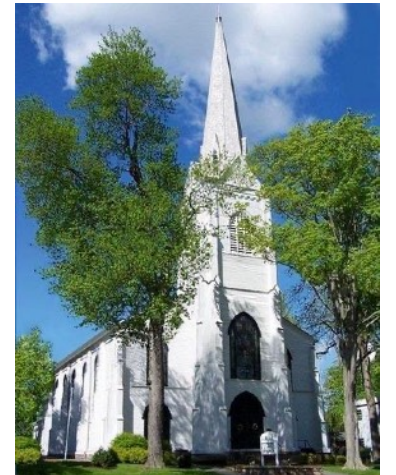


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A NOTE FROM OUR EDITOR

Hello, FPCH Members!

Welcome, October and hello, Fall.

It is now officially time for apple-picking, Fall outdoor activities, and celebration of World Communion Sunday.

We have much to be thankful for this past month. Our church witnessed two baptisms, we celebrated our successful BOG 2026 campaign with an indoor picnic (thanks to inclement weather), our children began their Sunday School endeavors on September 13th and enjoyed the blessing of their backpacks, and we enjoyed wonderful music from our children, the FPCH Ringers, and our adult and children's choirs.

This month, we are pleased to announce many activities that are available to our congregation members. We will have our second Clothing Drive on October 3, we have a Fall Work Day scheduled for October 10th, we have Second Sunday for our younger kids hosted by Pastor Erin about the sacrament of communion, and we are looking to launch a monthly youth group for our pre-teens and teens in grades 6-12. Parents, you should be receiving an email from the church providing details, and we are hopeful that our first event, a Halloween celebration, will be on October 25th at the Chapel.

Also, be sure to check out an opportunity to attend Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center for a Fall Fun Day on October 4th from 1-6:30 PM and note that we are in need of people to host our Second Sunday events at the church. See more information in the article about our Second Sunday in October.

As always, if you have any news you would like to submit for publication, please feel free to see me in church or email me. I always encourage personal stories from our congregation members. I look forward to seeing you each Sunday in worship.

Yours in Christ,

MaryAnn Simmons

DATES TO REMEMBER - SEPTEMBER 2026

- 01: Music Rehearsals - FPCH Ringers at 6:30 PM and Senior Choir at 7:30 PM, both in the Music Room
- 03: Fall Clothing Drive - 9AM truck pick up
- 04: Worship and communion - 10 AM; World Communion Sunday; livestream through Facebook; Sunday School; Joyful Noise/Unity Chimes Rehearsal after worship
- 04: Fall Fun Day - 1 PM - \$25.00 fee at Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center Route 519, Johnsonburg, NJ - contact office @johnsonburg.org for more information or 908-852-2349
- 06: PLEFF Dinner - 6:30 PM at The Riverside Diner, Belvidere
- 07: Yarn Girls - 1 PM in the Conference Room
- 08: Music Rehearsals - FPCH Ringers at 6:30 PM and Senior Choir at 7:30 PM, both in the Music Room
- 10: Church grounds Fall Clean up 10 AM -12:30 PM
- 10: Community Dinner - 5:30-7 PM at the Chapel
- 11: Worship - 10 AM; livestream through Facebook; Sunday School; Joyful Noise/Unity Chimes Rehearsal after worship
- 11: Second Sunday - 11:30 AM -1 PM
- 13: Deacon's Meeting - 6:30 PM in the Conference Room
- 15: Music Rehearsals - FPCH Ringers at 6:30 PM and Senior Choir at 7:30 PM, both in the Music Room
- 17: Men's Breakfast - 8:15 AM - at the Chapel; Ladies' Breakfast - 9 AM - at the River Star Diner
- 17: Church Grounds Fall clean up rain date
- 18: Worship - 10 AM; livestream through Facebook; Sunday School; Joyful Noise/Unity Chimes Rehearsal after worship
- 20: Session Meeting - 6:30 PM, in the Conference Room
- 22: Music Rehearsals - FPCH Ringers at 6:30 PM and Senior Choir at 7:30 PM, both in the Music Room
- 25: Worship - 10 AM; livestream through Facebook; Sunday School; Joyful Noise/Unity Chimes Rehearsal after worship
- 25: Youth Group Gathering - 4-5:30 PM at the Chapel
- 27: Ladies Who Lunch - 12 PM at The Stonewood Tavern, 239 Route 206, Byram, NJ
- 31: Happy Halloween

A NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

Knowing When It Is Time to Change

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Bring on the change of the seasons! Fall has always been a wonderful season for me. I love the leaves changing color, the smell of fire from fireplaces and all the fun treats. And for me, Fall is a time when I take stock of what I need to let go of towards this last quarter of the year.

However, let's be honest. A lot of change in our lives comes without our permission. Health challenges, the death of a loved one, or a national tragedy all force change upon us when we least expect it. Those types of changes have the ability to see what hope, resilience, and love can do to carry us through. Other times those changes strip away what we once thought was real and allow us to see what is right in front of us.

How do we know when God is calling us to a change in our lives or the life of our community? I believe it is when we have a dream, a wish from which we cannot let go. Maybe it is to be more patient with the people we love, to be more assertive with what we need, to be more kind, to have a different job, or to be more healthy. You sense a shift starting to happen and you don't quite know how to do it. God invites you to grow. And perhaps God invites us to let go of a few things as we are drawn to this change. Maybe it is old habits, maybe it is the way we see God, maybe it is the belief that we cannot do it. Sometimes seasons in life call us to let go.

And when we can really let go, and let the new life rise out of the ashes, we can slowly but surely find the beauty in what is before and what is to come. As the leaves change and the sun begins to set earlier, what is God inviting you to let go of? I pray that you may notice and respond to the God of all life as you watch the season change. For God's love is everlasting.

Pastor Erin

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

BY: MARYANN SIMMONS AND OUR TEACHERS

Our first few weeks of Sunday school have been filled with exciting activities. In our PreK-1 grades, Emily Tischler spent time introducing the Creation story and talking about how God made the world, the animals and all living things. We discussed how caring for animals is one way we can care for God's creation. The children made bird feeders using Cheerios, sun butter and birdseed, and we played a Creation themed bingo game.

During week two, they learned that Noah listened to God and that God cared for Noah and the animals. The children helped act out the story. They then made rainbow promise clouds using cotton balls, colored paper and animals on an ark. Our message was "God keeps His promises."



Betsy and Nadia Hanson and the second through fourth graders are learning about the life of Jesus as the theme for this year's activities.

So far the teachers and students talked about the prophecy of His coming from the Old Testament and then how God used angels to talk with Mary and Joseph. The students will be having "**Christmas in October**" and we ask that each child bring in something meaningful to them from their own Christmas celebrations. In addition, the students are in the process of making "books" of their activities throughout the year and they cannot wait to share them with the congregation in June.

Our middle schoolers in grades 5-7 are using a curriculum called *Echo the Story* and it focuses on both the Old and New Testaments. John Mark Wojcicki, their instructor, is pleased with the enthusiastic response the students have regarding their lessons.

We hope you will look forward to hearing updates about the lessons throughout the year. Please see photos of your children in action in the September highlights.

SECOND SUNDAY TO FEATURE COMMUNION EDUCATION

BY: MARYANN SIMMONS AND PASTOR ERIN

Yes, we took a month off from hosting Second Sunday, but rest assured, we will be back in action on Sunday, October 11th featuring Pastor Erin who will engage our youngsters in the story of Jesus breaking bread, making placements for the table, creating handprint prayers, and another surprise activity. These crafts will help all understand the concept of communion, in honor of World Communion Sunday, which occurs on October 4th.



This activity is open to kids of ALL AGES and is sure to help them learn how to pray for people around the world, and learn the importance of family sitting around the table. Please be sure to register on the sign up sheet so that we know how many plan to attend.

For all future Second Sundays, we are hoping to group the children according to grades in school so that we have less of a disparity in ages. To that end, we will be seeking volunteers who would like to orchestrate an activity geared to grades PreK-1, 2-4 and 5-7 for future activities. We will still have lunch provided each month and we will offer fun biblical activities, but we need people to volunteer to conduct the chosen Sunday. We will provide



a sign up sheet for our adults to identify the topic for the grades on assigned months or you can use the suggested activity for the month. You just need to present your lesson on your designated Sunday. More information will follow during church announcements.

Thank you for assisting in maintaining this valuable mission to our children here at FPCH. Any questions, see MaryAnn Simmons or Pastor Erin.

GET READY FOR OUR FIRST YOUTH GROUP GATHERING

BY: MARYANN SIMMONS

Attention parents of all 6th through 12th graders. FPCH is creating a youth group and we are looking to kick off the festivities with our first event on Sunday, October 25th at the Chapel from 4-5:30 PM.

We hope to create a welcoming place where young people can build friendships, have fun, talk about the things that matter to them, and explore their faith together. Students are welcome to invite a friend.

Our gatherings will include games, snacks and conversation, a Bible passage, and prayer. We'll also ask students what activities they would enjoy at future meetings. James Engel, Nadia Hanson, Betsy Hanson, MaryAnn Simmons, and Pastor Erin will share leadership of the group.

We plan to meet on the fourth Sunday of each month, with occasional changes around holidays. For our first gathering, students are welcome to bring a snack to share, but bringing one is not required.

Please indicate your interest on the sign up sheet on the information table in the sanctuary so we can plan accordingly. Be sure to identify if you plan to bring a friend.

We look forward to making this event and all future events fun filled and exciting for your youth and hope you can encourage them to attend.

Any questions, see any one of the individuals identified in this article or feel free to reach out to us at your convenience by using the church directory for contact information.

SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 3rd IS OUR CLOTHING DRIVE

Attention all FPCH members. Now is the time to start cleaning out your closets to make room for those new school clothes for the kids, new seasonal outfits, or new work attire. Remember to put those unwanted clothes into bags and drop them off for our second clothing drive of the year.

All clothing, accessories, towels, sheets, belts, scarves, hats, jackets are welcome. Shoes should be put into their own bags. We also accept stuffed toys, bicycles, car seats, and toys smaller than 2 feet high.

All items may be dropped off and placed in the garage at any time - just remember you need to go into the office to access the key to the garage. If you missed the early drop off date on Tuesday, September 29th, you can drop them off on the day of the drive by 9 am before the truck arrives. As always, thank you in advance for your donations.

OCTOBER GREETERS

Oct 4: Carol and Pete Miller

Oct 11: Karen and Mark Cramer

Oct 18: Sharon Stymacks and Kathleen Slater

Oct 25: Erin and Chris Roguso

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SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

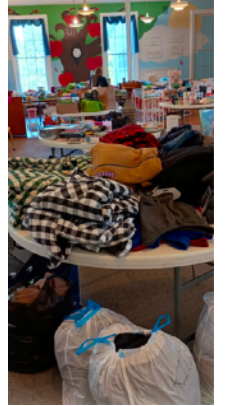
In September, we covered a lot of fun activities with our congregation, including great music events, two baptisms, Bibles given to our third graders, and a blanket for Andy Djongang. We also have included photos from our PreK - 1st grade in action from week one of Sunday School. Check out these photos and more throughout the newsletter. Photos courtesy of Lorinda Ravo, Mary-Ann Simmons and Emily Tischler.



NEWS FROM THE DEACONS

By PAT BUTTS

The Deacons held a successful Free Market on September 19th. It is so wonderful to offer this mission to the community but it could not have been done without many hands. We would like to thank all those who participated in this mission, from donating items, bringing items from our garage to the Chapel, setting up tables, unpacking boxes, putting out items for display, and helping during the market. Then there was the boxing up of the leftover items and getting them to places that will then help others. Thanks to all and we look forward to the next Free Market in 2028. (PS: the diapers and wipes we collected all summer were distributed to those parents in need during the market.)



Thank you also for the overwhelming response to the collection of eyeglasses and hearing aides. We will continue this mission which will be so helpful to others.

We will hold another clothing drive on October 3rd and the proceeds will be used to support our compassionate ministries. If you miss this one, another drive will be held in the Spring.

As always, we appreciate your continued support of the Little Pantry. Donations are always accepted.

If you have any questions about any of our missions, feel free to see one of the Deacons.



SEPTEMBER 2026 FINANCIAL \$NAPSHOT

BY: JACKIE HAMMEL

Snap Shot of September Income and Expenses

Income	
Operating Income	\$7,857
Building Fund Income	\$1,099
Total.....	\$8,956

Expenses	
Elizabethtown Gas	\$382
HMUA	\$375
JCP&L	\$597
Comcast	\$388
Janitorial	\$800
Payroll	\$8,189
Pension	\$2,927
Total.....	\$13,658



Next month I will provide the congregation with a snapshot of the Designated amount totals so that all can see support for the causes we maintain each month.

If you have any questions, feel free to email me at treas.fpchnj@gmail.com

FPCH CELEBRATES GENEROSITY OF THE CONGREGATION AT PICNIC

BY: MARYANN SIMMONS

Oftentimes, we do not realize how appreciated we are until we get together to celebrate a milestone. That is precisely what FPCH did on Sunday, September 13th.

Many members of our church community were responsible for helping make our Building on Generosity Capital Campaign 2026 come to fruition so that we could correct the drainage system and repave the parking lot of our church. Our members were able to raise \$89,707.03!

As a way to thank you all, we held a church picnic (even though it was inside at the Chapel due to inclement weather) and enjoyed fine food and fellowship.

We at FPCH have always been a tightly knit family and your generous donations toward this campaign clearly demonstrated that fact. The church leadership - Pastor Erin, members of the Session, and the Deacon Board - are so appreciative of your willingness to rise to the occasion to make these corrections possible.

Below are some snapshots of the picnic. Photos courtesy of Lorinda Ravo. Thank you to all who provided goodies for the event.



FPCH WITNESSES TWO BAPTISMS IN SEPT

Below are images from the baptisms of Millie Maia Thees (from September 6th) and Sadie Mae Haar (September 13). Congratulations to the parents, Matt and Maddie Thees and Connor and Samantha Haar. Photos courtesy of MaryAnn Simmons. Be sure to see the related news article on the following page.



Photos of Matt and Maddie Thees, with their daughter Millie Maia, Pastor Erin, and Stephan Kling, the proud grandfather.



Photos of Connor and Samantha Haar, with their daughter Sadie Mae, the proud godparents, and Pastor Erin.

WELCOME TO FPCH, MILLIE MAIA THEES AND SADIE MAE HAAR

BY: MARYANN SIMMONS

September was a busy month for baptisms, as Pastor Erin officiated this sacrament of Millie Maia Thees, daughter of Matt and Maddie Thees, on September 6th, and Sadie Mae Haar, daughter of Connor and Samantha Haar, on September 13th.

Matt and Maddie Thees are thrilled to continue the Kling legacy by coming home to First Presbyterian Church in Hackettstown, where Maddie’s grandfather was a former pastor and both she and her dad, Stephan Kling, were baptized. Millie, who is named after her maternal grandmother, was a perfect little angel during the event.

Samantha and Connor Harr had their daughter, Sadie Mae, baptized before many relatives, including the proud

grandparents, Kim and Jeff Newton. After the service, all proceeded to celebrate the event at the Chapel where we enjoyed the church picnic and some baptismal cake.



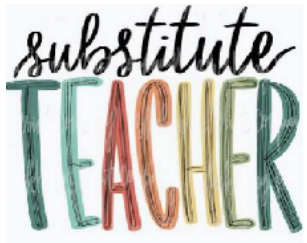
Congratulations to the Thees and Haar families on this wonderful occasion. May you know that your daughters will be loved by the members of this congregation and they will enjoy a life of faith at this official time of entry into the church at First Presbyterian of Hackettstown.



SUNDAY SCHOOL IN NEED OF SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

BY: MARYANN SIMMONS

As you know, our Sunday School program is growing and that means we need to have people lined up to serve as back up teachers when our regular teachers cannot be here due to prior commitments.



If you are interested in assisting with this program, you do not need to have any teaching experience - just a willingness to engage with our students and help them along with their faith journey. Our teachers will provide you with lesson plans that you can follow or we can have emergency plans ready for you if that time arises.

Please contact MaryAnn Simmons or Pastor Erin if you would like to be a part of this wonderful mission.

CHECK OUT OUR “WALL WORDS”

BY: LORINDA RAVO

We enjoy helping you get to know our Sunday School students. To that end, each month we give them a prompt and record their answers which decorate the wall by the ramp entrance to the church. Our first question: “Outside of Sunday School, what is your favorite thing to do?” Check out their sweet answers on the apple cut-outs on the wall.

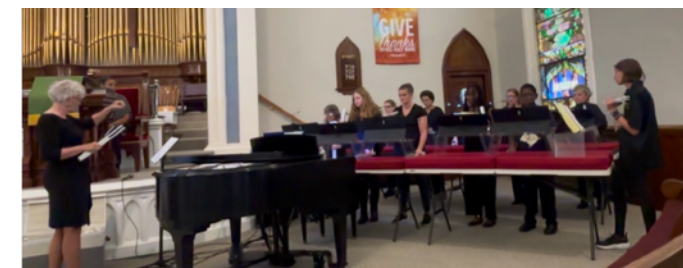


MUSIC NOTES

BY: LORINDA RAVO

In October, our music during the service will be:

- Oct 4: One World, One Communion - Senior Choir
- Oct 11: The Church's One Foundation - FPCH Ringers
- Oct 18: Lord, I want to be a Christian - Senior Choir
- Oct 25: Sing Praise - Joyful Noise Bell Choir
Jacob's Ladder - Little Lights Sunday School Choir



Music Highlights from September 2026

CHURCH GROUNDS CLEAN UP ON 10/10

BY: DIANE HULL

Fall is here, so it is time for our annual Fall Church Work Day. Please bring your gifts for raking, weeding, dusting, window cleaning, and organizing on that day so we can spruce up the outdoor grounds and inside our sanctuary.



As you can see, we will be working both outside and inside, so dress appropriately for your designated area. Tools and supplies will be provided, but if you would like to bring your own, feel free to do so. Start time is 10 AM and we will work until approximately 12:30 PM. Refreshments will be provided for all workers.

If we have inclement weather, we will meet on October 17th.

Many hands make light work, so your help is greatly appreciated! We hope to see you on the 10th.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE...

BY: LORINDA RAVO

If you have been thinking about being a part of any of our music ensembles here at FPCH - Senior Choir, FPCH Ringers (adult chimes), Joyful Noise Bells (for kids in grades K-3), or Unity Chimes (for kids in grades 3 and up) - please be sure to speak with Lorinda for more information. People are welcome to come in and give it a try at any time throughout the year. Adult Choir and Ringers meet each Thursday evening for rehearsal, and the music ensembles for the younger kids meet each Sunday after worship.

A NOTE ABOUT OUR MESSAGE BOARD

BY: BEVERLY SAUNDERS AND MARYANN SIMMONS

Lo, I Am With You Always

Matthew 28:20

As you all are aware, our message board is located at the front of the church on Main Street in downtown Hackettstown. It is maintained by our very own Beverly Saunders and a few other ladies who change the message each week. This month, we would like to highlight the scripture verse taken from Matthew 28:20 - "Lo, I Am With You Always."

What a way to communicate with passersby, those who drive by and those who walk by, every day. We choose Biblical verses and maxims that are uplifting, that fortify our Christian faith.



How easy it would be to have specialized guidebooks and compasses as we go on our journey through this life, but there are no such things. It's not that easy. Sometimes it's hard to make sense out of our suffering. However, through it all Jesus says that "He is with us always." Even when the sky grows dark and

the path gets rough, He is always with us.

May you all find inspiration in these words each day as you pass by this sign.

Sharing God's Bounty

Humble Stewards

As stewards, we are the recipients and caretakers of God's goodness, love, mercy, and grace. Stewards are managers of God's creation. We acknowledge God as the owner; therefore, we are to act not as owners but as managers because our lives and resources are simply on loan from him.

The book of Daniel gives an account of a man who failed to recognize God as Creator and provider and exalted himself. King Nebuchadnezzar, walking on the roof of "his" royal palace, surveying "his" kingdom, was overcome by pride as he announced, *"Is not this the great Babylon I have built as the royal residence, by my mighty power and for the glory of my majesty"* (Daniel 4:30)? He thought he was asking a rhetorical question, but God condemned him to live like an animal as a consequence of his pride.

Pride is destructive. It destroys gratitude to God for all his kindness to us. It destroys our desire and ability to serve others. It destroys contentment for it feeds our competitive nature so that we are not satisfied with just being wealthy or intelligent, but we want to be wealthier and more intelligent than anyone else.

Pride has no place in the life of a servant. First Peter 5:6 reads, "Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand that he may lift you up in due time." It is God alone who can exalt us (Psalm 75:7). If Christ himself, God's only begotten Son, humbled himself, should we not follow his example and humble ourselves? Because Christ humbled himself, God exalted him (Philippians 2:9)

David, the shepherd-king, put our situation in proper perspective: *"When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him"* (Psalm 8:3-4)? The inference is that we are insignificant, yet David goes on to remind us of what we can be proud: *"You made [us] ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under [our] feet."*

Humility allows us to accept our smallness and God's goodness. Humility is the decision to "let God be God." We are stewards through humility. We are to honor God with what we have, what we are, and what he will make of us.

Whatever standard we, choose, be it tithing or some other, it must never be confused with the reason for giving. We give because God has blessed us and because we want with all our hearts and minds to return to God that which God has given. This is the motive.

G.R.O.W. TEAM NEWS

BY: BILL CORS

Rethinking Stewardship

"Leading Edge" is a very popular cultural term, borrowed from the aviation industry, and often used to describe something new or exciting or racy, or dare I say, sexy. In our FPCH congregation, some leading-edge examples might be the re-crafting of the stained-glass windows, the new and shiny siding on the church and the steeple, or the recently repaved parking lot. These are all things that are important to our congregation and make us feel good about being a part of this wonderful church;

HOWEVER,

In aviation, it is actually the "Trailing Edge" of the wing that contains all the necessary flaps and controls to actually keep the airplane aloft. It is equally important to understand this even though the "trailing-edge" is less glamorous. Without it, the plane crashes. In our FPCH congregation, it is the operations that sustain the mission of the church. It is the salaries of incredible staff to lead and coordinate church operations and activities. It is the utilities that provide us with light and warmth and comfort. It is the insurance policies that help protect our assets and mitigate against disasters. It is the buildings that we use to worship and sing and gather together in so many different ways to celebrate Christ in our midst. It is the snow plowing and the grass cutting and all the other "necessities" to help us maintain our sacred spaces. Without this, there is no FPCH;

SO, WHAT HAS ALL OF THIS TO DO WITH STEWARDSHIP?

Stewardship can be many different things, but one very important part of stewardship is the day in and day out financial support all the "trailing-edge" activities that keep our church from crashing. So, this year, please consider re-framing how you view stewardship. Instead of looking at it as the, "Oh here we go again with the church asking us for money to support its budget and its operations", please definitely reconsider re-thinking it as a "leading-edge" item in the same league as any other "leading-edge" project. One suggestion is to call it the "Mission Sustainment Project." Quite simply put, mission is first and foremost why FPCH exists (and has existed for over 263 years). This year's ASK will be centered on the very fundamental need to sustain mission going forward.

Thank you for considering different ways to view stewardship.

CAMP JOHNSONBURG SPONSORS FALL FUN DAY ON OCTOBER 4TH

BY: MARYANN SIMMONS

Have you ever been to Camp Johnsonburg located on Route 519 in Johnsonburg, NJ? If not, now is the time to become familiar with this Christian Retreat Center which is just 20 minutes from our church.

Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center is a non-profit Christian camp nestled in the northwest region of New Jersey's beautiful highlands that provides year round youth retreats, family fun days, church retreats, and summer camp programs.

On Sunday, October 4th, the camp will be hosting a **Fall Fun Day** from 1-6:30 PM on their campground. Registration is just \$25.00 per person and it is a fun way to become familiar with this location so that when your children would like to encounter a great camping experience in the summer, they will be prepared to go on their own.

For more information, you can go to the Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center Route 519, Johnsonburg, NJ **website** at campjburg.org or you can email office@johnsonburg.org or call 908-852-2349.

Other Fall events scheduled at Johnsonburg include a High School Retreat on November 20-22 and a Middle School Retreat on December 4-6.

If you would like to learn about some

firsthand experiences, talk to any one of our past confirmation students who can tell you all about their time at the camp last December. Hope to see you at the camp on October 4!



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1: Tim Gelsinger
- 3: Jolene Stark
Randi Venturini
- 5: Kerrie Nilsen
- 7: Martha Anyangwe
Sara Kshatri
- 10: Chris Bramley III
- 12: Pam Covert
Chris Ratti
- 13: Tracey Gelsinger
Sarah Wojcicki-Rabuan
- 18: Nicholas John Wojcicki
- 19: Rhonda Stone
Sharon Wojcicki
- 21: Deborah Gulick Shepherd
- 22: Heather Dartnell
- 25: Brielle Plumbo
- 28: Vanessa Neice
- 29: Allison DelPlato
- 30: Guy Collina, Jr.
- 31: Chris Roguso



WE CELEBRATE YOUR DAY WITH YOU!

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 7: Chip & Amy Cochran
- 7: Pete & Carol Miller

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following
in your prayers:

Eugenie Chetangie
Churches throughout the U.S.
Pam Covert
Shirley DeLoia, sister of Phyllis
Prestopine
FPCH and Friends of FPCH
Dan Gardner
Pat Gohlich
Dick Gregory
Terry Gretchen
The Hackettstown
Community
The Immigrant Community
Barbara Hall
Maikuu congregation,
Kibwezi Kenya
Ani McDonagh
Jessica McDonagh
Members of the Armed Forces
Barbara Pace, niece of Phyllis
Prestopine
The Phoebus Family
Dale Pritchett
Rayman Sookhoo and the
Sookhoo Family
Carol Spitzer
Emily Tischler
The food insecure
The homeless
Those affected by recent weather
Those struggling with
addictions and mental health
Those recovering from surgery
Those traveling

