

This week's news...



April 28, 2022

Dear Friend,

Transparency

In my conversations with members wherein I ask for feedback about life at the church in general, one of the consistent requests made is more transparency about Session decisions and deliberations. That same concern was raised at a recent meeting and the assembled elders asked that our Recoding Clerk, Paul Urian, prepare a short listing of salient actions for reporting to the congregation via the weekly email and Sunday bulletin. The good news is that practice begins today with this summary:



Session Updates for Meetings on April 11 and April 25

Regular Session Meeting on April 11, 2022

- The Chair and Asst. Chair of the PNC (Maggie Sell and Rebeca Silva de Foote respectively) attended the meeting in order to update Session on the progress the PNC is making and to make a request. Maggie reported that we are seeing far fewer candidates than we or the Presbytery expected. There are several possible reasons and the largest one is pay. The PNC asked for Session approval to increase the compensation we could offer. After a discussion, Session voted to approve a motion to have the Finance Committee research ways to pay for the additional costs and to report back to Session in a Called meeting on April 25th. At that meeting we will vote on whether to increase the salary of the position. Session shared their gratitude for the hard work the PNC has been doing to find a new Senior Pastor.
- The Governance Committee led by Lorraine Gormley-Devine presented 3 motions to make small changes in our by-laws to reflect changes in the way we operate. All three motions passed.
- The Property Committee led by Paul Nussbaum updated us on two major projects:
 - There has been further discussion with the BPU and PSE&G regarding connecting our proposed solar panels to the grid. PSEG now says we can connect to the grid as long as our contractor installs equipment to protect the grid from damage. Our solar contractor is working with PSEG to see if this is feasible.
 - The Parlor project is proceeding. Contractors have been selected to do the ceiling replacement, the electrical upgrades and interior renovations. Work should begin within the next several weeks.
- The Communications Committee led by Margot Dark informed us that there is a plan to open the church on some Saturdays to make it available to the public. Two scheduled events in

- town on May 7th make this a good date to start with. We are looking for help to assist between Noon - 4 pm that day to pass out water and guide visitors to the Sanctuary
- Caroline Yount, Chair of the Mission Committee talked about our involvement in the National CROP Hunger Walk for Ukraine and asked for support of Session members.
 - There was a group discussion about sharing a summary of the Session Meeting Minutes in the Bulletin in this format. We also agreed to periodically publish the names of Committee Chairs and members.

Called Session Meeting On April 25, 2022

- The sole purpose of this meeting was to hear the Finance Committee's insight on how to fund the additional costs related to increasing the effective salary of the successful candidate in our PNC search. He highlighted that the change will not impact the 2022 Budget. Five options were presented. Warren said that we will most likely rely on a combination of these options.
- After discussion, a motion was made to increase the salary range we could offer our candidate of choice. The motion passed unanimously.

I hope this finds you well!

God bless,



Youth Mission Trip 2022 Fundraising!

MISSION TRIP DINE AND DONATE – WEDNESDAY MAY 4



Erlton Social Craft Bar & Kitchen

Will give 20% of Food Sales back to

at Erlton Social Craft Bar & Kitchen. Go out to dinner and help support the 2022 Mission Trip to Kentucky! Erlton Social Club is hosting a dine and donate on May 4 from 4pm-8pm. 20% of all food sales will benefit the Mission Trip! Please make sure to present the flyer when you go. (Look on church website for flyer.) The Mission Trip participants thank you for your support!



First Presbyterian Church of Haddonfield ASP Mission Trip

Present a printed flyer to your server for dine in fundraising.

*Dine & Donate @ Erlton Social Craft Bar & Kitchen
1536 N. Kings Hwy. - Cherry Hill - NJ - 08034*

Date & Time May 4th, 2022 4-8 pm

We look forward to seeing you at Erlton Social Craft Bar & Kitchen

[Click on flyer to print](#)

*Donation percentage based on food sales excludes tax, tip, alcohol & gift card sales or any other discount. Valid only on date and time listed above. Must present printed flyer in order for the organization to receive credit. For purchase: Use in only. Flyers are not to be distributed in the restaurant, building or within the vicinity of the parking lot or fundraiser will be disqualified.

YOU MUST PRESENT THIS FLYER FOR YOUR DONATION TO COUNT!

Mission Trip Raffle - Enter to Win Exciting Basket Collections!

Purchase Tickets April 25 - May 15 through any Mission Trip Participant, and before and after the 10am services on 5/1, 5/8, 5/15 \$10 each or 3 for \$20 Cash/Check/Realm/Venmo @FPCHaddonfield. Lucky Winners will be picked on May 16

FPCH Mission Trip Raffle

ENTER TO WIN ONE OF
OUR THREE INCREDIBLE
BASKETS WHILE
SUPPORTING OUR
MISSION TRIP TO
KENTUCKY WITH ASP IN
JUNE!



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Basket 1: Yeti Fun in the Sun

- Yeti Tundra 45 Cooler
- Yeti 20 oz tumbler
- Sun Bum sun screen
- 2 beach towels
- Aerobie frisbee
- Approx value: \$400



Basket 2: Crazy for Eagles

- Cooler bag
- 3x5 rug
- Light weight hoodie (sz L)
- Pullover (szL)
- Beanie and Baseball hat
- Tumbler
- Soft Shell coat (sz L)
- Vest (sz L)
- *Approx value \$500



Basket 3: Pies and Pictures

- Pies.....**
- \$50 Pie Lady gift certificate,
 - Pie Lady Cafe hoodie
 - 1 lb of La Colombe coffee and 2 mugs
 - Assorted baking utensils
 - Ceramic pie/quiche dish, wooden trivet and fragrant candle
 - Farmhouse hand towels and oven mitts
 - *Approx value: \$185

- And Pictures.....**
- Family Photo Shoot & Package with photographer Amanda Hall
 - half-hour family portrait session
 - full-resolution digital file and 5x7 prints of ten (10) images of your choice
 - Photography sessions must take place within Camden County. Sessions must be scheduled for a weekday morning (Monday through Friday). Please allow up to 12 weeks notice to schedule. Valid through May 1, 2023
 - *Approx value: \$800



MISSION TRIP WALL OF ENVELOPES!

Pick up a donation envelope in the hall by the Parlor. Donations can be made by check, on Realm, or on Venmo (@FPCHaddonfield).

Youth Group meets this Sunday, May 1, at 5 p.m. for snacks and fun. Maybe even outside!

HADDONFIELD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES PRAYER BREAKFAST, MAY 5

Hosted this year by the Haddonfield Methodist Church, 29 Warwick Rd. Breakfast is at 8:30 a.m. Tickets are \$10. Contact Ed Hess for information and tickets: edwh517@aol.com.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CELEBRATE BLANKET SUNDAY ON MOTHER'S DAY

Next week – May 8 – we receive this offering. You will find donation envelopes in the Sanctuary, or you may donate on Realm. Your gift purchases blankets used by Church World Service in its disaster response missions and its care of the world's homeless. See the CWS website here: <https://cwsblankets.org/>

Blanket the world with love





Choir Joy!

Last Sunday, the Kirk Ringers teamed up with Anthony Sharp to offer "The Gift of Love," arranged by Hal H. Hopson. [Click here for the video!](#)

... and Choir Style!

Matching shirts! Our music staff for Carol and Cherub Choirs (Paula Meyer, Nancy Ruth Wainwright, and Liz Olson) wore coordinated outfits for our last rehearsals on April 27. Each bought the top without realizing the others had also purchased it. Good taste!



PORCH BIBLE STUDY

Will meet on May 10 on Zoom at 7 p.m. to discuss James 4. All are welcome. Contact Deb Nussbaum: debranussbaum1987@gmail.com

BECOME A STEPHEN MINISTER!

Your Stephen Leaders will be offering information sessions about this important ministry and what's involved with becoming a Stephen Minister. Interested in learning more? Attend one of the upcoming information sessions in the Hospitality Center:

- May 17, 7 p.m.
- May 18, 10 a.m.



Registration is preferred. Please email stephenministry@haddonfieldpres.org. Questions? Talk with one of our Stephen Leaders: Lisa Hurd, Carol Carty, Joyce Stout, Rev. Nikki Passante

DOUG'S STUDY OF ACTS: A 14-week Bible Study on Acts *Into the World: The Acts of the Apostles*, Mondays at 11:00 a.m. [via Zoom](#). Remaining meetings: May 2, 9, 16, and 23.

DOUG'S TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY meets at 8 a.m. on Zoom. All are welcome. The texts for this week are Psalm 23 and John 10:22-30.

Vacation Bible School (VBS) for 2022

VBS 2022: DISCOVERY ON ADVENTURE ISLAND - Registration Now Open! Camp dates are July 25-July 29 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. We are looking forward to another great week of VBS this summer! This year explorers participate on an exciting quest to find five mysterious Infinity Lanterns to help light their way. Using map coordinates from the Reference Book (the Bible), children discover clues to finding each Lantern while learning how God's light shines in the lives of familiar biblical characters in Old and New Testament stories. VBS is open to kids 4 (fully potty trained) - 5th grade. Cost is \$35 per Explorer. Use the following link for registration: <https://fpchadventureisland22.mycokesburyvbs.com/>. Payment information will be sent once your registration is received.



VBS 2022 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We Need You! We are recruiting for Station Leaders (adults) and Shepherds (kids) for VBS 2022 taking place July 25-July 29 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Please contact Gabrielle Heimerling at gheimerling@haddonfieldpres.org if you would like to help out with what is sure to be an amazing week of camp.

YARD SIGNS FOR UKRAINE RELIEF STILL AVAILABLE

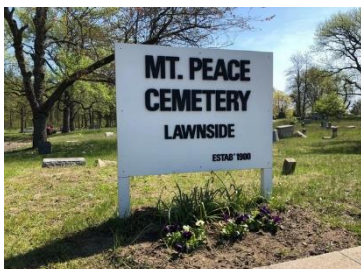
Proceeds to Feed My Starving Children

Signs are available for a \$20 donation. The Dark family and artist Diana Stimson are donating all proceeds to the Feed My Starving Children relief program, which is on the ground in Ukraine providing needed food. Signs are available in the church and Preschool Offices – cash, check, or Venmo (@Presby-Preschool) accepted.



MISSION AND OUTREACH:

There is Still Time to Donate to the National CROP Walk for Ukraine – The members of the FPC team for the National CROP Walk for Ukraine greatly appreciate all the support we have received. If you have not yet had a chance to donate, it's not too late. Please visit the following link to donate: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/2022/team/first-presbyterian-church-of-haddonfield>. The walk is raising funds to provide food, shelter, mental health care and child protection for Ukrainians seeking safety. All funds raised go toward supporting Ukrainian refugees.



And Cemetery Cleanup in Lawnside on Saturday, May 7 – Mount Peace Cemetery, a historically Black cemetery in Lawnside suffering from neglect and disrepair, is looking for volunteers to help in its clean up and preservation efforts. The cemetery is asking for help on Saturday, May 7. Please sign up to help using this link: <https://www.mtpeacecemeteryassociation.org/event-details/mount-peace-cemetery-spring-volunteer-service-day>

Questions? Email Caroline Yount, chair of the Mission and Outreach Committee: cnyount@gmail.com

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST

Please keep members and friends of the congregation in your prayers. The weekly Prayer List is available in Sunday's bulletin or online [here](#). If you would like to add a personal prayer request, please contact one of the pastors or Anne Vial. Please obtain the permission of the person needing prayer. *The [Prayer Request portal](#) on the website is available for private requests sent directly to the pastors.*

ST. WILFRID'S OPEN DOOR CLINIC

This week marks the **106th week** that the Open Door Clinic at St Wilfrid's has distributed food during the pandemic; **128 bags** again, **10,466 total through Saturday. Over 261,650 pounds** of food and dry goods, distributed by the all-volunteer, everything donated Open Door Clinic at St. Wilfrid's. Thank you all for your generous collections and contributions.

NEEDS: We are asking for "real food" again this week: white rice, **WHITE RICE**, WHITE RICE. We will be glad to break down large sizes of rice, 10- or 20-pound bags, to smaller quantities to distribute. (Donations of gallon-size Ziploc bags are welcome.) We also are requesting diapers, size 2 and 6. AND WIPES!!!! Newspaper bags are needed to hold hygiene products. There is also a demand for adult crew socks, black or white. Items may be dropped off weekdays in the St Wilfrid's bin on the steps behind Grace Church, or Sundays at FPC in the alcove between the Parlor and the Sanctuary.

Food bank Pickup Thank You: Last Friday, the Foodbank Crew picked up close to 2 ½ tons of food and supplies from the Food Bank of South Jersey and transported it to St. Wilfrid's. It was the largest order we ever picked up. Our drivers, often accompanied by a partner, loaded this order by hand into 9 vehicles and unloaded it in the lower level of St Wilfrid's in just under 90 minutes. That's teamwork! Special thanks to Doug and Patty Barber, Rose Guthrie, Alan Stedman, Joyce Stout, Molly Young, and Paul Urian.

PB & Js: If you are interested in making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for St. Wilfrid's, please select a donation week by signing up on this sign-up form:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0845aba72caa8-pbjs1>. Wendy, who coordinates the peanut butter and jelly traffic can be reached at her email: wendy.coffman@gmail.com.

Anyone interested in learning more about volunteering at St Wilfrid's feel free to contact Paul Urian at umanpaul@me.com. Check out the website for more on what we do: www.opendoorcliniccamden.org

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Apr. 28	– 6:30 p.m. Moore Bells	May 4	-- 4-8 p.m. Dine and Donate for Mission Trip
	– 7:30 Chancel Choir		– 6:30 p.m. Thomas Sherrerd Choir
May 1	– 10 a.m. Worship with Communion		– 7:30 p.m. Kirk Ringers
	– 5 p.m Youth Group	May 5	-- 8:30 HCC Prayer Breakfast
May 2 - 6	-- Preschool Plant Sale	May 7	-- 9 a.m. Mt Peace Clean-up day
May 2	– 9:45 a.m. Quilters		-- 12-4 Sanctuary open to the public
	– 11 a.m. Acts Study Group	May 8	-- 10 a.m. Worship - Blanket Sunday
May 3	– 8 a.m. Doug's Bible Study		-- No Youth Group
	-- 9:45 PW Coordinating Team		