



The Church Mouse

Newsletter

The First Presbyterian Church of Maywood
401 Maywood Ave, Maywood, NJ 07607

September 2019

September Message:

September is the unofficial end of summer. Most vacations are over and schools reopen. Labor Day this year is on September 2nd, a national holiday to recognize the work forces of our country. Our country should salute all the accomplishments that make being a laborer honorable.

Let us not forget 9 – 11. We will have our community Service of Remembrance in our Worship Room at 7 pm on Wednesday September 11. Please join us. Let us not forget this day of infamy.

A favorite hymn of many is “What a Friend We have in Jesus”. God gave us the gift of His Son, Jesus, so that we would not be alone. Our Eternal life is based on our belief in Him as our Lord and Savior.



God has also given us friends so we and they will not be alone. As friends we share a commonality with each other. We support each other in good times and bad times. The pathway of friendship is not always smooth. At times there are stumbling blocks. Hopefully, they can be overcome to the mutual benefit of all concerned. We learn to walk together and, as our hearts are interlocked, looking out for each other's best interests, we become stronger.

Our friendship becomes a gift of oneself to another. Not a gift wrapped with fancy paper and ribbons, our gift is our presence as seen in acts of love, kindness, forgiveness and most of all as a reflection of how God wants us to represent Him to others. If we all do this as Children of God, we'll never walk alone.

With love and prayers,
Pastor Betty



We will be having a church (indoor) **picnic** on **September 1st** in honor of Labor Day following our Service. Please **bring your favorite dish** to accompany Hot Dogs which will be provided by the Church!

September means **Back to School** for all of our children! After summer fun, vacations and long summer days we wish them all the best of success in their new school grades and learning all sorts of new and cool stuff!



Eighteen years have passed since the dreadful 9/11 attacks occurred on September 11th, 2001. For many, it seems like only yesterday when thoughts stream like tears in remembrance of that horrific day. **Please join in our Community Worship Service on September 11th here at our church.** The service starts at **7:00 pm** and will be lead by **Pastor Betty along with other Community and Clergy members.** The Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will lead the pledge of allegiance and there will be a bagpiper and a soloist. Let's remember this date in history, lest we ever forget those who suffered, and suffer still...



This year's Vacation Bible School was a great success! All the children that participated had a wonderful time. Special thanks to Sara and Pat Carberry for planning and running the Safari camp and to Bobbe Kutcha and Adrienne Williams for preparing and serving the dinners! And special thanks to all of the children who attended and enjoyed and the many hands that made this possible.

Our "Sister" Church Happenings

The First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie is having a special show called **The Best of Broadway Concert** featuring Alla Milchtein and Ginny Weant. It's on Saturday, September 21st at 3:00pm. Tickets are \$20.00. For more information please call (201) 641-4919.

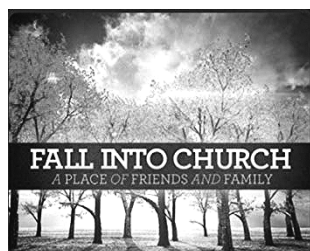
The United Presbyterian Church of Lyndhurst is having a **Fish/Chicken Dinner** on Saturday, September 14th from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. The meal will be prepared by The Thistle of Lyndhurst. Tickets are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children under 8 yrs. For tickets or more information please call (201) 939-5439 between 10am & 5:00pm.

The upcoming Fall Retreat of the PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN IN THE PRESBYTERY OF THE PALISADES is on September 14th at the Westside Presbyterian Church of Ridgewood. This exciting one day program unifies and encourages Presbyterian Women. Breakfast and lunch and a wonderful program only \$5.00 !



Happy Birthday to Ruth Blakely who celebrates her special day on **September 29th**. May you have a wonderful day and a great year ahead.

The Center for Food Action is in dire need of **food donations**. Please give to those who are in need. Contributions can be left in the church vestibule for this worthy cause!



September Preaching Schedule:

- 1 Pastor Betty Fetzer
- 8 Pastor Kevin Kwon
- 15 Pastor Kevin Kwon
- 22 Pastor Kevin Kwon
- 29 Pastor Kevin Kwon

The next meeting of the Session-Monday, September 23rd^h 10:00am

