

HIGHLIGHTS

GROWING IN FAITH • SERVING IN LOVE • LIVING IN HOPE



Come and See What Your Generosity Can Do

One Service Sunday at 10am and Mission Fair after worship • October 4

On October 4, we will gather for One Service as a congregation. After worship, we invite you to stay for our Mission Fair and discover the people and organizations that are doing God's work in our community and around the world.

The Mission Fair is more than a display of organizations or a chance to learn where our mission dollars go. It is an opportunity to meet the people behind the ministries, hear their stories, ask questions, and discover ways that you might become personally involved. You may be surprised by what you discover.

Perhaps there is a ministry whose work speaks directly to your heart. Perhaps you will learn about an opportunity to volunteer. Maybe you will find a way to use your particular gifts and skills. Or perhaps you will simply leave with a deeper understanding of how the generosity of this congregation is making a difference.

Mission is not something that happens somewhere else. Mission is who we are as the church. So come spend the morning with your church family. Come meet our mission partners. Come hear their stories. Come discover where God is already at work—and consider how God might be calling you to join in.

See you October 4!



Membership Exploration Class

Sunday October 4 | 8:30 AM | Lounge

Curious about becoming more connected at our church? Join us for a Membership Exploration Class on October 4th before 10am worship (it's a One Service Sunday). This is a relaxed and welcoming opportunity to meet church leaders, learn more about who we are, what we believe, and how we live out our faith together. Whether you're new or have been attending for a while, this class is a great next step in getting connected. A continental breakfast will be provided and childcare will be available if requested.

Please register at <https://fcpc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/175/responses/new>



Haiti H2O Annual Pumpkin Sale

Oct 2 (11am-7pm), Oct 3 (10am-7pm), & Oct 4 (11am-3pm) | Church Front Lawn

Fall is here! Bring hope and opportunity to our friends in Haiti by ordering pumpkins, mums, or hay bales through Haiti H2O's annual Pumpkin Sale October 2nd – 4th. Every purchase supports Haitian-led projects in construction, healthcare, agriculture, and micro-business.

Volunteer in the Patch! The patch relies on dedicated volunteers to run smoothly—would you consider grabbing a shift this year?

Scan the QR code or visit www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EA8AE2FA2F9C07-65951797-2026#/ to sign up for a shift! Learn more about the Haitian community projects supported by H2O at haitih2o.org.



Music Ministry

Fall Music Rehearsals - Come Make Music

- Chancel Choir Rehearsals - Thursdays | 7:00pm | Choir Room
- Bell Choir Rehearsals - Thursdays | 6:00pm | Sanctuary
- Children's Choir Rehearsals - Sundays | 10:00am | Choir Room
- Cherub Choir Rehearsals - Sundays | 10:30am | Kids Kingdom

Questions? Contact S.C. Toe at sc@fcpc.us or just show up, all are welcome!

Come Sing! - 2026 Festival Choir

We are forming a Festival Choir composed of community members from high school aged and up to lead the annual Service of Lessons and Carols Sunday December 20th at 10:00am in the sanctuary. It does not matter whether you are a well-seasoned singer or have simply wondered what it would be like singing. Now is your chance!

Come and join in singing familiar Christmas classics that everyone knows and loves accompanied by organ and instrumentalists.

Rehearsals begin **Thursday, October 15th at 7:00pm to 8:00pm** in the Sanctuary and will continue each Thursday (excluding Thanksgiving, Thursday November 26th). Music will be distributed at rehearsal.

Come share the spirit of Christmas, make new friends, and help fill the church with joyful music. See you at our first rehearsal. We can't wait to sing with you!

Follow the QR Code for additional details or visit fcpc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/172/responses/new



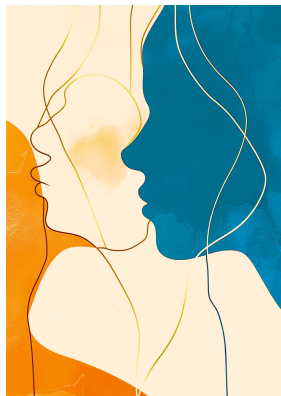
Adult Ministry

Annual Women's Retreat

November 6 (6:30pm - 8:30pm) & 7 (9am - 2:30pm) | At FCPC

Put the phone down. Push your computer and inbox aside, and step into God's grace with your sisters of faith. Pastor Cheryl Khylllep will lead reflections on worry, forgiveness, and practices of gratitude, with creative prayer and journaling woven throughout the weekend. Join us for joyful community as we seek the peace found in the love of God. This is a two day event and you get to sleep in your own bed. Cost is \$75 per person. Scan the QR code to register today!

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Friday Morning Book Group

Fridays | 9:30am | Starting October 9

Beginning Friday, October 9th the Friday Morning Book Group will begin discussing Tim Alberta's *Kingdom, Power, Glory: American Evangelicals in an Age of Extremism*, a New York Times bestselling investigation of faith and politics. Through the eyes of televangelists, small town preachers and celebrity revivalists, the award-winning journalist and staff writer for The Atlantic presents this timely, rigorously reported and personal examination of the divisions that threaten to destroy the American evangelical movement.

The Group meets by Zoom every Friday morning at 9:30am. To be added to the Zoom invitation list, call, text or email Bev Reding at 412/780-2444 or reding118@gmail.com. Books can be obtained from the bookseller of your choice and online from Amazon, Thrift Books, and others.

Mission Ministry

Tennis Shoe Recycling - Last day September 30

This is the last week to donate used sneakers for the Nike Reuse-A-Shoe Program. Donations are being collected in the large colorful box in the Red Tile Area. Your old sneakers will be recycled and used to build tennis courts, playgrounds, and running tracks! Cleats cannot be accepted. Gently used sneakers will be donated to Second Harvest and The Free Store. Thank you!



Soup Ministry Fall Kickoff: Come Stir Up Something Good!

October 3 | 11am | Kitchen

We're excited to kick off our Soup Ministry at Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church this fall, and we'd love for you to be part of it! Join us on **Saturday, October 3 at 11:00 AM** as we gather to make a fall favorite: **Pasta Fagioli**. Church members are invited to come to help prepare soup or donate ingredients that are needed. Whether you enjoy cooking, lending a hand, or contributing supplies, your participation will help make this ministry a blessing to our church and community.



Come be part of this meaningful kickoff — and help us stir up warmth, fellowship, and care! To sign up to cook or donate ingredients, visit www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D45A4A82AA0F8C70-65888241-soup or scan the QR code. Questions? Reach out to Nikki Rosswog at nikki@fcpc.us

Rise Against Hunger 2026

Oct. 10th | 9am | Fellowship Hall

Looking for ways to make a difference? It is time for us to team with our Mission Partners at Rise Against Hunger and provide 20,000 meals to needy souls around the world. Last year, the food purchased and packed by FCPC fed families in the Rift Valley in Burundi, a country in East Africa facing high levels of extreme poverty and food insecurity driven by internal conflicts destroying agriculture production and personal safety.

Our efforts for each of the past many years have enabled Rise to feed hungry and starving people. It is also a joy to engage with your fellow church members and enjoy this time serving others. **Children, teens, and adults of all ages are all welcome!**

We will gather at FCPC on Saturday morning, October 10th in the Fellowship Hall as we have in past years. Set up is at 8am, and we start packing at 9am. It is incredible but we get this all completed and ready to ship by noon!!

Scan the QR code to register for the event or to donate to Rise's mission.

Learn more about Rise Against Hunger's mission at <https://riseagainsthunger.org/>



"Won't You Be My Neighbor" - Local Seminary Conference

Oct 16-17 | Pittsburgh Theological Seminary

Sometimes, when we turn on the news, we feel overwhelmed by the fear, division, and suffering in our world—and we do not know what to do. This October, come away with other Christians for a two day conference as we listen deeply to God and to one another, reflect on what it means to love our neighbors, and discover faithful ways to respond.

The 2026 World Mission Initiative Conference and W. Don McClure Lecture, "Won't You Be My Neighbor? The Cost of Being Neighborly in the 21st Century," will be held October 16–17 at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Through worship, conversation, workshops, and reflection, we will explore how God is calling us to live with courage, compassion, and hope. Come be part of something bigger! For more information please reach out to Rev. Bala Khyllep (bkhylllep@pts.edu), the director of the World Mission Initiative and Pastor Cheryl's husband. Visit <https://www.pts.edu/McClure-Lecture-2026> for more information and to register for the event.

Thank You, Preschool Teachers

Our Preschool Teachers

Mrs. Ahern	Mrs. Demartino	Mrs. Moore
Mrs. Anderson	Mrs. Edwards	Ms. Pat
Mrs. B	Mrs. Ewald	Mrs. Patterson
Mrs. Bagaley	Mrs. Foley	Mr. Pete
Mrs. Baker	Mrs. Haas	Miss Rocha
Mrs. Brooks	Mrs. Hart	Mrs. Stelitano
Mrs. Carter	Mrs. Hemingray	Miss Strohm
Mrs. Champsi	Mrs. Irish	Ms. Susi
Mr. Chet	Mr. K	Mrs. Schwieger
Mrs. Conte	Mrs. Kokoski	Mrs. Walters
Mrs. Cubbage	Mrs. Miller	Mrs. Wolfe

Christian Nurture Committee

Claudia Charley	Cate Mettenburg
Toby Eberhart	Morgan Oberlin
Juli Huntington	Emily Rocha
Wayne Hoover	Amy Stabingas

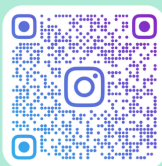
We also want to thank our volunteers for their dedication, patience, and loving care. Your guidance helps our youngest learners grow in faith, joy, and confidence! Thank you for all that you do!

Children & Family Ministries (Infant-5th Grade)

Sunday Kids' Church Updates

Children age 3 through 2nd grade: We are looking forward to moving back down to the lower level for Kids' Kingdom on September 20th and can't wait to worship with your kids. Please sign up for Kids' Church at the green FCPC Kids table prior to entering the service. During the service, they will be invited up to the front for the Children's Message. We will then head to **Kids Kingdom Room 310 (Lowest Level)**, where parents/guardians can pick them up following worship.

Children ages 3rd to 5th grade: We are excited to begin our **3rd-5th Grade Bible Class** starting on September 20th during your regularly attended service! Please note that **this is the only kids' church option available for children in the 3rd-5th grade age group.** Please sign up for Kids' Church at the green FCPC Kids table prior to entering the service. During the service, they will be invited up to the front for the Children's Message. Following the Children's Message, children will be led to **Kids Kingdom Room 302 (Lowest Level)**, where parents/guardians can pick them up following worship.



FCPC Children Instagram Activity Page
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Parents of children
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CHERUB CHOIR



Who: Children 2 years to Kindergarten
When: Sundays starting September 20th
Time: 10:30-10:55am
Where: Kids Kingdom Basement Classroom # F302/304
Questions? claudia@fcpc.us

WNL WEEK NIGHT LIVE K-5

Fall Semester
5:30-7 pm
Dinner Will Be Served!



9 / 22	11 / 3
9 / 29	11 / 10
10 / 6	11 / 17
10 / 13	11 / 24
10 / 20	12 / 8
10 / 27	

Children's Ministry Contacts

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FCPC Preschool

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Interested in having your preschooler join the FCPC Preschool? Have questions about the enrollment process? Contact Karin Miller or the preschool office to schedule a tour!



Preschool Contacts

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Youth Ministry (Grades 6-12)

Youth Weekly Schedule

Sundays 2 pm Youth Group

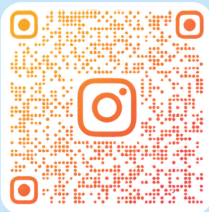
Tuesdays 7:15 pm Youth Bible Study

Thursday 10/1 7:30pm Confirmation Class

All events are in the Youth Lounge unless otherwise specified.

Visit the Youth Web Page at fcpc.us/youth-ministry for additional details

**MISSION TRIP
INFORMATIONAL MEETING**
OCT. 15TH, 2026 @ 6:30 PM
YOUTH LOUNGE
YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP
JULY 18 - JULY 23, 2027
NIAGARA FALLS, NY



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Activity Page**

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**DISCOVER THE MEANING,
PURPOSE, AND POWER OF
CONFIRMATION**
**7TH
GRADE +**
STUDENT CLASSES
FIRST THURSDAY
EVERY MONTH
7:30-9:00 PM



**LAURELVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
MUD WEEKEND**
DECEMBER 11-13



**LAURELVILLE
MUD
WEEKEND**
MIDDLE SCHOOL
NOVEMBER 13-15



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Prayer Requests of the Congregation

We hold these friends in prayer:

- Tom Jolly
- Basil Barna, friend of Cheryl Khylllep
- Anderson Miller, granddaughter of Karin Miller
- Nancy Wolfensberger, friend of Diane Tung and Debbie Hanlon
- Theresa Doerfler
- Lisa Todd
- Lyndsay Malinaro, niece of Pete Waterkotte
- Laurie Kassim
- Jim Eisengart
- Marilyn Lese, mother of Kim Bartolacci
- Jim Coyne, family of Marti White & Matt Scott
- Joan Wildpret and Carole B.

We pray for those who grieve:

- For Penny Meyer and family on the death of her husband, Bill Meyer, on Sept. 16.
A memorial service will be held on Friday, Oct. 2, at 2pm at the Church.

We celebrate with:

- Tim and Jules Savatt on the birth of their daughter, June Alice Savatt, on Sept. 10.
- Dave and Jaye Tupponce on the marriage of their daughter, Jenna Tupponce to Anthon Funderburk, on Sept. 19.

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

- For people affected by immigration policy.
- 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 Local Congregations:

- Central Presbyterian Church of Tarentum
- Cheswick Presbyterian Church
- Christ Community 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.

Birthdays

SEPT 27 Whit Braham, Violet Sundy

SEPT 28 Kathy Demetri, Brad Harrison, William Kofmehl, Will Marcussen, Peter McIlroy, Maddie Myerburg, Julie O'Shaughnessy Battle, Tim Savatt, Nancy Vincett

SEPT 29 Brice Delaney, Danny Downey, Anne Minor

SEPT 30 Ellie Abel, Daniel Krebs, Kurt Krebs, Lauren Kudrick, Marleigh Marcussen, John Moussa, Peter Moyer, Isabella Sackett, Kurt Winter

OCT 1 Linda Ahlstedt

OCT 2 Lorraine Haas, Libby Kauper, Charlie Skinner

OCT 3 Pat Denny, Adelynn Hunter



Office Support for Online Events, Forms, Etc.

As we work to ensure our Church is keeping up with technological advancements, some may be feeling left behind. Our church office staff is here and happy to help you navigate (or work around) our online systems. Please do not hesitate to stop by or call the office at 412-963-8243. Katie or Sarah can help you sign up over the phone, provide event details, and help navigate church related tech needs as they arise.

This Week at FCPC

SUN SEPT 27

8:15 AM Cup & Loaf Service (Chapel)
9:30 AM Contemporary Service (Fellowship Hall),
Kids' Church (Kids Kingdom), Nursery (Kids
Kingdom)
10:00 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
10:30 AM Cherub Choir Rehearsal (Kids Kingdom)
11 AM Traditional Service (Sanctuary), Kids'
Church (Kids Kingdom), Nursery (Kids Kingdom)
12 PM Preschool Teacher Reception (Atrium)
2 PM Youth Group (Youth Lounge)

MON SEPT 28

9 AM Preschool
7 PM Session Meeting (Chapel)

TUE SEPT 29

8 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast (Lounge)
9 AM Preschool
5:30 PM Weeknight Live (Fellowship Hall)
5:45 PM Meditation Prayer Group (Lounge)
7:15 PM Youth Bible Study (Youth Lounge)

WED SEPT 30

9 AM Preschool
9 AM Staff Devotions & Meeting (Library)
10 AM Disciple Bible Study (Chapel)
7 PM Women's Bible Study (Chapel)

THU OCT 1

9 AM Preschool
9:30 AM GriefShare (Chapel)
6 PM Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
7 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
7:30 PM Confirmation Class (Youth Lounge)

FRI OCT 2

9 AM Preschool
11 AM - 7 PM Haiti H2O Pumpkin Sale
2 PM Bill Meyer Memorial Service (Sanctuary)

SAT OCT 3

11 AM Soup Ministry Soup Making (Kitchen)
10 AM - 7 PM Haiti H2O Pumpkin Sale

SUN OCT 4

8:30 AM Membership Exploration Class (Lounge)
10 AM One Service Sunday (Sanctuary), Kids'
Church (Kids Kingdom), Nursery (Kids Kingdom)
11 AM Mission Fair (Atrium & Chapel)
11 AM - 3 PM Haiti H2O Pumpkin Sale
2 PM Youth Group (Youth Lounge)

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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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