

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Highlights



A Welcome to All

Welcome to Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church for this special time of worship on Christmas Eve. Whether you are here for the first time, here after being away for a while, or here every week, you are welcome here.

There's a place here for you. FCPC is a congregation that invites all people to experience the joy of God's love and acceptance, the support of a caring community of faith, and the transformation that comes with study and service together. Take a look at this newsletter and our website (www.fcpc.us) to see how you can join in! And reach out to one of our pastors if you'd like to meet or talk.

Thank you for joining us on Christmas Eve. May the wonder of God's love in Jesus be a special gift to you this Christmas and always.

Join Us for Sunday Worship

At FCPC, we experience thoughtful, thematic liturgy, which includes the prayers and spoken responses of the congregation. Our music ranges from the majestic organ and professional quartet to acoustic guitar and a full worship band. All are welcome in our worship services!

Sunday Worship Times

Cup & Loaf Service, 8:15 AM, Chapel
Contemporary Service, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall
Traditional Service, 11 AM, Sanctuary

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One Service Sunday - Farewell to Pastor Doug

December 28 | 10 AM | Fellowship Hall

Join us for a combined One Service on the last Sunday of the month at 10:00am in the Fellowship Hall, where we will be singing our favorite carols. We will also thank our beloved Bridge Pastor Doug Marshall for his time here at FCPC. The Fellowship Team will be serving coffee, apple cider, donut holes and mini-quiches before and after the service.

What a great way to continue the Christmas season and to say thank you to Pastor Doug. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Bridge Pastor Update

We have been blessed to have Pastor Doug with us as a Bridge Pastor. His term ends at the end of the month. We have been blessed by his ministry with us and wish him all the very best on his move.

We are very pleased to announce that Rev. Jim Gilchrest has agreed to serve as our Bridge Pastor beginning January 4th. Jim is well known to many in the congregation since he was a Bridge Pastor here before and was extremely well received. He was a greatly loved senior Pastor at Westminster Presbyterian Church for many years until his retirement several years ago. He is an Adjunct Instructor at Carnegie Mellon University as well as being very active in Presbytery and other organizations. He will be our Bridge Pastor on a 60% time base. We will be blessed by his renewed ministry with us.

Get Involved in Upcoming Groups & Events



Annual Chili Cook-Off

JAN 25, 2026 | 11:30 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Hope you're hungry! The 19th Annual BJ Ferguson Chili Cook-Off event is Sunday, January 25, 2026 immediately after the 10:00am Combined Service and the Congregational Meeting. It's never too early to start refining your recipes for one or more of the four categories: Traditional, Non-Traditional, Vegetarian/Heart Healthy and Youth. The coveted Chili Pot trophies will be handed out again.

In a new twist this year, we are encouraging you to send your favorite jokes to Chet Karas at karas756@comcast.net for potential inclusion in the Award Ceremony! You can sign up by email to Chet or in person on Jan. 4, 11 and 18 before or after each Service. Registrations close on January 21!

Caregiver Coffee Hour

Last Friday of every month | 10-11 AM | LOUNGE

Caring for someone with physical, developmental, mental health, or age-related challenges can feel overwhelming and lonely. 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 with questions

GriefShare

GriefShare is a welcoming support group that uses videos, group discussions, and personal workbooks to help you find hope after a loss. We are pleased to announce we will be hosting a new 13-week GriefShare session starting this spring. Keep an eye on our church Highlights for the official start date. You can also visit Find a Group on GriefShare.org to see our listing and register once the schedule is live. Please reach out to facilitators Gail Harger at gailharger@verizon.net with questions



Women's Bible Study

THURSDAYS | 1 PM | CHAPEL

Join us for the second half of Women's Bible Study in January focusing on Acts and Ephesians. This study is open to the community, so invite a friend! Materials cost is \$30.

For questions, reach out by email to:

Juli Huntington (juli_huntington@msn.com), Sarah Datt (sarahdatt@gmail.com),
Cate Mettenburg (cmettenburg@gmail.com), or Cristie Good (cristiegood@gmail.com).

Music at FCPC

Mark Your Calendar! Upcoming concerts at FCPC this season include:

February 15, 2026 4:00pm – The Heritage Gospel Chorale of Pittsburgh

March 15, 2026 4:00pm – Belle Voci

May 31, 2026 4:00pm – Sponsorship Concert

Get Involved in FCPC's Music Groups

Children's Choir Rehearsals

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

Contemporary Worship Band Rehearsals

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

Bell Choir Rehearsals

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

Chancel Choir Rehearsals

Thursdays 7:00pm-9:00pm (Choir Room)

Volunteer Opportunities



Fill the Truck Food Drive

FEB 8, 2026 | 8 AM-12 PM | CHAPEL

Get involved in FCPC's annual Fill the Truck event! Gather non-perishable goods such as cereal, pasta, peanut butter, paper towels, toiletries, etc., and bring them in during the month of January. Donations can be dropped off in the red tile area food donation boxes.

Join us on Sunday, February 8 to help us sort and pack donations into the truck to be delivered to local food pantries. All ages are welcome!

Children and Youth Ministries

An Invitation

If you are visiting us for tonight's service and you do not have a church home, we invite you to join us on a Sunday to see if this might be a place your family can grow.

At FCPC, we believe that kids can grow best when their family is part of a community that can support them through all of the various phases, joys, and (yes, let's admit it) trials of childhood and adolescence, and we would love to be this kind of community for your family.

So we invite you to visit us on a Sunday or for any of our regular church programs. Visit, listen, ask questions, come again if you feel so inclined. You are welcome anytime!



FCPC Kids

SUNDAY MORNINGS | 9:30 & 11:00 AM

The Nursery is open all morning for the littlest people age 0-3.

Kids' Church for K-5th graders meets during 9:30am and 11:00am Worship Services.

Wednesday Night Live

WEDNESDAYS | 6:15 PM | 1ST-5TH GRADE

Wednesday Night Live is a midweek program that gets kids moving and socializing and learning a little more about what's in the Bible and who they are in Christ. The program runs seasonally from 6:15-7:30pm on Wednesday evenings. Join us for our Spring kickoff on January 21st.

FCPC Youth

SUNDAYS | 6TH - 12TH GRADE

Youth Group meets Sundays from 2:00-3:30 pm.

Youth Bible Study meets Sundays from 4:00-5:30pm.



Questions? Contact Sam Harding, Director of Christian Education & Youth Ministry, at sam@fcpc.us



FCPC Preschool Tours

Families interested in learning more about the preschool and the enrollment process are encouraged to schedule a tour with us. Contact Karin, Stephanie, or Jason in the preschool office at karin@fcpc.us, 412-552-9382, or preschooladmin@fcpc.us. We're excited to hear from you!

This Week at FCPC

WED DEC 24 - Christmas Eve

Office Half Day - Closed at 12 pm

4:30 PM Children & Families Worship (Sanctuary)

6 PM Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Hall),
Nursery Care (Room 109),
Comfort Space (Room 107)

7:30 PM Traditional Candlelight Service (Sanctuary)
Nursery Care (Room 109),
Comfort Space (Room 107)

10 PM Traditional Candlelight Service (Sanctuary)

THU DEC 25 - Christmas Day

Building Closed

FRI DEC 26

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SAT DEC 27

SUN DEC 28

10 AM One Service Sunday (Fellowship Hall),
Nursery Care (Rm 109), Comfort Space (Rm 107)

11 AM Farewell Reception for Pastor Doug
Marshall (Fellowship Hall)

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