



The First Presbyterian  
Church at Caldwell

# FIRST PRESS

Sunday, June 4th, 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](http://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](#)

## **DINE & DONATE AT THE CLOVERLEAF TAVERN**

*This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Proverbs 118:24*

What better way to rejoice a day that the Lord has made by NOT COOKING! And better yet? Contributing to a worthwhile cause! We will be collecting to help support our Sunday School program here at First Pres, and also for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. **“Dine and Donate” on Wednesday, June 7th** at The Cloverleaf Tavern. Simply come in (or order take out) from The Cloverleaf Tavern between 11:00am and closing and mention this fundraiser. A portion of the proceeds of your meal receipt will be put aside to donate to this effort. Come for lunch, come back for Happy Hour and then have dinner! Calories don't count when it's for a good cause. Please contact the church office (973) 228-0310 if you have any questions. See you on the 7th at the Cloverleaf!



## **SUMMER BOOK CLUB**

Are you interested in a summer Book Club opportunity? I'm looking for people who would like to read the book *Inspired* by Rachel Held Evans, and then chat about it. The book gives the readers an entry into the Bible and its literary forms. What are formative themes and accounts? What different ways do the prose, poetic and correspondence parts each speak to us? We'll read sections and then for those who wish, we'll join in discussions that will first be a safe place to raise questions. Then all can share in responding to the questions. If you're interested, contact me at [bill@firstprescaldwell.org](mailto:bill@firstprescaldwell.org). To see more about the book, follow this link: <https://www.amazon.com/Inspired-Slaying-Giants-Walking-Loving/dp/0718022319>



**MUSIC AT FIRST PRES DURING JUNE AT THE 9:30AM SERVICE  
JUNE 4, 2023 LAST CHANCEL CHOIR AND BELL CHOIR SUNDAY**

For the Beauty of the Earth by John Rutter  
Thaxted by Gustav Holst  
The Lord Bless You and Keep You by John Rutter

**JUNE 11, 2023 GENESIS SINGS!**

Holy, Holy, Holy arranged by Jay Rouse

**JUNE 18, 2023 MUSIC FROM OUR SECTION LEADERS!**

Ubi Caritas by Gjiello  
The Pearl Fishers Duet by Georges Bizet

**JUNE 25, 2023 MORE MUSIC FROM OUR SECTION LEADERS!**

Alleluia by Randall Thompson  
The Flower Duet from Lakme by Leo Delibes

**DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE HYMN  
FROM OUR HYMNAL?**

For the summer months, it would be great to feature your favorite hymns from our hymnal! Please email me or leave me a note in my box with your name and favorite hymn that appears in our hymnal:  
[valerie@firstprescaldwell.org](mailto:valerie@firstprescaldwell.org).





CAI's Tzedek Initiative,  
the First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell  
Mission Committee's Facing Racism Task  
Force, and the Friends of the Howe House

Invite You To CAI's Third Annual

# JUNETEENTH Shabbat

**FRIDAY, JUNE 16**

CAI's Courtyard Canopy  
20 Academy Road, Caldwell

We will gather at 5:30 pm,  
and begin Shabbat services at  
6:00 pm, followed by Shabbat  
dinner. During services, our  
guests from the Friends of the  
Howe House will share with  
us a brief history of African-  
American enslavement and  
emancipation in West Essex.

**\$15 Per Adult 13+ | \$10 Per Child  
Through Age 12 | \$40 Max Per Family**

This event is partially funded via a Community  
Leaders Against Hate and Antisemitism grant from  
the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC).



SCAN TO REGISTER OR  
VISIT [AGUDATH.ORG/EVENTS](http://AGUDATH.ORG/EVENTS)

The event will be moved  
indoors in inclement weather.



## 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!

### **Future Dates to Look Out For:**

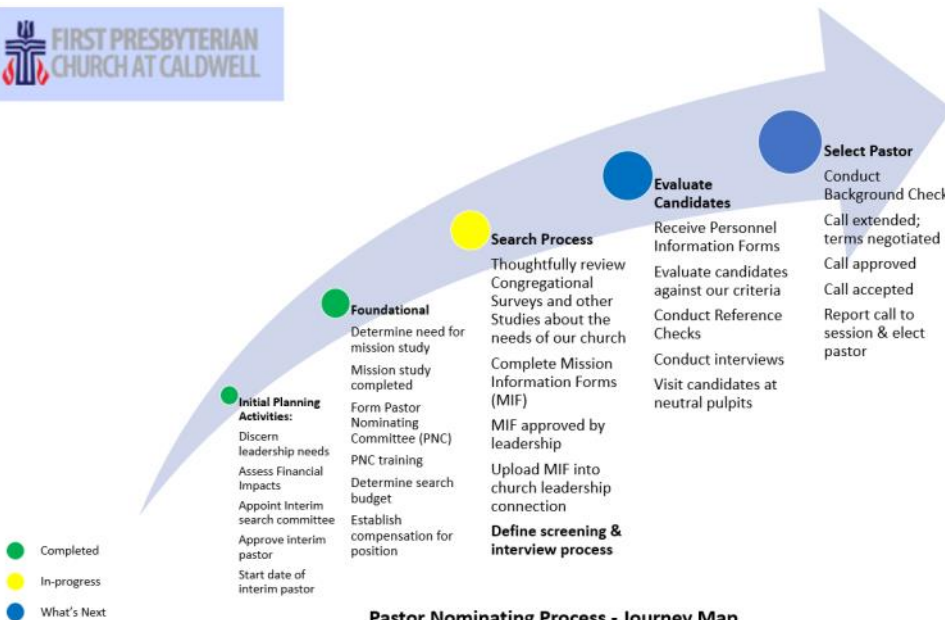
Blood Drive - Summer 2023

Mum Sale - Fall 2023

## SIGN UP FOR COFFEE HOUR/LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

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). As the weather allows, we will begin Lemonade on the Lawn on June 11th. We are asking to have more congregants sign up to host or provide a baked good during this time of fellowship. Kaitlyn Heun will continue to make coffee/set up the coffee each Sunday, but we need volunteers 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. If you are unable to host coffee hour, but you would like to bake or drop off a treat for coffee hour, you can sign up using the following link. <http://bit.ly/3XqBYQb> We appreciate all of our volunteers for helping us to make this a special time for our church community.

## ADULT EDUCATION SPRING NEWSLETTER



**Pastor Nominating Process - Journey Map**



## **PASTOR NOMINATING PROCESS UPDATE** **CBS SUMMER MUSICAL THEATER CAMP 2023**

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](http://Caldwellbroadwayarts.org)

CONTACT: VALERIE SHONDEL CBA DIRECTOR [valerie@firstprescaldwell.org](mailto:valerie@firstprescaldwell.org)



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

**August 14th-18th • 9:00am-3:00pm**  
Open to all children entering  
Kindergarten through 6th grade

Come join 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!

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — MISSION: DEEP SEA**

We are so excited to be hosting Vacation Bible School again this summer! The camp will take place at The First Presbyterian Church at Caldwell on August 14th through the 18th from 9:00am until 3:00pm. The camp is 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! The cost is \$100 per child. There is a \$250 family max. For more information and to register, visit [www.firstprescaldwell.org/vbs](http://www.firstprescaldwell.org/vbs).

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The First Presbyterian Church of Caldwell is searching for adult and student volunteers this summer for Vacation Bible School (VBS). Students who are 15 years or older may register to volunteer. A letter confirming service hours completed can be available at the end of the week. Sign up here: <https://bit.ly/3Omnyio>

## **SANDWICH NIGHT**

For those who hosted, prepared or financially supported our Sandwich Night which benefits St. John's Soup Kitchen in Newark, we are eternally grateful for your participation. We always look forward to bringing this mission to church for our congregants to get involved, as well as our youth. This mission will resume in September and the first Sandwich Night will be hosted by the Essex County Vo-Tech. These young people have enjoyed this ministry for 3 seasons and continue to come back. If you have an organization or committee that would like to host, you can call Laura Schalles (973) 476-8616 or Joyce McGrath (201) 738-6531.

## **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: 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 take any photos or videos at FPC, please email them to Lauren at [lauren@firstprescaldwell.org](mailto:lauren@firstprescaldwell.org).

## **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](mailto:btannler@gmail.com) or 862-684-3673. **No yoga on June 7.**

## **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.

## **SOUP KITCHEN NEWS**

Our 2022/2023 Soup Kitchen has come to a close. The Soup Kitchen and Sandwich Night Committee would like to take the opportunity to extend our gratitude for helping, whether it is through preparing meals or volunteering to serve. Without your support, we would not be able to provide or serve the way we do. We also look forward again to the continues efforts on your part in the upcoming 2023/2023 season. Have a wonderful summer! We will reach out at the end of August to share the opening of Soup Kitchen. God Bless!

## OFFERINGS

Place your offering in the plates are at the welcome tables. Or give online at [www.firstprescaldwell.org/donate](http://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>

## 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](mailto:lauren@firstprescaldwell.org).

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## **OUR STAFF**

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

**Valerie Shondel**, *Director of Music*

**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*

*Weekday Nursery School - 973-226-6674*

*<http://www.firstpresnurseryschool.com>*

**David Hicoek**, *Superintendent*

*Prospect Hill Cemetery - 973-228-4410*

*[prospecthillcemetery@firstprescaldwell.org](mailto:prospecthillcemetery@firstprescaldwell.org)*

**Dr. Robert R. McGruther**, *Pastor Emeritus*

## **THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT CALDWELL**

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## **CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

***ALL SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE VIA LIVESTREAM***

### ***SUNDAY, JUNE 4th***

*9:30 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary*

*10:30 AM Coffee Hour, Room 120*

*11:00 AM Contemporary Service, Chapel*

### ***MONDAY, JUNE 5th***

*7:00 PM Volleyball, Fellowship Hall*

### ***TUESDAY, JUNE 6th***

*9:30 AM Staff Meeting, Parlor*

*5:00 Building & Grounds, Parlor*

*6:30 PM Pickleball, Fellowship Hall \*Currently FULL*

### ***WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7th***

*7:00 PM PNC Meeting, Parlor*

### ***THURSDAY, JUNE 8th***

*6:00 PM Pickleball, Fellowship Hall*

*7:00 PM Genesis Rehearsal, Choir Room*

### ***SUNDAY, JUNE 11th***

*9:30 AM Worship Service, Sanctuary*

*10:30 AM Lemonade on the Lawn, Church Lawn*

*11:00 AM Contemporary Service, Chapel*