

Ministry Updates

April 21, 2024

Single Service on April 28 - On Sunday, April 28, all members of First Pres are invited to gather for a single worship service in the Sanctuary at 10 am. The message that day will be the story of Jonah, as told by our wonderful children's choir! They have been working hard all winter to prepare this "whale of a tale" to share with everyone. Jesus teaches us the joy and importance of welcoming children and we hope the pews will be packed as we all gather to learn from our children, celebrate their accomplishment, and share the joy of worshipping together.



Youth Sunday - Join us on Sunday, May 5th for Youth Sunday! Our 6th-12th grade students will be leading us in worship at both services and our high school seniors will be delivering the sermon. We appreciate your support of our young people!

Also make sure to join us in the fellowship hall from 10-10:45am that day because youth and their families are providing delicious pastries, bagels, and more!

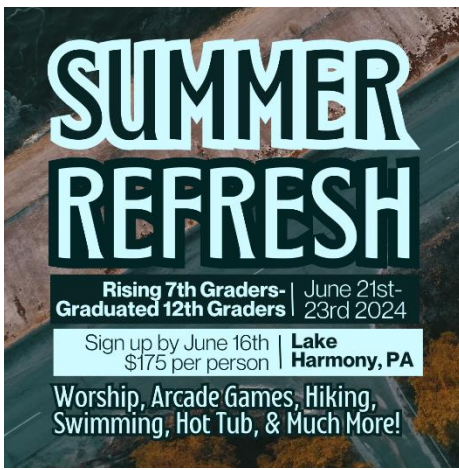
New Members Class – This class will be Sunday, April 28 from 11:15 am - 1 pm in the Chapel. If you'd like to find out more about membership at First Presbyterian, please reach out to Elizabeth Hess (ehess@firstpreswc.com).

Family Picnic - First Pres families with kids (babies through high schoolers) are invited to gather for a potluck picnic at Barker Park on Friday, May 3 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. A main dish will be provided, so please sign up on our website so we have an approximate number of attendees. You can also sign up to bring a dish to share with the group. Direct any questions to Diane Damadio (Diane.damadio@gmail.com or 484-362-8033). Hope to see many of you there!

Also, save the date for our Summer Parents Pool Party on the evening of Friday, July 12 at Diane & Brett's Damadio's home (rain date will be Sunday, July 14). This will be a parent only event. Book a sitter and bring a swimsuit for some summertime fellowship.

Pie and Hymn Sing - All are invited for a fun spring evening on Tuesday, April 30, at 6:30 pm for a hymn sing in Fellowship Hall – and pie! Sign up to bring a pie on the sign-up tab at firstpreswc.com. All ages welcome!

New Brunch & Learn on April 28 - Have you ever wondered about the lesser-known people in the Old Testament? Many of their stories are so brief and so buried that we miss knowing their stories and their lessons. Join your fellow wonderers this spring for a new adult study series called "Unknown Saints and Warriors." Our next session will take place on Sunday, April 28. Following our single worship service that day, we will gather starting at 11:15 am to learn and discuss the story of Absalom. A light brunch of pastries, fruit and drinks will be provided. Another session will be offered on May 19 when we will talk about Miriam. Sign-up through the sign-up tab on the church website and talk to Sara Pantazes with any questions.



SUMMER REFRESH
 Rising 7th Graders- June 21st-
 Graduated 12th Graders 23rd 2024
 Sign up by June 16th | Lake
 \$175 per person | Harmony, PA
 Worship, Arcade Games, Hiking,
 Swimming, Hot Tub, & Much More!



Art & Crafts Night
 + SERVICE PROJECT
 Sunday, April
 21st 4-5:30pm
 Join us for a fun & creative evening!



FIRST PRES YOUNG ADULTS
BEACH RETREAT
 JUNE 28TH-30TH 2024
 \$75 PER PERSON // VENTNOR, NJ

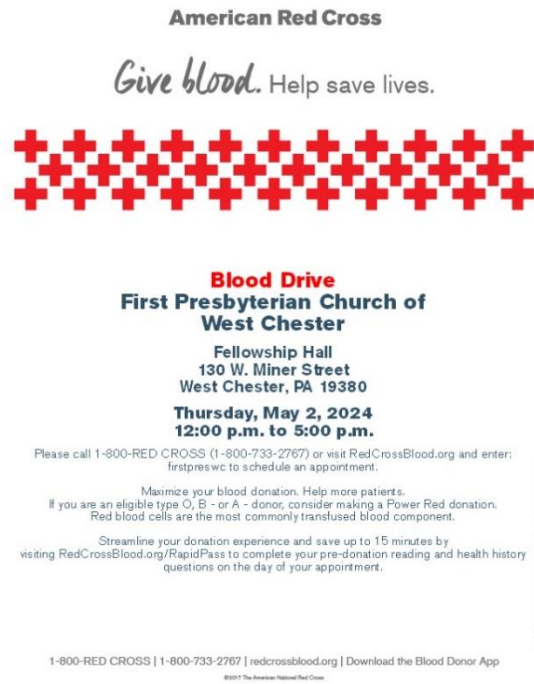
Youth Summer Refresh - All youth in 7th-12th grade are invited to join us this June 21st-23rd for an incredible weekend retreat in the Poconos! Join us for worship, hiking, swimming, and much more. The trip costs \$175 if you sign up by June 16th.

Youth Arts and Crafts Night - All youth in 6th-12th grade are invited to join us for a fun and creative evening on Sunday, April 21st from 4-5:30 pm. Invite a friend, we hope to see you there!

Young Adult Beach Retreat - All young adults are invited to join us for a refreshing beach retreat from June 28th-30th! The cost is \$75, sign up by June 21st. We would love to have you join us!



WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY MUSIC PERFORMANCE ALUMNI PRESENTS
SPRING SERENADE
 A MOTHER'S DAY CONCERT
 B. Smetana: Piano trio in C minor, op.15
 &
 F. Mendelssohn: String Octet in E-flat Major, op. 20
SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2021
3 PM
First Presbyterian Church
 130 W Miner St, West Chester, PA 19382
 Free admission
 Donations gratefully accepted at the door



American Red Cross
Give blood. Help save lives.
Blood Drive
First Presbyterian Church of West Chester
 Fellowship Hall
 130 W. Miner Street
 West Chester, PA 19380
Thursday, May 2, 2024
12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: firstpreswc to schedule an appointment.
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 Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.
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Greeters 9:00: Suzy DeGeorge, Barbara Lade **10:45:** Scott and Becky Gamble

Coffee Deacons: Sandy Lebold, Cynthia Menan

Livestream 9:00: Greg Ondo & Joe Tang



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