



The First Presbyterian
Church at Caldwell

FIRST PRESS

Sunday, May 14th, 2023

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/or quiet bible-based activities are available at both services. Nursery care is available every Sunday in the Cradle Room.

Advance registration for in-person attendance is not required at this time. All registration will be done on-site beginning at 9:00am for the Sanctuary Service, and 10:30am for the Contemporary Service.

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

Worship online any time via Facebook or livestream.com by following the links below.

[Livestream on Facebook](#)
[Livestream on Livestream Website](#)



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING
SPECIAL OFFERINGS

HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

At FPC, we will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) offering on Mother's Day, May 14th. Each gift to OGHS helps to improve the lives of people in these challenging situations. The Offering provides us a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need. In fact, OGHS is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world. One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference in the world. Provide an offering during the service, or donate online: <https://www.firstprescaldwell.org/donate>

INQUIRER'S GATHERING

Do you want to find out more about the Presbyterian Church? Are you interested in moving from attender to member? Are there questions you have about what we believe, or how we operate? Join us on **Sunday, May 21st from 2:00-4:00pm** at the church. All are welcome – attender or member – who have questions. And don't worry, if this doesn't fit your schedule, there will be other opportunities as we seek to find times for all who are interested.

DO YOU SPEAK A SECOND LANGUAGE?

Help us celebrate Pentecost on **Sunday, May 28th** as we recall the Spirit's gift of being understood in different languages. We'd like to share an opening welcome sentence in different languages. If you speak a second language and want to contribute to our worship, let Pastor Bill or the church office know.

ADULT EDUCATION SPRING NEWSLETTER

The Adult Education Spring Newsletter—Issue #3 is now available: Download the newsletter here: <https://bit.ly/40Xh0Ko>

THANK YOU FROM THE CONGREGATIONAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE

The Congregational Outreach Committee would like to thank all those who donated candy, helped us fill the bags at coffee hour and deliver the Easter goody bags to our members that don't get out as often as they'd like to! We filled 75 bags and brightened many members day!

FIRST PRES DEACONS

Your First Pres Deacons are hard at work supporting a variety of important ministries throughout the church. Check in here to see what events are up and coming and how you can support Deacons, the church and the larger community!

Upcoming events:

Wednesday, May 24th - Golf Outing

Future Dates to Look Out For:

Blood Drive - Summer 2023

Mum Sale - Fall 2023

Please also check out the First Pres monthly Soup Kitchen opportunities on Saturdays and Thursdays. Check the First Pres website for details, future dates and information about meals to be prepared and dropped off at the church to serve on those days



THE BOARD OF DEACONS GOLF OUTING

What could be better than a day of terrific golf, friendly competition, great food and beverages, and wonderful prizes? Join us for The Annual Board of Deacons Golf Outing on **Wednesday, May 24th** at Farmstead Golf and Country Club in Lafayette, NJ. All are welcome! The friendly 4 player/best ball team format guarantees everyone an enjoyable day regardless of skill level. Check-in begins at 10:30am followed by a shotgun start at 11:30pm. The afternoon on the course is followed by a buffet dinner and cash bar. Come for the entire afternoon, or just for dinner. The day promises fellowship as well as the opportunity to network while directly supporting Youth & Outreach Mission projects at First Pres. To sign up, register online at charitygolftoday.com/boardofdeacons.

SOUP KITCHEN NEWS

To all who want to serve, the May Soup Kitchen menus are out and ready for sign up. Be a supporter of this ministry to benefit Our Lady of the Valley Soup Kitchen. Whether it's hard boiled eggs, dessert or a main dish all donations are welcome. On another note, if you wish to participate in person, you can sign up online just below the food list to serve with Laura and Joyce. You may also contact one of us if that is more convenient—Joyce McGrath (201) 738-6531 or Laura Schalles (973) 476-8616. This ministry has been in existence for decades and we are blessed to be apart of this great event. Help us continue this great tradition by signing up to prepare or serve in person. Sign up online: www.firstprescaldwell.org/soup-kitchen-news.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Women's Bible Study Group is working on a 6 week study. It is still open for those who are interested. The group meets every other week. Meeting dates are as follows: 5/15, 5/29, 6/12, 6/26. "Jesus Over Everything" by Lisa Whittle. "Helping you see the truth about what is complicating your life and how to uncomplicate it by putting Jesus first."

ROVING REPORTERS NEEDED

"If a picture is a worth a thousand words, then a video is worth a million." First pres is looking for roving reporters to help us with capturing our services, programs and events via photos and/or videos. If you are interested in helping with this effort, please email Lauren at lauren@firstprescaldwell.org.

SIGN UP TO HOST COFFEE HOUR

Coffee Hour is an opportunity for church members and friends to gather in fellowship while enjoying coffee and treats. Coffee hour takes place in Room 120 on Sunday mornings at 10:30am (in between our two service times). We are asking to have more congregants sign up to host coffee hour. Kaitlyn Heun will continue to make coffee/set up the coffee each Sunday, but we need volunteers each Sunday to provide and set up the food, milk and cream. Hosts will also offer assistance and be a friendly face in Room 120. If you host coffee hour, we ask that you stay and clean up, as well. Please review the calendar and consider signing up for any dates that work for you. We appreciate all of our volunteers for helping us to make this a special time for our church community. <http://bit.ly/3XqBYQb> If you are unable to host coffee hour, but you would like to bake or drop off a treat for coffee hour, please contact Kaitlyn Heun at kaitlynheun@gmail.com.

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. Join us on Wednesdays at 7:00pm in Fellowship Hall. Bring a mat and a water bottle. If you have blocks and a strap, scarf, or belt, bring them as well. Please enter through the gym doors in the parking lot. Any questions reach out to Sue Tannler: btannler@gmail.com or 862-684-3673.

VOLLEYBALL & PICKLEBALL

Join us for volleyball in Fellowship Hall on Mondays from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Our Tuesday night session of Pickleball is currently full; however, new participants are welcome to join us on Thursday evenings. Beginners will play from 6:00pm to 6:30pm. From 6:30pm to 8:00pm, we will have a mixed level play. New participants must contact Barb Bruchac at (973) 454-5583.



MISSION:
DEEP SEA

**Join us this summer for
Vacation Bible School!**

August 14th-18th • 9:00am-3:00pm

Open to all children entering Kindergarten through 6th grade

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.

Become part of a crew of deep sea explorers from the Sea Exploration Agency as we go on a mission to explore the deepest depths of the ocean, in search of knowledge about its Creator! As our crew travels deeper and deeper below the surface, they will experience the wonders of creation, face a few challenges, and discover that knowing our Creator doesn't require a special badge or a submarine. Our faith grows deeper when we spend time with God, spend time with others, use our gifts to serve, and share our stories of faith.

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

On Friday, August 18th, campers should bring a bathing suit for a day filled with "deep sea" water fun! Additionally, families are invited to join their campers at 2:00pm on Friday for an end of VBS celebration!

The cost is \$100 per child. Sign up by May 14, 2023 for an early registration cost of \$85 per child. There is a \$250 family max!

For more information and to register, visit www.firstprescaldwell.org.
For questions, contact Lauren Restaino at lauren@firstprescaldwell.org



Caldwell Broadway Arts is pleased to announce the faculty for the CBA Summer Musical Theater Camp 2023. The CBA Camp is a one-week musical theater experience with intensive but fun instruction in dance, singing and acting. The program is customized to fit the abilities and strengths of those enrolled; a week which will inspire our young performers and build their skills in all aspects of musical theater.

The Summer Program is offered for performers between the ages of 10 and 17 and will be held from August 7-11, 2023 from 9:30-2PM daily and culminating with the CBA Showcase on Friday August 11, 2023 at 5PM. The program is an initiative of the First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell 326 Bloomfield Avenue where the program will be held.

Sarah Solie is the Artistic Director and Vocal Instructor, Linda Talcott Lee Dance, Instructor and Jonathan Hadley, Acting Instructor. Applications are now being accepted. For more information and an application visit the CBA Website. Caldwellbroadwayarts.org



Sarah Solie – Artistic Director/Voice Instructor

Sarah Solie is a nine-time Broadway veteran, appearing in such shows as *Beauty and the Beast*, *South Pacific*, *Annie* and *Mary Poppins*. Her studio experience includes Disney film soundtracks, original Broadway cast recordings and vocal jazz performances at various venues in New York City, including appearing twice at Carnegie Hall with the New York Pops. As a teacher, Sarah has maintained a private voice studio for the past 12 years and has taught classes in voice and musical theatre for performing arts schools in the Central New Jersey area. Sarah is thrilled to be a co-founding director of Caldwell Broadway Arts.



Linda Talcott Lee – Dance Instructor

Linda Talcott Lee is an Emmy Award-winning choreographer and four-time Broadway veteran whose vast experience includes working with dance greats such as Jerome Robbins, Graciella Danielle and Kenny Ortega. Since relocating to the Minneapolis/St. Paul area, Linda has been a member of the teaching faculty at the University of Minnesota, has choreographed multiple productions at Ordway Theater, Minneapolis Children’s Theater and The History Theater, and continues to perform locally. She can currently be seen in Chanhassen Dinner Theater’s production of *The Prom*.



Jonathan Hadley – Acting Instructor

Jonathan Hadley appeared both on Broadway and in the National and International tours of the hit musical *Jersey Boys*. His Off-Broadway and touring productions include *Into the Woods*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*, *The Great Divorce* and *The Bodyguard*. Mr. Hadley’s television appearances include “Another World” and HBO’s hit drama “Succession”. He is a teaching artist with Camp Broadway, TADA!, and Bravo’s “On With the Show”. Currently, Jonathan is a Visiting Professor at the University of Iowa, having recently directed their theatre department’s production of the Broadway musical, *Something Rotten*.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: VALERIE SHONDEL CBA DIRECTOR
valerie@firstprescaldwell.org

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.



DRIVERS WANTED

The Deacons are involved in coordinating transportation to and from church for church members who are unable to drive themselves. An online sign up form has been created and includes information related to the process for pick-up/drop-off. Please consider signing up to help with transportation for a week or two. <http://bit.ly/3kuNYSj>



OUR STAFF

Rev. Bill Schram, *Interim Pastor/Head of Staff*

Valerie Shondel, *Interim Music Director*

Kaitlyn Heun, *Interim Director of Youth Ministries*

Scott Westenberger, *Worship Leader*

Lauren Restaino, *Youth Ministry & Communications Coordinator*

Christine Brunner, *Office Manager*

Chris White, *Building Manager/Head Sexton*

Celesta Silvera, *Administrative Assistant*

Brittany Heun, *Sunday Receptionist*

Kathleen Carlson, *Director*

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CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

ALL SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE VIA LIVESTREAM

SUNDAY, MAY 14th

9:30 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary

10:30 AM Coffee Hour, Room 120

11:00 AM Contemporary Service, Chapel

MONDAY, MAY 15th

7:00 PM Volleyball, Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM Women's Bible Study, Parlor/Zoom

TUESDAY, MAY 16th

9:30 AM Staff Meeting, Parlor

6:30 PM Pickleball, Fellowship Hall *Currently FULL

7:00 PM Session Meeting, Chapel/Zoom

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17th

7:00 PM Yoga, Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM PNC Meeting, Parlor

THURSDAY, MAY 18th

6:00 PM Pickleball, Fellowship Hall

8:00 PM Handbell Rehearsal, Handbell Room

8:00 PM Chancel Choir, Choir Room

FRIDAY, MAY 19th

3:00 PM CBA Summer Camp Meet & Greet

SATURDAY, MAY 20th

12:00 PM CBA Summer Camp Meet & Greet

SUNDAY, MAY 21st

Confirmation Sunday

9:30 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary

10:30 AM Coffee Hour, Room 120

11:00 AM Contemporary Service, Chapel

2:00 PM New Member Information Session, Parlor

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.