

SUNDAY, JAN 18, 2026

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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Welcome

*Freedom\**

*Holy Forever\**

Isaiah 42:1-9\*

Passing the Peace\*

Announcements

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

*Rest On Us\**

John 1:29-34\*\*

Sermon - The Mystery Made Known

*Famous For (I Believe)\**

Benediction

*\*Please rise in body or spirit*

*\*\*Children may leave for Kids Connect at this time*

# WAYS TO CONNECT & SERVE

## In Memoriam

Fay R. Leary

Member of First Presbyterian Church

April 10, 1952 – March 16, 2025

Our sympathy and prayers are with her family and friends.

**The Rosebuds** are to the glory of God and in honor of the births of Lachlan Coast Turner, born December 23, 2025, child of Bailey Claeys and Bailey Turner, and grandchild of Brian and Julie Claeys, and Caroline Jean Sellers, born January 14, 2026, child of Samantha and Jeremy Sellers, and grandchild of Gail Rader.

## Offices Closed

Please note that the church offices will be closed on Monday, January 19, in recognition of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. federal holiday.

## January Parents Night Out

Attention all parents! You are invited to a fun, relaxing evening out on Friday, January 23 at the home of Diane and Brett Damadio. We'll be gathering from 6-8 pm for light food, drinks and time together. We love our kids but this is a parent-only event (let us know if you need some babysitters!). RSVPs are appreciated through the Sign-up tab of the church's website or reach out to Diane at [diane.damadio@gmail.com](mailto:diane.damadio@gmail.com).

## 2026 Women's Retreat

All women of First Pres are invited to a one-day Women's Retreat on Saturday, February 28 at Downingtown Country Club. Our theme of "In the Sanctuary of Women" will guide us through a day of learning, fellowship, fun and worship. More information and the sign-up page can be found on the Sign-up tab of the church's website; click on "Women's Retreat." Talk to Pastor Caroline or Sara Pantazes with any questions.

## Red Cross Blood Drive

First Pres will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Friday, January 30, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. Find more details in this past week's Wednesday E-News.

## Leading in Worship

Rev. Andrew Esqueda, Senior Pastor

Rev. Caroline Cupp, Sr. Assoc. Pastor

Kiana Rivera, Lead Singer

Members of the band

## Stewardship

We are in our final stretches of meeting our budget for 2026. We give thanks for your generosity, and a huge thank you to all that have already pledged. If you have not pledged yet, or maybe you've never pledged before, your generosity will greatly benefit the ministries of our church as we seek to follow Christ in the world. Stewardship is one of our practices of faith and we invite you to join us in this practice this year and in the years to come. You can pledge by going online or filling out a pledge card.

## Youth Retreat

We're so excited to be going back to Gretna Glen for our Winter Refresh retreat February 20-22. Winter Refresh is for both Middle and High School, and we can't wait for another awesome retreat together. Registration is open and filling up fast, so don't miss out! Go to the Sign-Up tab on the church website to register.

## Lenten Dinner Groups at First Pres

There may be no better way to get to know someone then over a shared meal. We are looking for hosts to open their homes for our Lenten Dinner Group Gatherings, which will take place in late February and March. You'll pick the date and time, provide the main dish and your home, and then FPC members can sign up to attend and bring a dish to share. Your dinner group can be a simple supper, a fancy spread, just appetizers, desserts, delivered pizzas, it is up to you! And you also choose how many people you'd like to host. The hope is to have lots of us mix and mingle with one another in many homes throughout the Lenten season. If interested in hosting, please sign up via the church website Sign-Up tab.

## Welcome Kids & Families

We are glad you are here to help us make a joyful noise to the Lord! Children of all ages are always welcome in worship. We also have a nursery available for kids ages 0 - 3 and offer the Kids Connect program during a portion of this service for preschool and elementary aged kids. Talk to an greeter or staff member for more information.

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