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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH OF
BAKERSTOWN**

The Map

Jesus calls us to follow Him, grow in union with Him, and make disciples with Him, near and far. ([Click here](#))

Join us for Sunday worship, in-person or online, at 10 AM

Echoes of Sunday

A Midweek Devotional Reading Based on Last Sunday's Sermon.

NOTE: All of our Livestream volunteers were unavailable last Sunday. Pastor Paul offers a devotional based on the sermon preached.

Are You Tired of Keeping Up Appearances? In a world that constantly pressures us to put on our best face, perform flawlessly, and hide our struggles, it is incredibly easy to feel exhausted and isolated by the "masks" we wear.

We carry the quiet, heavy tension of trying to look like we have it all together, even when our souls are deeply weary. But the beautiful, relieving truth of Psalm 139 is that we serve a God who already knows us completely, sees our silent anxieties, and has completely removed our shame. He doesn't demand a polished performance; He simply invites us to step out of the shadows and bring our raw, unfiltered selves to Him.

This week, we are diving into how dropping our defenses can transform our ordinary daily routines—our work, our parenting, and our chores—into a beautiful lifestyle of unmasked worship and profound peace. If you are ready to quiet the performance and rest in the truth that you are fully known and deeply loved, grab a cup of coffee and [click here](#) to read the full devotional on the blog page of our church website!

Pulpit Preview: This Sunday's Sermon

Your invitation to the upcoming sermon!

The Shepherd's Care **Psalm 23 & John 10:11-16**

This Sunday we'll turn to one of the best-known passages in all of Scripture—Psalm 23. Many of us can recite the words by memory, yet some of its most comforting truths are often overlooked.

- What does it mean to walk through "the valley of the shadow of death"?
- Why do the Shepherd's rod and staff bring comfort rather than fear?
- And how does Jesus, the Good Shepherd, care for His people when we face grief, illness, uncertainty, or the challenge of growing in spiritual maturity?

Join us as we discover that God never intended His sheep to walk alone, but as a flock. Whether you are carrying a heavy burden, encouraging someone who is, or simply longing to grow deeper in your faith, this message will remind us of Christ's faithful care and the blessing of belonging to His flock.

Join us for worship this Sunday at 10 AM. If you are homebound or traveling, you can watch our 10 AM Sunday Livestream by [clicking here](#).

Birthday Card Shower!

David Hepler is turning 99 on July 24th! His address is available on the Credenza in the Entryway. (For privacy concerns, we don't publish addresses in *The Map* because it is available on the internet.)



Several Serve Week Changes!

Due to inclement weather the car wash has been moved to Sunday after worship. This also changes our Shop n Save project!

Read about the changes to the service opportunities for the remaining days.

Return here to sign up for the day(s) you want to serve!

[Sign Up Here!](#)

Friday, & Saturday - Shop and Save Collection Inspired Hearts and Hands

The Work: We are asking shoppers to help contribute items for donation to *Inspired Hearts and Hands*. This is another way to support them as they come alongside families in need. **Meet at Shop and Save for your Shift.**

These are the shifts you can choose from:

- July 17th: 9am -12pm, 12-3pm, & 3-6pm
- July 18th: 9am -12pm & 12-3pm
- Please email: collins@fpbc.org

What You Need:

- Smile
- Water Bottle
- Green Serve Week Shirt
- Camping Chair (optional)

Sunday 11:30am-4:30pm: Car Wash Paws Across Pgh

The Work: We will be hosting the car wash on our campus. There is a need for washers and hospitality. Some will be collecting the money and handing out food while others help with the Puppies and Kittens with *Paws across Pittsburgh*.

What You Need:

- **Green Serve Week Shirt (wear it to worship)**

CAR WASH

To benefit
Paws Across Pittsburgh



SUNDAY, JULY 19TH | 12PM - 4PM



**Dogs and Cats
Available for Adoption!**



**Come Meet
Adoptable
Pets!**

 **First Presbyterian
Church of Bakerstown
5825 Heckert Road
Bakerstown PA 15007**

 **Donations Only!**

 **Now Accepting Donations of
Dog & Cat Food, Litter,
and Pet Supplies**



**Coffee Truck
on site!**

Use it or Lose it!

Jane Stuart is one of several St. Barnabas Village residents who use our Sunday shuttle service, provided by Access. Each week, Linda Smith, our Office Assistant, arranges ride reservations.

Recently, Jane suggested creating a flyer about the shuttle service for the Village mailroom. In doing so, she is living by her favorite motto: **Use it or lose it!** We are grateful that Jane is using her mind and heart to help connect her neighbors with FPCB.



Shannon Devlin, our Communications Director, designed the mailroom flyer and also created half-sheet invitation flyers for the information rack in the Bell Tower Entryway.

These are available for anyone to share as a simple invitation to worship. [Click here](#) to see a sample.

How might Jane's motto inspire you? If you have ideas for flyers or other resources that could help others connect with FPCB, please contact Shannon at devlin@fpcb.org or 724-443-1555, ext. 224.

[Please note: Our Ministry Support Staff work part-time schedules and also have tasks that take them away from their desks. If they are unavailable, please leave a voicemail, and they will return your call. It is also preferred that you make direct calls to the Staff member you want to speak with.]

New Disciple-Making Partner Requests School Supplies for Aug 1!



School Supplies Donations Needed!

- **3-ring binders (1, 2, & 3 inch)**
- **Coloring books (preschoolers)**
- **Colored pencils**
- **Crayons (24-pack)**
- **Dry erase markers**
- **Erasers**
- **Folders (plastic/heavy-duty, no prongs)**
- **Glue sticks**
- **Hand sanitizer (personal size)**
- **Headphones**
- **Highlighters**
- **Markers (thin, 10-pack)**
- **Notebooks (single-subject or spiral-bound)**
- **Pencil box or pencil pouch**
- **Pencils**
- **Pens**
- **Scissors**
- **Tissues**
- **Water bottle (spill-proof or refillable with closed lid)**

Bethany
CHRISTIAN SERVICES

Throughout the month of July, we are collecting school supplies to benefit the families at **Bethany Christian Services**. Donations are for Adoptive and Foster families who will come to a picnic we are hosting here at FPCB on August 1st. Kids will have a chance to choose a backpack and to fill it with all the items they need for the school year. Please bring your donations to the sanctuary and set them in the collection box at the entryway.

Group Meetings This Week

SUN., July 19th

Sunday Gathering
(Worship)
10:00 AM
Sanctuary

MON., July 20th

All Dads Bible Study*

6:00 AM

(Micah)

*For location contact Pastor
Jeremy at collins@fpcb.org

**Church Office is Closed on
Mondays****Monday Community Bible
Study @ St. Barnabas Village**

Bldg. A., 5th Floor
1:45-2:45 PM

TUE., July 21st**Tues Women's Bible Study**

10:00-11:30 am

(Summer Hiatus)

Admin Bldg

TOPS**(Taking Off Pounds Sensibly)**

3:30- 4:30 PM

Church Café**Tues Adult Bible Study**

9:30-10:30 am

Westminster Rm

WED., July 22nd**All Moms Bible Study****(Summer Hiatus)**

Westminster Rm

FRI., July 24th**Fri Men's Bible Study**

7:00 AM

Eat 'n Park, Gibsonia

SAT., July 25th**Sat Men's Bible Study**

8:30 AM

(June and July Hiatus.**Resumes August 1)**

Church Cafe

SUN., July 26th**Sunday Gathering****(Worship)**

10:00 AM

Sanctuary

If you want information about any Bible Study, please call Linda Smith at 724-443-1555 and choose option "zero."

**Please look for a Worship Email on Sundays at 9:15 a.m.
Our service begins at 10 a.m.**

You may access worship directly at 9:55 a.m. by visiting:

Sunday Livestream

Please forward this email to friends.

Be sure to follow us on Youtube, Facebook, and Instagram to be up to date with everything happening at FPCB! When you come across our content please share

and repost it, so that our congregation can continue to grow and increase in evangelism. To bring all glory to our Lord Jesus Christ!



CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:
Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

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