

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Highlights



Letter from the Interim Pastor

I began my work with you a few weeks ago on Ash Wednesday at the beginning of Lent, and I will say first that I have enjoyed my time with you. Lynn and I feel accepted and welcomed among you. Thank you. This past Sunday, we experienced Easter and the triumph of Jesus' resurrection from the dead. It was a glorious day!

As your interim pastor, my first goal was to move you through Lent and Easter, a busy and spiritually important season. During that time, I worked closely with staff, attended committee and Session meetings, and met with many of you individually. My work has been enlightening and inspiring, as I have witnessed your faithful efforts to build up the Kingdom of God through the ministries of this church.

Now that Holy Week and Easter are past, I will begin to work more intentionally with the Session and staff to guide Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church into your next chapter of ministry. My job here is to prepare the way for your next "permanent" installed pastor. My contract is for a year, but the average time for a pastoral search is 18 months - or longer if a church has experienced significant pain or grief. Only God knows how long it will take!

You are a strong church with much to offer, though recent staff turnover has created some uncertainty and mistrust. My first mandate is to help create greater stability, trust, consistency, and unity within the staff and Session. I also plan to work with the Administration and Personnel Committee to better understand why staff quit, and what can be done to attract, hire, and retain professional staff members who are talented, motivated, and commit to stay. Your input is valued, and you are invited to share your thoughts with me. My office door is generally open, and my email is john@fcpc.us.

Programmatically, your tight Sunday worship schedule limits opportunities for Christian education and fellowship, and I encourage Session to examine this for the long-term health of the church. I also hope to strengthen connections with the Presbytery, empower refreshed leadership, and increase worship attendance.

I look forward to what the future holds for us together. As I said last Sunday, it is a joy and privilege to proclaim the Gospel, and I thank you for the opportunity to do so here. I believe God has brought us together "for such a time as this."

Shalom!

The Rev. Dr. John H. Bell, Jr.



The Heritage Gospel Choral of Pittsburgh Concert

April 19 | 4 - 5 PM | Sanctuary

The Heritage Gospel Chorale of Pittsburgh will be presenting a concert here in the sanctuary. The chorale is founded and conducted by renowned Pittsburgh-area music director Dr. Herbert V.R.P. Jones. The concert is free to all! See you there!

Membership Exploration Class

April 26 | 12 PM | Lounge

Curious about becoming more connected at our church? Join us for a Membership Exploration Class in the Lounge on April 26 following the 11:00 a.m. service. 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. Lunch will be provided and childcare will be available if requested.

Please register online at fcpc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/142/responses/new or by scanning the QR code.

We hope you'll join us!



Get Involved in Upcoming Groups & Events



Warmth in a Bowl - Soup Ministry

Our Soup Ministry volunteers have prepared fresh batches of Stuffed Pepper Soup and Potato Corn Chowder. If you know someone - a neighbor, a friend, or a fellow church member who could use a warm meal and a reminder of God's love, please stop by the church kitchen. Containers are located in the freezer labeled "Soup Ministry." Please take what you need to be a blessing to others!

In Christ - *Nikki Rosswog and Juli Huntington*

Volunteer for Vacation Bible School

MON-FRI | JULY 13-17 | 12 PM - 4:30 PM

Join us for a week of fun as a VBS volunteer! All ages from 5th grade graduates to 99 years old and beyond are welcome to volunteer. For more information, contact Sam Harding (Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministry) at sam@fcpc.us.

Scan the QR code or visit <https://fcpc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/138/responses/new> to sign up!



Women's Bible Study - Spring Session

Wednesdays | Beginning April 8 | 7 - 8 PM | Library
Thursdays | Beginning April 9 | 1 - 2:30 PM | Chapel

Women's Bible Study is growing at FCPC, and we'd love to invite any interested women to join us for a 5-week study on the book of Ephesians starting in April. For this session there are two groups, one Thursday afternoons and a new Wednesday evening group, to accommodate more schedules. Any questions can be directed to Cristie Good at cristiegood@gmail.com or 412-251-6576.

Scan the QR code or visit <https://fcpc.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/122/responses/new> to sign up.



🎵 Music at FCPC 🎵



Mark Your Calendar - Upcoming Concerts at FCPC

- April 19th 4:00pm-5:00pm - The Heritage Gospel Chorale of Pittsburgh
- May 2nd 7:30pm-9:00pm - Pittsburgh Concert Chorale Concert
- May 17th 3:00pm-4:30pm - Jeffrey Dean Memorial Recital
- May 31st 4:00pm-5:00pm - FCPC Sponsorship Concert

Get Involved in FCPC's Music Groups

Children's Choir Rehearsals

Sundays 10:15am-10:50am (Choir Room)

Bell Choir Rehearsals

Thursdays 6:00pm-6:45pm (Sanctuary)

Contemporary Worship Band Rehearsals

Sundays 8:00am-9:30am (Fellowship Hall)

Festival Choir Rehearsals

Thursdays 7:00pm-8:00pm (Sanctuary)

Prayer Requests of the Congregation

We hold these friends in prayer:

- Ray Eddy, cousin of Nellie Boehm
- Isaac Caldwell, son of Armand Caldwell
- Carol, friend of Marcia Mayhew
- Pauline Carnahan
- Lorraine, friend of Debbie Hanlon
- Ronald Carlson, father of Kathy Smith
- Mary Kay Spolar, friend of Brian Baxter
- Ward Powell
- Margaret Shields
- Pat Taylor
- Stephenie Carle, sister-in-law of Nellie Boehm
- Gil Damico, friend of Avon Null
- Tim Coleman
- Bill Boag
- Jonny Wallisch

We celebrate with:

- Steve and Juli Huntington on the birth of their grandson, Murphy Thomas Columbus, born March 13, 2026.

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 Robert Wilson and family on the death of his wife, Suzanne, who passed away on April 9, 2026.
- For Debbie Demmler, Diane Demmler, and family on the death of their brother, Rick, who passed away on April 5, 2026.
- For June White and family on the death of her daughter, Gayla White, who passed away on March 13, 2026.

Birthdays

APR 5 Ian Bell, Graham Childs, Julie Lawson, Adrien Yver

APR 6 James Kudrick, Paul Rowland

APR 7 Griffin Annegan, Kathryn Rockwell, Robyn Thomson

APR 8 Brooke Anderson, Kim Chivinsky, Mike Connor, Violet Eberhart, Trip Goehring, Keith Haw, Walt McGhee, Jennifer Ward

APR 9 Kara Dor, Emilie Lawson, Gustave Rieck, Mia Trozzo

APR 10 Peter Burk, Aaron Feldman, Susan Rattner

APR 11 Gail Harger, Cliff Hendry, Louise Sturgess, Timothy Wilson

APR 12 Nancy Brownell, Jeff Crowe, Chris Lattimore, Luke Nalevanko, Chris Yukevich

APR 13 Jack Sipe, Sally Wolfanger

APR 14 Christine Beard, Becca Jones, Lisa Todd

APR 15 Greg Close, Connie Richless

APR 16 Jeff Miller, Tracey Reading, Kelly Sample

APR 17 Ells Bowser, Lisa Brink, Thomas Farrell, Carrie Work, Jerry Zaleski

APR 18 Rick Downey, Nancy Edelman, Ainsley Good, Tyler Work

APR 19 Kelly Power, Taylor Thiele

Stewardship Pledges Update

The Stewardship Committee thanks all the members that have made a pledge for 2026. If you have not made a pledge, you can complete a pledge online at [FCPC.US/giving](https://fcpc.us/giving) or request a pledge card from Alex Shroyer in the business office.

Pledges help guide decisions on missions, programs, and staffing for the coming year. As a reminder there are multiple ways to give beyond writing a check, including online giving, text-to-give, memorial gifts, and tax advantaged options such as gifts of stock or IRA charitable distributions. For assistance, please contact Alex Shroyer at alex@fcpc.us or 412-963-8243 ex. 15

This Week at FCPC

SUN APR 12* *Communion Sunday (All Services)

- 8:15 AM Cup & Loaf Service (Chapel)
- 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall), Kids' Church & Nursery Care (Kids Kingdom)
- 10:15 AM Children's Choir (Choir Room)
- 11 AM Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary), Kids' Church & Nursery Care (Kids Kingdom)
- 2 PM Youth Group (Youth Lounge)
- 4 PM Youth Bible Study (Youth Lounge)

MON APR 13

- 9 AM Preschool
- 6 PM Confirmation Class Meeting (Youth Lounge)
- 6 PM Cub Scouts Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 7 PM Building & Grounds Cmte (Chapel)
- 7 PM Christian Nurture Cmte (Library)
- 7 PM Fellowship Committee (Lounge)

TUES APR 14

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

WED APR 15

- 9 AM Preschool
- 9:30 AM Staff Devotions & Meeting (Library)
- 7 PM Women's Bible Study (Chapel)
- 7 PM Preschool Committee (Library)

THU APR 16

- 9 AM Preschool
- 9:30 AM GriefShare Group (Chapel)
- 1 PM Women's Bible Study (Chapel)
- 6 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7 PM Festival Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

FRI APR 17

- 9 AM Preschool

SAT APR 18

- 5 PM Youth Group (Youth Lounge)

SUN APR 19

- 8:15 AM Cup & Loaf Service (Chapel)
- 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall), Kids' Church & Nursery Care (Kids Kingdom)
- 10:15 AM Children's Choir (Choir Room)
- 11 AM Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary), Kids' Church & Nursery Care (Kids Kingdom)
- 4 PM Heritage Gospel Chorale of Pittsburgh 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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Children & Family Ministries (Infant-5th Grade)

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. There is a sign up 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 you to join us during Kid's 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://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D45A4A82AA0F8C70-47884780-sunday> to sign up.



Sign Up!!

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
vacation BIBLE school

EMERALD Crossing
An Irish Adventure Through Psalm 23

SCAN TO REGISTER

\$75/STUDENT
AGES 5-12

JULY 13TH-17TH
1 PM - 4PM

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
vacation BIBLE school

JULY 13TH-17TH
12 PM - 4:30PM

EMERALD Crossing
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AGES: 5TH GRADE GRADUATES - 99 YEARS OLD
VOLUNTEER SIGN UP!

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.



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FCPC Preschool

FCPC Preschool News!

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 at www.fcpc.us/preschool or call 412-406-6617.



Youth Ministry (Grades 6-12)

April Youth Schedule

- 5th - Easter! - NO YG
- 8th - Volunteer @ WNL Dinner 6pm-8pm
- 10-11th - Confirmation Retreat - Meet @ 5:30pm
- 12th - Youth Group & FINAL BIBLE STUDY
- 18th - SATURDAY - Youth Group 5pm-6:30pm
- 19th - NO YG
- 25th - Spring Session! Meet @ 8:00am
- 26th - Youth Group - 6:30-8pm!



High School
ALL-NIGHTER
MAY 8-9th
7 PM - 9 AM



DON'T FORGET

UPCOMING CONFIRMATION CLASSES

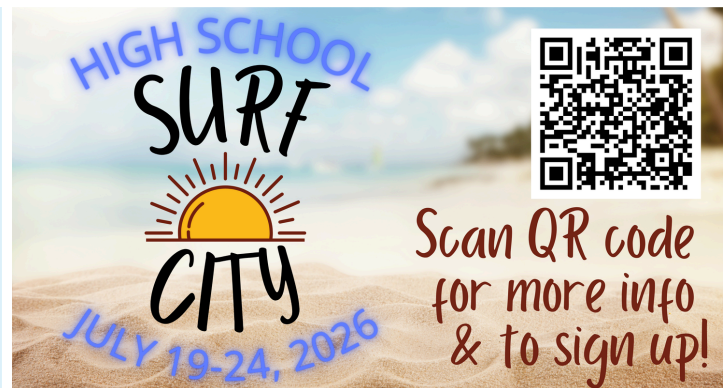
- Monday, April 13, 6 - 7:30pm!
- Monday, April 27, 6 - 7:30pm!



Scan QR code for more info & to sign up!

SURF
Middle School
CITY

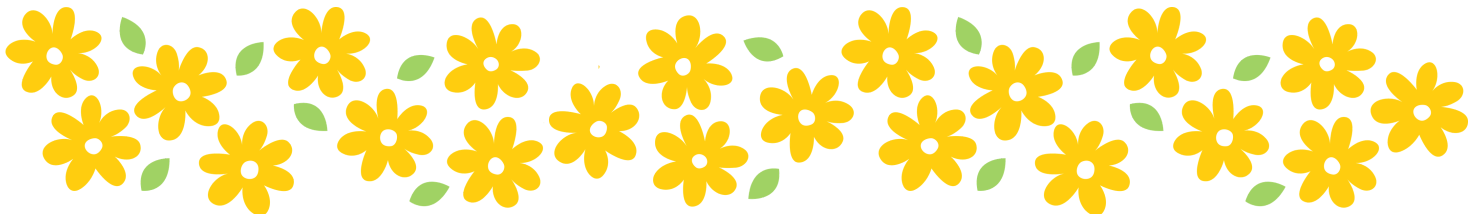

AUGUST 2-7, 2026



HIGH SCHOOL
SURF
CITY

JULY 19-24, 2026

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