

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*
Week of January 12, 2020

Sun 12	11:30am	Deacons Meeting (Library)
	6:00pm	G3 Youth Group
Mon 13	7:30pm	Trustees Meeting
Thurs 16	7:00am	Men's Bible Study
	9:15am	Women's Bible Study
	7:00pm	G3 Senior High Bible Study
	7:00pm	PHR Sandwich Making
	7:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
	7:30pm	twenty: Bible Study for Young Adults
Sat 18	8:00am	Philadelphia Homeless Run (departs from Zans')
	9:00am	Great Valley Prayer
Sun 19	9:00am	Christian Education Hour
	10:00am	Corporate Worship

* There are a variety of weekly Life Groups that meet in individuals' homes. Pick up a spreadsheet in Dickerson Hall or check out our website for more info.

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 by enabling all people to become fully devoted
 followers of the Lord Jesus Christ. We prayerfully strive,
 through the Holy Spirit, to fulfill our purpose by worship,
 Biblical teaching, service, fellowship, and active involvement
 in world evangelization.



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SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2020

The Way We Could Be

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

It is a joy and a privilege to gather together to praise our God. May you sense His presence here today in worship and fellowship (Heb. 10:25).

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Prelude Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light – Schop
Welcome and Announcements
Moment for Missions Nan McCullough-Huhta, Cru

Call to Worship
Song All Hail the Power of Jesus Name – #53
Responsive Reading Psalm 79:13
Song Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation – #207

Unison Confession of Sin Followed By Private Confession
Affirmation of Forgiveness

Song The Power of the Cross

Prayers of the People
Offertory Just As I Am

Doxology Praise God from Whom All Blessings – #556
Prayer of Thanksgiving

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Song (children dismissed) Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God
Old Testament Isaiah 6:1-7 – David Sarley

Message Rev. Keith Fink

Seeking God with Repentance
James 4:7-10

WE DEPART TO SERVE GOD'S WORLD

Song He Is Lord
Benediction
Postlude Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones – Paxton

Families – Please see the cards in the pew racks for an explanation of family worship at GVPC. Children are welcome to stay with you during the worship service or participate in the following ministries:

Infant Care (*up to 18 months*) in the Nursery. Today's caregiver: Rhonda Schuck.

Rompers Church (*18 mos. – K*) in Room 1 of the Children's Wing. Today's leader: Jason Haney.

Jr. Church (*1st - 4th graders*) in the Library. Children are dismissed from the service during the song before the Scripture reading. A parent or older sibling should pick them up after the service. Today's leader: Jim Shackleton.

5th- 8th graders in the **Library Lounge Area**. They are dismissed from the service during the song before the Scripture reading, and study the sermon text for the day. Today's leader: Sandy Haney.

Greeters – Today's greeters are Dave and Gwen McDonald.

Flowers – The flowers this morning are given by Tom and Cinda Marturano in honor of Cinda's sister, Madeline Dorothy Hammond.

Public and Private Prayer – The yellow cards in the pew racks are for praise or prayer requests to be read during the Prayers of the People. Fill one out and pass it to the center aisle for the prayer leader to collect during the second song. If you prefer your request to be private, please meet Karen Erickson in the Prayer Room following the service.

Deacons on Call – In January, our deacons Denise Higgins and Frani Hitzelberger are on call for assistance.

Following the Service – Please join us in the chapel after the service for Coffee Fellowship.

Bearing One Another's Burdens (Gal. 6:2) – If you have or know of special needs, concerns, or illnesses among our church family, please call the church office at 610-644-1995.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

India Debrief with Rachel Schuck

Today

Rachel Schuck invites you to the Schuck house today at 2pm for a debrief/slideshow presentation of her language-learning experience in South India last year.

Great Valley Book Club

January 28

January's Book club meeting will take place on Tuesday, January 28 at 7:30pm at the home of Kathy Anderson. We will be discussing the book *The Gown: A Novel of the Royal Wedding* by Jennifer Robson. This book is an enthralling historical novel about one of the most famous wedding dresses of the twentieth century—Queen Elizabeth's wedding gown—and the fascinating women who made it. Everyone is welcome, so please join us! Contact Carol Jones with questions.

Lenten Cantata Rehearsals

Thursdays at 7:30pm

You are invited to join the Great Valley Chancel Choir for our 2020 Lenten Cantata, *In My Place*, which will be presented during the April 5 worship service. We rehearse each Thursday at 7:30pm. Consider a short term commitment to this enthusiastic and welcoming ensemble; experience and music reading ability are not prerequisites. If you are interested in singing, please contact Chris Starr.

Left Behind

No, this is not about the books or movie, but about kitchen stuff – bowls, platters and pans, etc.) left behind and forgotten in our church kitchens. These items will be on display in the chapel **today and next Sunday**. Please have a look and reclaim your items; everything unclaimed will be donated elsewhere. Any questions? Contact Gwen McDonald.

College Student of the Week

This week's college student is **Christine Farrell**. Christine is a fourth year student at Pearlman School of Medicine (University of Pennsylvania). Please pray that Christine "make [her] ear attentive to wisdom...inclining [her] heart to understanding (Proverbs 2:20)."

Heard from the Mission Field

Greg Porter, Daniel Foundation – Greg recently sent out a Christmas note that encouraged his readers to ask "why" about the timing of the coming of the Christ Child. Jesus entered our world during a turbulent time – Rome was a powerful empire that oppressed a large percentage of the civilized world, the Jews were subject to their power, Mary was unwed when she became with child, and chaos was prevalent. He speculates, "Perhaps God takes particular delight in seeking out ugliness in order to contrast it. In so doing, evil is relegated to the diminished role of being little more than a backdrop against which His light, and the beauty He authors, is amplified, becoming all the more breathtaking!" Read more of Greg's story and the highlights of 2019 by stopping by the bulletin board in Dickerson Hall.

Can We Help?

The challenges we experience throughout the many stages of life sometimes necessitate the help of professional counselors. Great Valley Presbyterian Church has a partnership with Kairos Counseling Services to address such needs. Funds are available, if needed, to help cover the costs of these services. For more information or answers to questions you may have about this resource, contact Barbara Wray, Great Valley's coordinator.