*Be a bridge for Christ and a beacon of His love*

# THE TIDINGS

**Doylestown Presbyterian Church's Digital Newsletter**
**November 2026**



**Rev. Kiran Young Wimberly** is a PC(USA) minister who will be visiting DPC on **Sunday, November 15** as a special guest to help usher in Celtic Advent. Kiran has been based in Northern Ireland for most of the past 20 years. She is a spiritual director, musician, podcaster, and writer.

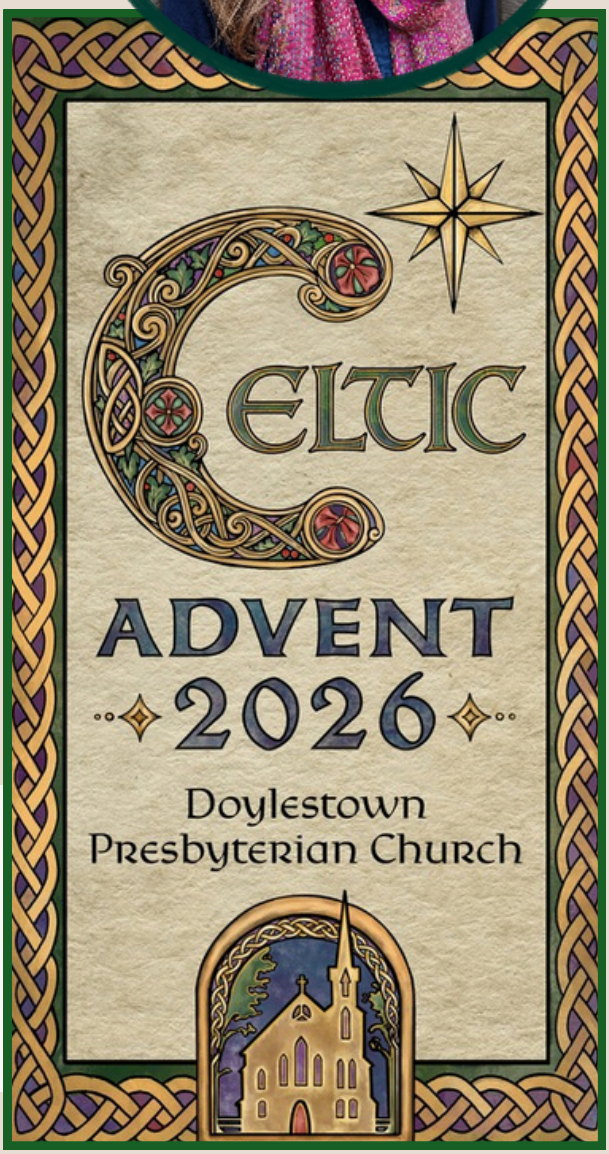
## Celtic Advent at DPC

- Begins in worship on Sunday, **November 15th** - a six-week, 40 day journey of preparation.
- Welcomes **Rev. Kiran Young Wimberly**, who will guide us into this liturgical season through reflections and music on the 15th.
- Offers us a special time of education on the 15th led by Rev. Young Wimberly titled ***Love and Mercy, Justice and Peace: Peacebuilding through Singing Psalms in Northern Ireland and Beyond*** in the Celtic Cross Room following the 10:30 am service. All are welcome. Details of the session can be found on **Page 3**:
- Includes a seven-part sermon series on Celtic spirituality in Advent based on light, wildness, fecundity, harmony, creatureliness, the image of God, and stillness.
- Features weekly video devotions by Rev. Young Wimberly to guide your time of reflection in Advent.



**A Service of Light in the Midst of Darkness**
Thursday, **November 19**, at 7 pm.

We will gather to remember the losses of life, recognize we are not alone, and find strength through prayer and music. To read how this service has been especially meaningful to one DPC Deacon, turn to **page 3**.









# Mac's Meanderings

## What is: Celtic Advent?

In our *Presbyterian Book of Common Worship* (2018) there is a description of what the season of Advent is: "Advent" means coming or arrival. But I have always been curious about another sentence: *"The origin of the season of Advent is uncertain. It may have been patterned after the season of Lent as a period of penitence before Christmas, or as a time of preparation for baptism at Epiphany."*

Philip H. Pfatteicher, in his book Journey into the Heart of God: Living the Liturgical Year says, *"There is an almost innate pattern in human behavior of fast before feast, preparation followed by celebration, anticipation and preparation leading to feasting, but otherwise the origins of the season of Advent are obscure."*

There is some evidence that in Rome, Spain, Gaul and with Irish missionaries, prior to the early 7th century there was a six week Advent that centered on penitence. David Cole, author of *Celtic Advent: 40 days of devotions to Christmas*, writes, *"The Celtic church referred to the period of Advent as the 'lesser Lent" and believed that the period for preparation was important, just like the preparation of Lent leading up to Easter."*



Cole says, *"Advent has two traditional start dates, depending upon your understanding. There is the traditional church date of the fourth Sunday before Christmas; and then there is the first day of December, when you open the first door of your Advent calendar. But in the ancient church of Britain and Ireland (commonly referred to today as the 'Celtic church') there was another date - November 15th...The reason for this date was because November 15th is 40 days before Christmas (including Sundays, unlike the 40 days of Lent) and the Celtic church believed in the significance of numbers as the Jewish faith."* Indeed, 40, biblically, represents a significant period of time, whether it was the years the Israelites wandered in the desert or the days Jesus was tempted in the wilderness.

So Celtic Advent is calling us into a significant period of time for preparation. A slower preparation outside the mad rush of December alone. On Sunday, **November 15th** we welcome the **Reverend Kiran Young Wimberly** to help us enter into our 40 day journey where we will explore the key components of Celtic Christianity and what those components have to say about Jesus' multi-layered coming.

With Care,

Mac



Rev. Young Wimberly (center) with The McGraths

## Love and Mercy, Justice and Peace: Peacebuilding through Singing Psalms in Northern Ireland and Beyond

**Led by Rev. Kiran Young Wimberly, following 10:30 service on November 15 in the Celtic Cross Room**

A few years ago celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Good Friday Agreement in Northern Ireland, which brought about a new chapter of peace. Although much progress has been made in the decades since the Troubles, there is still a need for social healing—safe, inclusive spaces where people can come together across historic and contemporary community divides. In this session she will share about the Celtic Psalms project (Kiran's collaboration with the Irish musical family The McGraths) which has brought divided communities together around Psalms set to Irish and Scottish melodies. We will explore the role of the arts, spirituality, and social healing in peacebuilding, justice, and the Advent hope for a better world.

## DPC Deacons present Caregivers' CORNER

In each edition of The Tidings, your DPC Deacons highlight a different aspect of their ministry, which will hopefully help you feel embraced by God.



***This month, Deacon Linda Gelcius focuses on Service of Light in the Midst of Darkness, which the Deacons assist with each November. This year's service is November 19 at 7 pm.***

The Bible speaks with deep compassion, offering comfort and hope to those who are grieving:

Psalm 34:18 — *"The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit."* This verse reminds us that God is present with us in our pain and sorrow.

If you are seeking comfort after the death of a loved one, or looking for Scripture to share with someone who is grieving, verses like this can help us pray, remember God's promises, and hold on to the hope we have in Christ.




Twenty-two years ago, I attended the DPC Service of Light for the first time. That year, I had lost both my husband and my father. The service was deeply moving and meaningful for me and my two teenage children. We felt God's presence and the loving support of the DPC community as we navigated sorrow and change. The service brought each of us comfort and healing, and it remains a treasured memory.

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, I invite you to join us in the DPC sanctuary on **November 19** at 7:00 pm for our Service of Light. It is an opportunity to remember those we have lost, find comfort in God's presence, and share in the hope and support of our church community.

# October Session Update



In October Session met twice: Sunday, **October 18th** to welcome Diane Jellen into membership and Monday, **October 26th** for their stated meeting.

At the stated meeting the following occurred:

- Received a detailed report from the Christian Education Committees. Those who presented were as follows:
  - Kaitlin Beck, Chair of Children's Ministry Committee
  - Caryn Bowe, Chair of Youth Ministry Committee
  - Eric Gillette, the new Director of Youth Ministry
  - Kieran Cody, Chair of Adult Education Committee
  - Terry Herring, Session Liaison to Christian Education
  - Becca Bateman, Staff Liaison to Christian Education
- Received a report from Vice Moderator of Deacons, Linda Gelcius
- Approved four commissioners for the November 17th stated meeting of the Presbytery of Philadelphia.
- Approved the 2027 dates for stated Session meetings, congregational meetings, and communion dates.
- Approved Lisa Kennedy, a Family Peer Support Specialist to speak on the topic of support for those in the Sandwich Generation - a program hosted by the Board of Deacons and Connections Committee.
- Approved the Christmas Eve offering to go to Code Blue.

-- Linda Cacossa (Clerk of Session)
& Mac Schafer (Pastor & Moderator of Session)

## Financial Corner

### Church Financial Update: September 2026

**1. Budget**

- **Total Income to Date (YTD):** $1,281,452 (Budget: $1,152,773)
- **Total Expenses to Date (YTD):** $1,339,965 (Budget: $1,281,035)




**2. Ministry Impact**

- Began the new program year with a return to two services and faith formation classes offered in between services.
- Collected many sneakers for the Earthcare Committee's Got Sneakers collection – a record number of sneakers donated.
- Began a time of reflection and discernment for the Generosity Campaign for 2027.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness to the ministry of Doylestown Presbyterian Church.

*For a detailed financial report, please contact Linay Richards, Director of Finances and Operations.*

# Spirit open my Heart

## 2027 Generosity Campaign

*"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*
MATTHEW 6:21



Sunday November 1st was **Gratitude Sunday** in worship. It is always a moving experience to see friends and members come forward with their Estimate of Giving cards for the upcoming year of ministry. The Generosity Committee would like to express their appreciation for the energy and enthusiasm during this spiritual journey over the past five weeks. Thank you to those of you who have already pledged.

If you were unable to to be in worship on November 1st, but would still like to participate in returning a portion of your resources to God through the church, you can certainly still do that in the following ways:

- Mail your Estimate of Giving card into the office.
- Pledge online
- Drop your card off Monday to Friday at the church office, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Generosity Committees goal is to have 275 households make an estimate of giving for 2027. The financial goal for 2027 is $1.5 million in pledges. We will give weekly updates in the worship bulletin on how we are progressing on those goals.

Thank you for your continued prayerful discernment and for supporting Christ's ministry through DPC.



Scan this code or visit
[bit.ly/DPC-SPIRIT-2027](bit.ly/DPC-SPIRIT-2027)
to submit a digital
Estimate of Giving card.









# Spirit open my Heart

As you prayerfully consider making your 2027 Estimate of Giving to DPC, think about proportional giving (10%, 5%, 2.5%, etc.) based on your weekly and/or annual income. This allows you to gift a percentage of God's resources, and if led to, faithfully increase your giving.

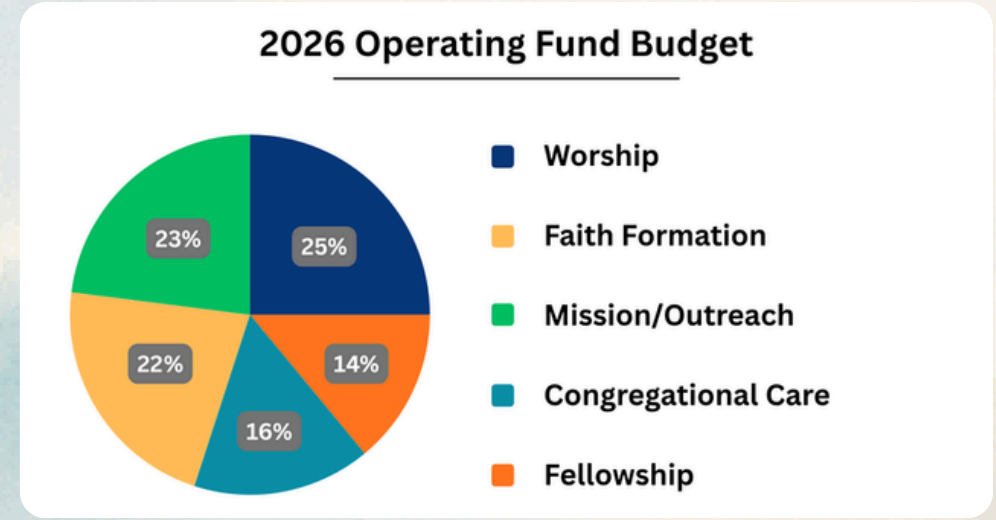
| Weekly Income | 2.5% | 5% | 10% |
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| $675 | $17 | $34 | $68 |
| $960 | $24 | $48 | $96 |
| $1,443 | $36 | $72 | $144 |
| $1,925 | $48 | $97 | $193 |
| $2,400 | $60 | $120 | $240 |
| $2,850 | $72 | $143 | $285 |
| $3,850 | $96 | $193 | $385 |

| Annual Income | 2.5% | 5% | 10% |
|---|---|---|---|
| $35,000 | $875 | $1,750 | $3,500 |
| $50,000 | $1,250 | $2,500 | $5,000 |
| $75,000 | $1,875 | $3,750 | $7,500 |
| $100,000 | $2,500 | $5,000 | $10,000 |
| $125,000 | $3,125 | $6,250 | $12,500 |
| $150,000 | $3,750 | $7,500 | $15,000 |
| $200,000 | $5,000 | $10,000 | $20,000 |



## Impact of Your Pledge

The ministries of DPC strive to be part of 5 different categories: Worship, Faith Formation, Mission/Outreach, Congregational Care and Fellowship. All these parts help us to be a bridge for Christ and a beacon of His love at DPC, in our community, and in the world. **Our total budget for 2026 is $1,729,980.** This chart helps to show how the total current budget fits into these categories.






**Have questions?**
Your Generosity Team has answers! Be sure to check out the FAQ section in the link below.

To easily refer back to all of this information and more, visit **www.dtownpc.org/spirit**




Come as a family or come on your own to kick off the Advent season in joyful community! Join us **immediately following the 10:30 am worship service** on Sunday, **November 29**, for a time of food, fellowship, and festive fun. Move at your own pace through a variety of creative stations:

- **Design a treasured keepsake** with an encouraging Advent message
- **Snap a photo** in our life-sized manger scene
- **Craft an ornament** to bless a homebound member
- Visit the **Advent Mission Market** in the Celtic Cross Room
- Help **decorate the DPC campus**
- Participate in a rollicking session of **Christmas Trivia**

All while enjoying the sounds of familiar Christmas carols that will fill the space, and your heart, with the joy and anticipation of the season.







# Celtic Advent *on the way*

## Advent All Together!

On **November 29** enjoy lunch, grow friendships, and create keepsakes at this all-church event following 10:30 am worship in Andrews Hall.

## Caroling

All are invited to sing Christmas songs on **December 6** following 10:30 worship. After a light lunch, a group of carolers of all ages will depart from church to visit the homes of DPC members who could use some Christmas joy.
Festive dress encouraged! Contact Pastor Becca at Beccab@dtownpc.org to get involved!

## Stay tuned for details of all our other Advent happenings including:

- Sharing of a special Celtic Advent Video Devotional series.
- Drive-Thru Nativity on Dec. 18
- Nativity Pageant at 10:30 am, Dec. 20
- Lessons and Carols - 1:30 pm, Dec. 20

## Following Advent Season we celebrate the birth of our Savior during Christmas Eve Worship Services at

- 3 pm - Communion Service
- 5 pm - Candlelight Service
- 7 pm - Candlelight Communion Service




## A New Way to Participate In the Weekly Offering

We are aware that more and more people regularly give to DPC through automatic bank withdrawal or annual/monthly sums.

Yet, the time of offering is a ritual and rhythm that is still important in weekly worship. It may feel strange to you to pass the plate and put nothing in it.

To address this void, last month, the Finance Committee approved a giving card that will be in the pew racks. The card says, "My regular giving is automatic. This card is placed in the offering plate as a symbol and reminder of my gratitude to Christ through the ministry of DPC."

For those who give electronically or in lump sums, this card allows you to participate in the weekly offering as a physical act of worship.

So pull the card and put it in the plate!

## 2026 IRA QCD Gift

Did you know that you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to the church to support our mission? IRA account holders aged 70½ and older may take tax-free distributions from a Traditional or Beneficiary IRA and donate the amount distributed to an eligible tax- exempt charitable organization.

Your Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) gift can be used to pay your pledge or to support other ministries of DPC — and it can also lower your taxable income for 2026.

If you do plan to make a QCD from your IRA to support DPC, the timing is important. Some financial institutions, or certain types of QCD disbursements, require that your QCD be processed and deposited by December 31, 2026 in order for it to count toward your 2026 required minimum distribution (RMD).

This means the sooner you initiate your gift, the better — ensuring it arrives in time and supports the ministries you make possible here at the Doylestown Presbyterian Church. Contact your financial advisor or the firm holding your IRA for more information.



BUCKS BEAUTIFUL

EARTH CARE CONGREGATIONS

Your DPC Earth Care Team applied for and has been awarded a Bucks Beautiful Matching Grant in the amount of $1,700. Last fall DPC sold lithographs of Daniel Garber's *Green Pastures* as "seed" money for native plants around the DPC campus. This fall, DPC Earth Care members have already planted about 40 plants on Mechanic St in front of Andrews Hall. Additional plantings are scheduled for spring 2027 to enhance the beauty and biodiversity of the church campus.



Are you or someone you know interested in joining DPC? The next Inquirers' Class is **November 8, joining November 22!**

INQUIRERS' CLASS

Visit www.dtownpc.org/membership to learn more and register today!

# Library Nook




## Ready to HUDDLE UP for STORY TIME?

Join us in welcoming Andrew Rosenbaum, author of children's book, *Go, Birds!*, and illustrator, Jeff Wooler, on Sunday, **November 22**, 9:30-10:15 am in the Church Library, and hear how Andrew kept faith in publishing this book for kids of all ages, especially for the football fans in his life.

Grab a seat, and enjoy listening to a reading of *Go, Birds!* which has scored a TOUCHDOWN everywhere!



A big thank-you to Teddy and Nicholas H. for putting together three bookcases for the Children's Worship Time (CWT) room! With a little help from their dad, Henry, they worked together to make this wonderful addition to our space.

CWT is so grateful for this thoughtful gift and for your willingness to serve. Thank you, Teddy, Nicholas, and Henry!

# Music & The Arts

## The Art of David Ohlerking



On display and on sale through Nov. 19



No Set Prices
Pay as You Wish

100% of the proceeds will go toward the ministries of DPC





Payment can be made by checks payable to Doylestown Presbyterian Church

## Celebrate the Arts

Interested in submitting photos or artwork for the next CTA visual arts display set for November 19? Visit www.dtownpc.org/cta for details on how to contribute pieces. The theme of the display is “Light” - prepare for the birth of Christ through the practice of Celtic Advent.



On Reformation Sunday, the DPC Chancel Choir and Orchestra helped lead worship service in a unique and stirring way – interweaving movements of Bach’s Cantata built on Luther’s hymn “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God.” This was inspiring from the pews and via livestream - and even more so knowing how much detail and rehearsal went into it. Thank you to all involved in our wonderful music ministry!

**Click the image to play a video of the Prelude!**





Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor, DPC ringers will soon debut beautiful new bell table covers!

# WHAT'S *happening* AT DPC





**DPC Dads Hike.** Lace up your boots and meet at High Rocks parking lot off Tory road on Saturday, **November 7** at 7 am. No RSVP required. Email the church office at dpc@dtownpc.org and we'll put you in touch with Art Shull to be added to the dads' mailing list.

## DPC MOMS Meetups

The next gathering of the DPC Moms group is **November 21** at 8:30 am at Michele Hoffman's home. RSVP is requested, so please call or email the church office if you plan to attend. This is a time for moms to gather to discuss a topic, learn about and from each other, and support one another.

**Interested in learning more about the Moms Group or joining in their upcoming monthly gatherings?** Visit **www.dtownpc.org/growth-groups** or email **dpc@dtownpc.org** and we'll put you in touch with Megan Craig.

***Where do you go to research the Presbyterian History?***
Sure, the internet has some information, but the best place to go or call is the **Presbyterian Historical Society (PHS) in Philadelphia**. After a few research phone calls and emails with PHS last summer, the idea sparked for some staff members to go visit.

On October 21, three DPC staff members (Mac Schafer, Elaine Keckeissen and Linay Richards) went on a road trip and experienced an amazing tour by Jennifer Barr, Reference and Outreach Archivist.

PHS was organized in 1852, and is the oldest denominational archives in the United States and serves as the national archives for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and its predecessor denominations.The society's holdings include more than 250,000 titles reflecting the history of the Presbyterian tradition in America and over 40,000 cubic feet of official records and personal papers.

We found the original (or seemed like the original) papers of incorporation of Doylestown Presbyterian Church and saw writings by Silas Andrews about the church. We also saw the DPC graveyard layout with names that was on an old piece of wood. The organization of all these materials is AMAZING.

The shocking part of all this is that the PHS receives some financial support from PCUSA, but much of their funding is through grants and donations! This is an amazing gem of an organization, is open to the public and is really just a hop, skip and jump away from DPC.

*– Linay Richards*







# DPC MISSION

## Thanksgiving

Another way we can offer thanks for the bounty with which we are blessed is through DPC's Thanksgiving Offering. This year's Offering will be collected for the food program at Bethel Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia, one of our local mission partners. With their weekly Thursday food bags and twice-a-month Saturday meals, Bethel is spending $1,000 a week to serve more than 275 families!

This year's Doylestown Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be held at Temple Judea of Bucks County on Thursday, **November 19** at 7:30 pm. Join in for this meaningful time as a community. DPC Pastors will participate in this service.



## Winter Coat Collection

Bethel Coat Drive - through **November 9**. Brrr! It's cold outside and time to collect NEW and very gently used children's and adults' warm winter coats for Bethel Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia. Children's coats in all sizes (18 months, 2T, 4 through 16) are wanted. We also still need NEW larger coats, with size choices listed on the sign up at **bit.ly/BPC-Coats**

New hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves, as well as socks (children's, women's, and men's), are also welcome. Bins to drop off your donations are at the Andrews Hall entrance. Donations must be received by Monday, **November 9.**

## Fellowship and Food

Our Thanksgiving Community Meal in Fellowship Hall begins at 12 noon on **November 15**. If you'd like to get involved.by bringing food or helping serve for this month's meal, visit **bit.ly/DPC-CM** to sign up to volunteer—or just stop by for lunch!



Immediately following the meal, we are hosting a memorial service for individuals from our county's homeless population who have died this year. We also kick off the local start of **Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week** (held nationally every year the week before Thanksgiving to provide education about, raise support for, and advocate for those facing poverty, hunger, and housing insecurity).

Also on **November 15**, please drop off with our volunteers under the Bridge your nonperishable (please no fresh produce) food donations for local food pantries. Most requested items include cereals, juices, condiments (we have enough mustard), paper products, cleaning and laundry supplies, and personal care and toiletry items. Acme and Giant gift cards for helping with Thanksgiving meal preparation are gratefully accepted. Last month, after about 200 pounds of canned goods like soups and vegetables and boxed pasta were sent to Bethel Presbyterian's food program, the remaining 352 pounds (plus a cash donation) were taken to the Bucks County Housing Group's Pantry in Doylestown.

In October, at our third Tuesday **Caring for Friends** packing, 10 volunteers packed 95 meals from casseroles, vegetables, and side dishes freshly prepared by members of our congregation. We welcome new volunteers--our next packing date is **November 17**.

# DPC MISSION







### Advent Mission Market and Giving Tree

DPC's **Giving Tree** can be found on the bridge **November 15 and 22!** Select tags from the Tree for people receiving assistance from our mission outreach partners. Keep watch in your email and on the church website for a list of items that can be selected online. Tagged, unwrapped gifts will be due back in the Andrews Hall Lobby by **November 29**, so gifts for recipients at Bucks County Housing Group, Lenape Foundation, and Life Abundant can be delivered before the holidays. Then the Tree will be dressed with requests for gift cards for Code Blue guests, Hunting Park Christian Academy classroom supplies, and clothing and sleeping bags for the Least of Our Brothers.

With Christmas around the corner, the Advent Mission Market is an opportunity to purchase gifts from organizations that give back to the community. The Market will be open in the Celtic Cross Room on **November 29** and **December 6 and 13** between worship services. Keep watch for details about the Mission Market and signup links for the Giving Tree!

### CSSH Code Blue

The Coalition to Shelter and Support the Homeless needs 15 volunteers each night that our Code Blue shelter is open (28 degrees or colder with the wind chill), December through March, to provide shelter and food for our homeless neighbors. The shelter rotates each month among four area churches and will be **at DPC** from Friday, **January 29 through Friday, February 26**. You are not limited to volunteering only at DPC!

To volunteer, you must take the training course, either in-person or online. In-person volunteer training has one more session on Saturday, **November 21** at 9:30 am at Doylestown United Methodist Church, 320 E. Swamp Road. If you have an interest in being a driver, in-person Van Driver training will be offered directly following each of these in-person trainings.

Alternatively, to receive training on your own schedule, visit the CSSH website (www.co2ssh.org/new-volunteer-training) and click on New Volunteer Training for the online version.

### Travel to Pakistan with Friends of PEB

Our mission partner Friends of PEB (Presbyterian Education Board) is sponsoring two trips in 2027 to Pakistan to explore the impact of PEB schools. Highlights include being welcomed by PEB students, touring PEB school facilities, meeting scholarship students, and attending a PEB school event or competition, as well as sightseeing and experiencing Pakistani food and local market shopping. Dates are **March 11-20** and **October 14-23, 2027.** Cost is $750 plus visa ($60) and airfare. For more information, contact Cheryl Burke, Executive Director at Friends of PEB at cheryl@friendsofpeb.org

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

## LOOKING BACK...

Teachers and children alike are enjoying the new Sunday School curriculum we've been using this year, while in Children's Worship Time we have been focused on our lesson series, The Lord's Prayer.





October 14 was Wednesday Club Family Night! Families joined us for dinner and tailgate activities including games, face painting and balloon animals, as well as making a family crest with the words "As for me and my house we will serve the Lord", Joshua 24:15.





October 18 the Sunshine Singers sang in worship for the first time this year and Children's Worship Time classes made two fruit salads for the Community Meal.





October 28 was the Wednesday Club Halloween Party and Family Fellowship. Both activities included dinner and Halloween-themed activities. It was fun to see so many cute costumes!





## LOOKING AHEAD

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| November 8 | Sunshine Singers sing in 10:30 worship |
| | Communion, CWT classes return early to worship |
| November 15 | Celebration Choir sings in 10:30 worship |
| | Wednesday Club helping with Community Meal |
| November 18 | Family Fellowship Friendsgiving, 5:15-6:30 pm |
| November 25 | NO Sunshine Singers, Celebration Choir & Wednesday Club (Thanksgiving) |
| November 29 | Advent All Together following the 10:30 am service, EVERYONE INVITED! |
| December 6 | Lunch & caroling to some who need cheer this season |



# YOUTH MINISTRY

## Sunday Schedule!

**AM Schedule**:
9:30-10:15 am 6-8th Grade Sunday School

**PM Schedule**: UPDATED
5-5:30 pm Youth Choir
5:30-6 pm Youth Bells
6-6:30 pm Dinner
6:30-7:30 pm Youth Group
*Middle & High School YG happens simultaneously but separately










- **Sign up by November 6!**
- Open to all 8-12th graders
- November 20-22
- $200 per person
- Scholarships available by reaching out to Eric at EricG@dtownpc.org
- dtownpc.org/youth/youthevents/

## November 1

Youth Group traveled to Princeton, NJ to support friends participating in the Youth Music Festival under the direction of Rev. Dr. Mina Choi.







## Coming Up...

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| November 8 | Youth Choir, Element Youth Group |
| November 15 | Confirmation, 4:15-7:30 pm (Dinner with Youth Group) |
| | Youth Choir, Element Youth Group |
| November 20-22 | **Fall Retreat at Camp Johnsonburg for 8th-12th graders** |
| November 22 | NO Youth Choir or Youth Group |
| November 29 | NO Youth Choir or Youth Group - *Thanksgiving break* |
| December 6 | *Lunch & caroling to some who need cheer this season* |
| December 13 | *Youth choir & Youth Group Christmas parties!* |

# Ministry in Motion!





A spirited group from the Perennials of DPC, along with Pastor Becca, set forth on a Fall Retreat in early October. It began with a guided tour of Grounds For Sculpture in NJ. Then, to Princeton Theological Seminary for games and connection during an overnight stay. In the morning, the group enjoyed breakfast together, a service at the Seminary Chapel, and lunch with the seminarians



Deacons gathered for a time of education and reflection on October 3, led by Rev. Maggie Ainslie. Thank you to the Fulghams for hosting!



In recognition of Indigenous Peoples' Day, DPC bakers made delicious, traditional fry bread, and the Matthew 25 Committee hosted a time of togetherness on the bridge featuring books and other educational resources.





One Piano. Two Friends. Four Hands. This is what transported all who attended Sunday's Celebrate the Arts concert at DPC on a wonderous journey "From Vienna to Buenos Aires" guided by the musical gifts of José Meléndez and Ting Ting Wong.



# Ministry in Motion!

DPC kids and the Del Val University men's and women's wrestling teams helped with October's Community Meal! Thank you to all!











We honored DPC's 50-year members during worship on October 18 followed by a special reception.

Connecting Scripture to the ancient roots and complex flavors of wine was the theme of DPC's gathering Wine and the Word on Oct. 16. About 60 church members enjoyed fellowship, food, a sampling of delicious wines, and an enlightening talk led by Dr. Nate Stucky of the Farminary at Princeton Theological Seminary. Thank you to the Fulghams for hosting this event, too!



**Mission Statement:** Be a bridge for Christ and a beacon of His love.
**Vision Statement:** A growing community of disciples engaged in worship, service, and care.
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