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## OUR CHURCH LIFE TOGETHER February 5, 2012

THE VALLEY FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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### **Church Staff**

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**Sunday Nursery Staff:** Andrea Lucaiova

**Sexton:** Bob Klepacki

**Greeters:** George and Alyce Schnabel

**Lay Reader:** Betsy Develin

**Please silence your cell phone as a courtesy to others.**

Welcome to **VALLEY FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!**

We're glad you're here! If you are visiting with us for the first time, we want to provide you with some helpful information.

~ **Childcare is provided for infants and toddlers by professional & volunteer staff in our Christian Education building. Sunday School is held from September to May for the children.**

~ Assisted Hearing Devices are available in the Narthex. The ushers will assist in providing one for you if needed.

~ **Restrooms are located in our Fellowship Hall, which is down the steps, below the Sanctuary, or use the elevator outside the Office.**

~ If you are new to our area and/or are looking for a Church home, we hope you will consider becoming a part of our church family. Please indicate your interest by checking the appropriate column on the fellowship pad, or speak to an Usher after the service.



**LAST CHANCE FOR LOST AND FOUND**-Are you missing a glove, keys or maybe glasses? We may have found them. Check out the Lost and Found section located this Sunday in the Fellowship Hall. You would be surprised at what we have found.

**NEED an ANNOUNCEMENT MADE?** – Please speak with Pastor Don before the service.

**OFFICE HOURS** Linda Cybart will be in the office from 9am-2pm, Monday- Thursday this week. Please call with your questions for Don or the office; 610-265-2420 or you can email us at [office@valleyforgepres.org](mailto:office@valleyforgepres.org)

**THE CONGREGATION THANKS** Betsy Develin for serving as Lay Reader for this morning's worship service.

**FELLOWSHIP TIME** is being held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the worship service. Our Fellowship Hall is located down the steps, below the Sanctuary, or use the elevator outside the Office. Today's host is the Bucha Family.

**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY TODAY-** The congregation will conclude worship today with an extraordinary opportunity to make a difference in our community. Our teens will be at the door receiving the 2012 “Souper Bowl” Offering of Caring. Gifts of food and funds will be collected and passed on to the Norristown Hospitality Center for distribution among the poor in Montgomery County. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**PICK UP YOUR HOAGIE ORDERS TODAY!** The young people will be distributing hoagie orders in the Fellowship Hall today. The funds raised will be used towards their participation in the Relay for Life 24-Hour Walk-a-Thon on May 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your support.

**THE MISSION COMMITTEE** will meet this morning following worship. Members should gather in the Chapel by 11:50am. Thanks.

**THE BELL CHOIR** begins rehearsing its spring program TODAY. Please meet Marty in the Bell Loft at the conclusion of the service.

**WOULD YOU HOST A FELLOWSHIP TIME? It's easy!** Speak with Peg Elliott for more information, or to volunteer. You can reach her at 610-489-9153. Directions on making coffee are posted in kitchen.

**GREETERS NEEDED** to welcome people on Sundays to VFPC. Please sign up on the list in Fellowship Hall or contact Andrea Bennett at 610-265-1225, or by email at [tkoz68@comcast.net](mailto:tkoz68@comcast.net).

**NEW CONFIRMATION CLASS STARTING-** The congregation is urged to pray for and to encourage the members of the 2012 Confirmation Class that began meeting this morning with Lynne Klepacki. The early stage of their course work runs in room 200 during our worship hour. The members of the class include Emily Hunziker, Brendan Magdamo, Kasey Wallace and Renee Whalen.

**SESSION MEETING-** the Session will hold its February meeting tomorrow evening, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Chapel. All elders are expected to attend. If you have a scheduling conflict please contact Linda Cybart at 610-970-2817.

**THE WOMEN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY's** next meeting will be held **Tuesday, February 7, 2012 in the Chapel at 10:30am.** We will continue our study of Matthew. If you are interested in joining our group we would love to have you. We bring our lunch and eat together when we finish the chapter study. This is truly a wonderful way to meet people and share in the study of Matthew. If you have any questions please call Eileen McFalls at 610-265-3058.

**KERYGMA NEW TESTAMENT BIBLE STUDY** will be meeting this Tuesday, February 7, 2012 from 1:00pm to 2:30pm. Class members should gather in the Fellowship Hall. Under discussion this week is Discovery #24.

**PRAY FOR THE PNC** (Pastoral Nominating Committee).

**THE MEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY.** We are studying the New Testament book of Acts. We meet on Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the Library. Please call Ejvind Hansen at 610-265-4181, or contact him by email at [ejvindh@aol.com](mailto:ejvindh@aol.com) if you have questions. Anyone interested is invited to participate. See you on the 9th.

**ADULT MISSION TRIP BEGINNING TO RECRUIT!** How would you like to spend a week in upstate Pennsylvania this summer? The region was devastated by floods last August, and the Valley Forge Church is planning to take a group of adults to the community near Scranton/Wilkes Barre to help them to get back on their feet. Proposed dates for the trip are *either June 24 to 30; or July 15 – 21.* Adults, 18 years of age or older, skilled or unskilled, are needed and eligible to attend. The cost of the trip will be approx. \$225.00 per participant (this includes food and lodging). ***There will be an organizational meeting NEXT SUNDAY, February 12<sup>th</sup>, immediately following worship!*** Please plan to attend. Bring your preference regarding the date of the trip and your questions. To RSVP, please contact Zandra Maffett at 610-354-9830, or at [zmaffett@yahoo.com](mailto:zmaffett@yahoo.com).

**KNITTERS CONTINUE** - Everyone is welcome from the beginner to the most experienced knitter. If you prefer crocheting, there are scarf, hat and blanket patterns that will available. We will be meeting on the second and fourth Monday of the month.

Our next meeting will be **February 13, 2012 at 1:00 PM.** Please meet us in the library. Questions? Please call Eileen McFalls at 610-265-3058 or Donna Newell at 610-337-2033.

**THE 2012 WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN SERIES** gets Underway on February 22<sup>nd</sup>! The night begins with a “Soup ‘n Bread” Supper at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. The 45-minute program follows at 7:00pm. Feel free to come to the program even if you cannot make it to dinner. The series will be “Family-Friendly” so children will profit from the content as much as the adults! We’d love to know that you are coming. Please sign up on the RSVP sheet in the office, or call Linda in the office at 610-265-2420. See the flyer included with your Link to find out the weekly program offering.

**SAVE THE DATE!** This year’s “*FLEA MARKET*” has been scheduled on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>! Stay tuned for more information.

**THE VBS DECORATING TEAM-** needs your help- if you purchase anything that comes in a large box (television, appliances, computers etc.) please save the box and let the Church office know- we will pick up the box and use it for decorating the Church for our summer VBS program. Thanks for your help!!!!



**VBS 2012-OPERATION OVERBOARD**

Sunday, August 19 through Thursday, August 23 from 6-8 pm.

**WATCH THE LINK FOR MORE DETAILS.**

**CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!!** Valley Forge Presbyterian Nursery School is sponsoring their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Craft Show on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9 AM until 4 PM. If you are interested in reserving a table for the event please contact Nicole Carbo @ 610-239-1835 or Lynne Klepacki @ 610-265-2420. Proceeds from the Craft Fair will go towards much needed playground improvements.

**ZAMBIAN VOLUNTEER TEAM BEING ORGANIZED**

The Presbytery of Philadelphia is organizing the next volunteer team to travel to Zambia in Spring 2013. They are looking for members from congregations who have interest or a skill in the following areas: Building structures, clearing brush; preparing fields for planting -- with hoes or with a team of oxen!! Continued on next page...

Teaching, composting, constructing beehives, organizing children's programs- sports, games, drama, arts and crafts, songs, participating in evangelism campaign,  
conducting Bible Study at Chasefu Theological School or guest lecturer/short courses at Chasefu Theological School  
If you would like more information or think this is a calling for you, please see Zandra Maffett for more details.

*LET US PRAY.....*

**Prayer for Our Service Persons....** Please remember in prayer those in the military, including; **Scott Fee** (Jeanne Fee's nephew), **Timothy Gibson** (Medic in Afghanistan), **A.O. Matthew Douglas** (serving on the aircraft carrier Eisenhower), **Major Torrance Cleveland** has been deployed to Afghanistan (husband of Lisa (Sangster) Cleveland and son-in-law of Florence Sangster); **LT. Dennis & LT. David Holden**, sons of Wayne & Lorraine. **Ensign Brian Schoendorfer** (serving on the USS Wayne E Meyer), grandson of Joyce and Frank Schoendorfer.



**Prayer for Members...** **Bobbie Fiorito, Aleta Duey, Betty Whittington, Martha Coleman, Jaclyn Merritt** (great-granddaughter of Joyce and Frank Schoendorfer), **Cathy Higgins, Kathy Knoebel, John Weaver, Margo Batdorf, Chuck Alleva, Mike Simmons, Don Kreamer, Bob DiMarino, Barbara McElvogue** (hip surgery 2-8) and **Ann Janoski** (knee surgery 2-7)

**Prayer for Members' Friends & Family.....****Felicia Figueroa** (granddaughter of Gus and Hilda Figueroa), **Carrie (Blair) Thornton** (daughter of Scott Blair), **Brita Kriebel** (friend of Linda Heuser) **Michael Richardson** (son of Joyce and Frank Schoendorfer), **Bud {Robert}& Doris Moore** (Herb Wilkie's neighbors), **Lena Alleva** (Chuck's mother), **Debbie Moyer** (Ann Zugay's cousin), **James Jewitt** (prior member), **Jennifer Kramer** (Aleta Duey's great-nephew's wife), **Larry Bloss** (friend of Shirley Richmond's daughter), **Steve Flax** (Kristin Maas' boss Michael Flax's son), **Dorothy Pennell** (Barbara Beck's mom), **Rick Blair** (Lois Blair's son), **Helene Thorpe** (Aleta Duey's neighbor), **Noemi Ovari** (Eva Bajzath's daughter), **Matthew Maas** (Marty Maas's father), **Susan Moccio** (Cheryl Faix's cousin), **Donald Houck** (Hope MacDougall's Cousin's son), **Jerry Whiteley** (Laurie Higgins' brother-in-law),

**Linn Oaks** (friend of Joe & Jean Friedman), **Shea Bristow** (daughter of Alan Schreur co-worker), **Kristin Rorick & her son, Brendan** (friends of Bob Schuettler), **Bonnie Nemphos Ganime** (past member), **Lisa Lehman** (Joyce Richardson's niece). **Lainie Sykes** (friend to the Faix and Gershanick Families), **Richard Figueroa** (Gus & Hilda Figueroa's son), **James Morrow** (friend of Mary Young), **Leah Yetzer** (friend of Cami Winter), **Kristin Maas' mother, Marty Maas' aunt, Mae Wolford** (granddaughter of Shirley & Walter Richmond), **Marie Hauptert** (Mary Jo McQuate's mom), **Michael Daniel** (friend of the Duey's & grandson of the late Ursula & Ronald Daniel), **Sue Simpson** (Friend of Barbara Finnegan).

**Prayer for Shut-ins.... Doris Hastings, Bobbe Fiorito, Mary MacLeod, Dorothy Pennell.**

**Prayers of Sympathy... to John and Corinne Weaber** on the passing of John's mother **Bernice Weaber** on January 27, 2012. Bernice's funeral was held February 1, 2012 in Annville, Pa.

**INSPIRING READING**- "Bedside Prayers" by Jane Cotner presents us with prayers and poems for when you rise and go to sleep. She shares meditations on Inspiration, Comfort, Reflections, Nightfall and Morning. Choose your topic and try one of the prayers. This could be inspiration when you need to pray for a group. This book is available outside the church office.

**NEW ADDRESS**-Pat Hall would like to share her new address: 2416 Devon Lane, Drexel Hill, Pa. 19026 610-613-8490. She welcomes calls and cards to keep her in touch with the VFPC family.



**HOSPITALITY CENTER REQUESTS** – Modest Wish List: Bottles of Juice, Boxes of Instant Grits or Flavored Oatmeal packets, Cans of Stew or Ravioli or Soup, Used Blankets, Hotel- sized Toiletries: These are items that warm the hearts of the clients at the Norristown Ministries Hospitality Center. Please think of these friends in need when you are doing your grocery shopping. Brooke Baldwin collects items every Sunday.

**THE COUPON EXCHANGE** would like to thank everyone for your contributions. We have adopted an air force base in Incirlik, Turkey. The coupons we send to them help the military families save money and stay within their budgets. The total dollar value of coupons received for 2011 amounted to \$88,750.44! Thank you and please keep those coupons coming!

**Calendar**

**Sunday**

- 9:30 AM Choir Warm-up Sanctuary
- 10:30 AM Nursery Care (under 3 yrs.) Nursery
- 10:30 AM Worship Service –Holy Communion Sanctuary
- 10:40 AM Children’s Sunday School CE Building
- 10:40 AM Confirmation Class CE Building
- 11:30 AM After Church Fellowship and Hoagie order pick up Fellowship Hall
- 11:30 AM Bell Choir Practice Sanctuary
- 11:50 AM Mission Committee Meeting Chapel

**Monday**

- 7:00PM Session Meeting Chapel

**Tuesday**

- 9:45 AM Forever Young Outing Rainbow Theater
- 10:30AM Women’s Bible Study Chapel
- 1:00PM Kerygma Class Fellowship Hall
- 6:30PM PNC Meeting Room 200

**Wednesday**

- 10:30AM Staff Meeting Pastors Office

**Thursday**

- 7:00PM Men’s Bible Study Library
- 7:30PM Adult Choir Practice Sanctuary

**Friday**

- 8:00 PM N.A.Meeting Chapel

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- 10:30 AM Worship Service Sanctuary
- 10:40 AM Children’s Sunday School CE Building
- 10:40 AM Confirmation Class CE Building
- 11:30AM After Church Fellowship Fellowship Hall
- 11:30AM Bell Choir Practice Sanctuary
- 11:45AM Mission Trip Q and A Sanctuary

**IN THE EVENT OF A SNOW STORM-CALL THE CHURCH AFTER 7:30AM AT 610-265-2420 TO CHECK FOR A CANCELATION NOTICE. IF THERE IS NO MESSAGE, SERVICE WILL BE HELD. PLEASE EXERCISE CAUTION WHEN VENTURING OUT IN BAD WEATHER.**