Starbucks, etc. Please contact Andrea Johnston, Volunteer Coordinator, (973)881-8307 x121 for more information.

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING TURKEY DRIVE

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 **Saturday, November 19th from 9:00am—2:00pm** in our circular driveway and at Jack's Supermarket. Please help by donating a turkey and canned goods. 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 pray for these families and help our on November 19th.

SIGN UP TO HOST COFFEE HOUR

We are asking to have more congregants sign up to host. Kaitlyn will continue to make coffee/ set up the coffee each Sunday, but we need someone to bring in and set up the food, milk, and cream, as well as host in room 120 to offer assistance and be a friendly face. If you host 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. If you have any questions please reach out to Diane Joy at dianejfpc@gmail.com or (973)768-4656. Thank you for your help with this ministry of fellowship! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F4FA5AD29A0F94-coffee>

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. **No Yoga on November 9th**

What: Bring a mat and a water bottle. If you have blocks and a strap, scarf, or belt, bring them as well. Any questions reach out to Sue Tannler btannler@gmail.com or 862-684-3673.

FAMILY CHRISTMAS SERVICE ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18 AT 9:30 AM

Calling all youth to participate! We will be holding our Annual Family Christmas Service on Sunday, December 18 at 9:30 AM. This year, we would like all youth from our youngest members through college age to participate.

IN SEARCH OF!!!!

Angels, kings, Mary, Joseph

Readers

Helpers with the angels, kings, Mary and Joseph

Singers

Musicians (any instrument you play)

Ushers

Participants wearing costumes will try on costumes before December 18th. There will be a walk through of the Service December 18th before the service. No other rehearsals. All interested should contact Valerie Shondel, Interim Director of Music at valerie@firstprescaldwell.com 973 228-0310 ext 213 or Kaitlyn Heun at kaitlynheun@gmail.com.

ADULT EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

Download Newsletter: <https://bit.ly/3dXvkiL>

AMAZON SMILE—SUPPORT FPC

What's an easy way to support First Pres all year long? 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

Place your offering in the plates are at the welcome tables. Or give 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*

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

ALL SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE VIA LIVESTREAM

SUNDAY, October 30th

9:30 AM Traditional Service, Sanctuary

10:30 AM Coffee Hour, Room 120

11:00 AM Contemporary Service, Fellowship Hall

6:00 PM Confirmation Mentor Dinner

MONDAY, October 31st

11:00 AM Staff Meeting, Parlor

7:00 PM Volleyball, Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, November 1st

5:00 PM Building & Grounds, Zoom Meeting

6:30 PM Pickleball, Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, November 2nd

7:00 PM Yoga, Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

7:00 PM Adult Education Book Study, Room 120

7:00 PM PNC Committee, Parlor

THURSDAY, November 3rd

6:00 PM Pickleball, Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal, Handbell Room

SUNDAY, November 6th

9:30 AM Traditional Service, Sanctuary

10:30 AM Coffee Hour, Room 120

11:00 AM Contemporary Service, Fellowship Hall

VOLLEYBALL

Mondays from 7:00 to 8:00 pm

PICKLEBALL

Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Thursdays 6:00pm Beginners

6:30 to 8:00pm Mixed level play

*****NEW PARTICIPANTS*****

MUST Contact Barb Bruchac at 973-454-5583