

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

# Highlights



## A Letter from S.C. Toe, Minister of Music

What are some of the things that come to your mind when you think about Christianity? What image does your mind's eye conjure when you think "Christian"? Let us take it a step further, what do you think those who are not Christian think of when they think "a Christian"?

As far back as 111 AD, Pliny the Younger wrote of these seemingly strange followers of a carpenter, "They would gather early in the morning and sing joyfully to one another, singing hymns to Christ as to a god."

We are a singing people!

Music can help us share our feelings when perhaps we cannot find the words. It can still a frantic temper, it can liven the defeated soul. Music can offer comfort and encouragement to the suffering, and it can inspire great joy in the sorrowful. Music has an extraordinary power to share stories.

Often a church music department is seen as an ornament to our worship rather than an essential part to our mission and calling. Music is an act of worship, a tool for theological education, and a way to build community.

I would like to personally invite each of you to a very special afternoon of musical storytelling. Next Sunday, May 31 at 4:00pm in our Sanctuary, a festival choir composed of members from the Chancel Choir, congregation, and community will present *Glory to God: Our Sung Faith*. This concert will feature the incredible hymns of the faith that we all know and love, but presented in fresh, vibrant, and exciting new arrangements.

Please make plans to join us for an afternoon of inspiration, community, and praise. Your presence and support sustain the musical life of our church and allow us to keep sharing our faith through song.

See you at the concert!

S.C. Toe  
Minister of Music

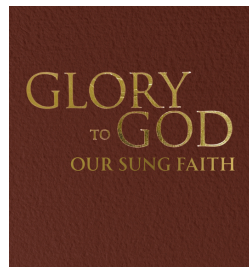


## Sponsorship Concert: "Glory to God: Our Sung Faith"

Sunday, May 31 | 4 PM | Sanctuary

This annual community-based event brings together music lovers from all walks of life to learn and create something beautiful. This year's concert will share familiar hymns set to arrangements that beautifully paint what the text conveys.

The Festival Choir, comprised of community members and the FCPC Chancel Choir, and accompanied by Don Megahan and chamber orchestra, look forward to sharing this time of music-making with you!



# HARVEST FAIR

## Harvest Fair 2026 is Happening! September 11–12, 2026

We are excited to announce that the Harvest Fair will return this year — though it will look a little different as we continue this beloved tradition together. Thank you for your flexibility, enthusiasm, and support as we prepare for another wonderful year of fellowship and fundraising!

### Help Needed Today!

We invite anyone who is able to help us prepare the space this Sunday following the 11:00 a.m. worship service. We will be setting up the children's space and preparing the lower level to begin receiving donations.

### Donation Drop-Off Days

Beginning June 2, donations may be dropped off on:

Tuesdays: 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Thursdays: 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

*Please do not bring donations before June 2.*

### This year, the Harvest Fair will feature the following departments:

- Oldtiques (Furniture & Antiques)
- Clothing
- Children's Clothing
- Toys
- Linens
- Housewares
- Art
- Holiday
- Better Clothing
- Jewelry

### Please Do Not Donate:

- Gardening and potting materials
- Tools
- Luggage
- Pet supplies
- Sporting goods
- Books
- Office supplies

Thank you for helping make the Harvest Fair possible!

This year we are using SignUpGenius to help track volunteers as well as to add specific tasks and times from our department heads. Visit [www.tinyurl.com/harvestfairvolunteer](http://www.tinyurl.com/harvestfairvolunteer) or scan the QR code to sign up!

If you have any questions, please contact [harvestfair@fcpc.us](mailto:harvestfair@fcpc.us).



## Caring Ministries

### Caregiver Coffee Hour

Friday, May 29 | 10 - 11 AM | Lounge

Caring for someone with physical, developmental, mental health, or age-related challenges can feel overwhelming and lonely. Caregiver Coffee Hour is an opportunity to give and receive support from other caregivers through conversation, the sharing of ideas, and prayer. All caregivers are welcome. You do not need to sign up, just drop in for a warm cup of coffee or tea. Hope to see you there.



Contact Nikki Rosswog at 412-963-8466 or [nikki@fcpc.us](mailto:nikki@fcpc.us) with questions.



# Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church


## Remembering & Honoring Our Loved Ones

### *Pentecost 2026*

From	In Memory Of
Linda Ahlstedt	Douglas Ahlstedt
Chad & Hillary Bennetts	Ron Carlson
Dr. & Mrs. Ellsworth T. Bowser	Capt. David E. Bowser, VSMC
The Campbell Kids	Shirley & Jim Campbell
Susan & Bill Follansbee	Ben Follansbee
Dr. & Mrs. David Fowler	Mrs. Dolores J. Fowler Mrs. Frieda L. Caldwell
Cristie & Lance Good	Bob Kelly
Jenna Oehrle Rodrigues	Lee R. & John S. Oehrle Elizabeth "Betsy" Oehrle
Beth Meyer	Bill Meyer & His Parents Paul & Anne Winn
Connie & Mike Phillips	Mary Anne Koch Mary Harrison
Wilberta Pickett	John Pickett
Ward & Fay Powell	Edgar Powell Joseph Christie
Connie Richless	Twila, Alex, & David Dunlap

From	In Memory Of
George & Jenny Siple	Gwen S. Moss
Jocelyn Thompson	John Evans Rose Esmé Pattison Rose
Diane Tung	Al Tung Eleanor & Bill Crago
The Welsh Family	Our deceased Munns/ Steele/Welsh loved ones

From	In Honor Of
Sara Horsman	Cynthia Steeble Richard Horsman
The Mettenburg Family	FCPC's Graduating Seniors FCPC's Confirmation Class
Beth Meyer	Carey Anne & Joe Curran & Family Mark & Amy Meyer & Family
Jenny & George Siple	Bill, Iva, & Laura Siple



## Get Involved in Upcoming Groups & Events

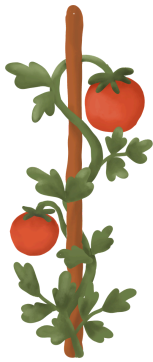
### FCPC Fellowship Summer Bike Ride

Saturday, June 13 | 9 AM | Church Parking Lot

Come join us for our Summer Fellowship Bike Ride. Meet in the church parking lot for early coffee and donuts. Our route will start at Millvale Riverfront Park and we'll ride to the Point and back, crossing over the Allegheny River on the Ft. Duquesne bridge (~7 miles). All levels of personal fitness are welcomed to join us (like kids!).

We will meet at the church parking lot and then travel together to the planned path. We promise great fellowship as well as some good exercise.

Hope to see you there! Contact Paul Privett to RSVP at [privettp@hotmail.com](mailto:privettp@hotmail.com)



### FCPC Hunger Garden - Family Summer Service Project

Interested in helping grow food for local families in need? Last year our Hunger Garden produced over 400 lbs of fresh produce for our local food pantries. We need your help to make it happen again! All skill levels are welcome; no previous experience needed; instructions for tending will be provided. Come grow your knowledge of how things grow!

Beginning May 31st, sign up your family for a week of tending the garden by scanning the QR code or visiting [www.fcpc.us/children-and-family-ministry](http://www.fcpc.us/children-and-family-ministry).

Questions? Contact Cristie Good at 412-251-6576, [cristiegood@gmail.com](mailto:cristiegood@gmail.com)



### Mission Trip to North Carolina - July 18-24

Join Pastor Cheryl on a mission trip to Mars Hill, North Carolina, July 18-24! Shadyside Presbyterian Church has invited us to participate in their annual trip, serving alongside neighbors near and far while building meaningful relationships through faith and service. This year, we hope to send a small delegation from our church to learn more about the experience and help us prepare for a larger group trip in 2027.

If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please contact Pastor Cheryl ([cheryl@fcpc.us](mailto:cheryl@fcpc.us)). To register visit [www.fcpc.us/service-opportunities](http://www.fcpc.us/service-opportunities) or scan the QR code.



### Bike4Haiti - Haiti H2O Fundraiser Bike Ride

Haiti H2O invites you to join them on an unforgettable ride! Join Haiti H2O: Hope to Opportunity for a fully supported ride on the Great Allegheny Passage, July 18-26, 2026. The ride raises funds to invest in Haitian-led solutions in four remote villages. Choose your adventure – come enjoy a day, weekend, or week-long ride with Haiti H2O's fully-supported Bike4Haiti. Experience the joy of riding the rail trails while also riding for a reason!

For more information or to register, visit [www.haitih2o.org/bike-4-haiti](http://www.haitih2o.org/bike-4-haiti).



# Children & Family Ministries (Infant-5<sup>th</sup> Grade)



**Sunday Kids' Church  
in Kids Kingdom**

Designated Programming for Kids 3-10  
& Staffed Nursery Care for 0-3

Each week children are invited to listen to an interactive telling of a Bible story taught by our Preschool's Barbara Patterson. Children are then able to engage in activities, games, and crafts that enhance the stories' lessons.

A Nursery staffed with our Preschool's Jennifer Anderson (and team) is open during services for children ages 0-3

**Questions? Contact Sam Harding.**  
sam@fcpc.us | 412-726-0322

## Sunday Morning Volunteers Needed!

The Sunday morning Kids' Church is in desperate need of adult volunteers. Without enough volunteers each week, during each service, we will be forced to cancel due to the legality of an adult to student ratio. Signups are available for the entirety of 2026. Please consider volunteering an hour of your time!

We can't keep this essential program going without your help. As a volunteer, it's super easy and lots of fun—we handle all the planning. All that's needed is for you to join us during Kids' Church to help with a game or activity. Sign up today and let's make a difference together!

Scan the QR code or visit  
<https://tinyurl.com/FCPCkidschurch>  
to sign up.



**SIGN UP!!**



**FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
vacation BIBLE school**

SCAN TO REGISTER

**EMERALD CROSSING**  
An Irish Adventure Through Psalm 23

\$50/STUDENT  
AGES 5-12

JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>-17<sup>TH</sup>  
1 PM - 4PM

## Now Hiring - Children's Program Coordinator

Part-time | 5-12 hours per week | Year-round

Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church is seeking an additional part-time Children's Program Coordinator to join our Children's Ministry Team. This role is ideal for someone passionate about mentoring children and supporting their faith journey through engaging programs, activities, and meaningful relationships. Coordinators would work with both Sam Harding and Barbara Patterson as part of the Team. For more info, contact Sam Harding at 412-726-0322.

**Interested?** Find the full job description at  
[www.fcpc.us/job-opportunities](http://www.fcpc.us/job-opportunities).



**FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
vacation BIBLE school**

JULY 13<sup>TH</sup>-17<sup>TH</sup>  
12 PM - 4:30PM

**EMERALD CROSSING**  
An Irish Adventure Through Psalm 23

AGES: 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADUATES - 99 YEARS OLD  
**VOLUNTEER SIGN UP!**



## Children's Ministry Contacts

### Sam Harding

Director of Christian Education & Youth Ministry  
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### Children's Program Coordinators

Barbara Patterson | [onepurplemom@gmail.com](mailto:onepurplemom@gmail.com)  
Claudia Charley | [claudia@fcpc.us](mailto:claudia@fcpc.us)

## Youth Ministry (Grades 6-12)

### JUNE SCHEDULE

May 31<sup>st</sup> - Youth Group - 2:00-3:30 PM

June 7<sup>th</sup> - Kick off to Summer Bash!

June 13<sup>th</sup> - Animal Shelter Volunteer Day

June 20<sup>th</sup> - KENNYWOOD!

**SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER AT VBS!**

### KENNYWOOD

\$45

Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>

10:30 AM

Transportation  
Provided



RSVP by  
June 13<sup>th</sup>

\*OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS GOING INTO  
6<sup>th</sup> GRADE - 12<sup>th</sup> GRADE\*



### SAVE THE DATES

### YOUTH GROUP SUMMEREVENTS

SAT  
JULY 11

PIZZA & MOVIE NIGHT  
PRINCE OF EGYPT  
5PM

SAT  
AUG 15

PARTY IN THE PARK  
O'Hara Community Park  
10am - 1pm

\*OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS GOING  
INTO 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE - 12<sup>th</sup> GRADE\*

\*OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS GOING INTO 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE - 12<sup>th</sup> GRADE\*

ANIMAL SHELTER SERVICE PROJECT  
ANIMAL PROTECTORS OF ALLEGHENY VALLEY  
Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>

Transportation  
Provided!  
RSVP by  
June 10<sup>th</sup>



## Youth Ministry Contacts

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## FCPC Preschool

### Preschool 2026-2027 Space Available

Come see what all the excitement is about in our Tuesday/Thursday Twos classes— where we nurture tender hearts, curious minds, and strong bodies.

Register your child at [www.fcpc.us/preschool](http://www.fcpc.us/preschool) or call 412-406-6617.



### Preschool Contacts

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**Preschool Office Staff**

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# Prayer Requests of the Congregation

## We hold these friends in prayer:

- Alison Bischoff
- Carrie, friend of Diane Tung
- Jeff and Stephenie Carle, brother and sister-in-law of Nellie Boehm
- Fred Lese, Father of Kim Bartolacci
- Marcia Mayhew
- William Hirsch
- Meredith Adams
- Salli Letteri, friend of Lorraine & Jack Tabish
- Carl and Peggy Bonfiglio
- Carol, friend of Marcia Mayhew
- Margaret Shields
- Gil Damico, friend of Avon Null
- Bill Boag
- Jonny Wallisch

## We pray for Local Congregations:

- Trinity United Church of Christ, impacted by a devastating fire to their house of worship
- Northmont United Presbyterian Church
- Oakdale United Presbyterian Church
- Oakmont Presbyterian Church



*Prayer requests will be publicly listed for one month. Please re-submit your request if you would like to renew after a month. Requests made before end of day Wednesday will be published in the Sunday prayer list.*

## We pray for peace, aid, and consolation for all who suffer, including:

- For people affected by immigration policy.
- For safety to those traveling.
- For all facing economic uncertainty and food insecurity.
- For addicts in our community to heal and recover.
- The people of Iran, Israel, Gaza, Ukraine, Haiti, Sudan, Venezuela, and places in conflict, violence, and hunger.
- Refugees throughout the world.
- For our republic.

## We pray for those who grieve:

- For the family of Joan Milsom, who passed away on May 13, 2026. **A memorial service will be held at the church on Friday, May 29, at 11am.**
- For Kathy and Jim Smith, on the death of Kathy's father, Ronald Carlson, who passed away on May 9, 2026.
- For Sally Vogel and family on the death of her husband, Vic, who passed away recently.
- For Megan Coleman and family on the death of her husband, Tim, who passed away on April 18, 2026.

## Birthdays

- MAY 24** Bill Dawson, Laura Dawson, Deb Nichols, Mollie Wallisch  
**MAY 25** Judy Au, Adeline Baginski, Craig Connolly, Teddy Donovan, Susan Eshleman, Gail Hofer, Robert Leppert, Kim Siddons, Hannah Van Horn  
**MAY 26** Peggy Douglass, Mallory Durr, Kathy Friday, Diane Gerlach, Judy Grune, Tristan Johnston, Vicki Pieranunzi, Trish Dalby Stump  
**MAY 27** Oliver Plunkett  
**MAY 28** Jake DeMotte, Spencer Goehring, Ashley Hart, Holden Link  
**MAY 29** Carol Haeussner, June White  
**MAY 30** HC Fownes, Paola Motschman, Charlotte Sauer



## Deacon Blood Drive

There will not be a deacon blood drive this summer. The Blood Bank unfortunately cannot assure proper staffing; also, with all the church activities over the summer there is not an appropriate space to have a drive. If you wish to donate blood the nearest Vitalant donation center is in Harmar at 2585 Freeport Rd, phone number 877-258-4825. Thank you.

# This Week at FCPC

## SUN MAY 24

- 8:15 AM Cup & Loaf Service (Chapel)
- 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall), Kids' Church & Nursery Care (Kids Kingdom)
- 11 AM Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary), Kids' Church & Nursery Care (Kids Kingdom)

## MON MAY 25

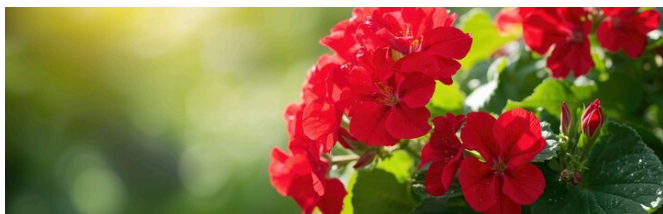
**Building Closed for Memorial Day**

## TUES MAY 26

- 8 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast (Lounge)
- 9 AM Preschool Summer Camp
- 5:45 PM Meditation Prayer Group (Lounge)

## WED MAY 27

- 9 AM Preschool Summer Camp
- 9:30 AM Staff Devotions & Meeting (Library)



## THU MAY 28

- 9 AM Preschool Summer Camp
- 9:30 AM GriefShare Group (Chapel)
- 7 PM Festival Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 8 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

## FRI MAY 29

- 9 AM Preschool Summer Camp
- 10 AM Caregiver Coffee Hour (Lounge)

## SAT MAY 30

- 11 AM Susette Stone Memorial Service (Sanctuary)

## SUN MAY 31

- 8:15 AM Cup & Loaf Service (Chapel)
- 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall), Kids' Church & Nursery Care (Kids Kingdom)
- 11 AM Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary), Kids' Church & Nursery Care (Kids Kingdom)
- 4 PM FCPC Sponsorship Concert (Sanctuary)

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## Giving

### Online Giving

- Now using giving platform, PushPay.
- + Scan the QR code to give
  - + Text the word GIVE to 833-830-6600



*As a PCUSA church, we welcome all persons who trust in God's grace in Jesus Christ and desire to become part of the fellowship and ministry of his Church. The Gospel leads our members to extend the fellowship of Christ to all persons. (Book of Order, G-1.0302)*



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