## GET INVOLVED

#### **CALENDAR**

### September

- 7 FeNix Youth | 7pm
- 9-10 Churchwide Fast & Prayer | 7pm
- 10 Fast-Breaking Meal & Prayer | 6pm
- 16 Children's Sunday school classes begin
- **17** Wayback Burger PAAK fundraiser
- 30 Homegroups start meeting this week.
- **30** ALL-RISE Worship Night | 6:30pm

#### October

- 7 Women's Ministry Potluck
- 8 Prayer Meeting
- 11 Exploring Iron Works Church
- 20 Pumpkinfest

Sign up for weekly email updates on all events: info@ironworkschurch.org



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#### GENERAL FUND

\$5,768

average weekly giving (actual)

\$5,346

average weekly giving (budgeted)

#### BUILDING FUND

PAAK Building Fund

CURRENT: \$239,370 | 72.5%

GOAL: \$320,000

BY DECEMBER 31, 2018

Contact Drew Gess with questions: andrew.gess@yahoo.com.

#### **CHURCHWIDE FAST AND PRAYER**

This fall, Iron Works will as a church seek God's face for big things in Phoenixville through a time of corporate prayer and fasting. This time will be taken to pray for a powerful movement of the Holy Spirit, that God's kingdom may come in our city and beyond. Fasting will begin at **7pm** next Sunday, **September 9**. We will break our fast together at **6pm** Monday, **September 10** with a meal and a time of prayer and worship. IWC will provide lasagna; you can bring a salad, drink or dessert. Please RSVP at **ironworkschurch.org/fast** so we know how much to order.

#### **WOMEN'S PRAYER PARTNERS**

Women who participate in this 8-week session will be paired with one other woman for focused prayer and encouragement. Sign-up deadline: **September 9**. Contact Roberta Weinberg (**rwrweinberg8@gmail.com**) if interested; please include what homegroup you are in (if applicable).

#### **WOMEN'S BOOK DISCUSSION & BREAKFAST**

Saturday, **Sep. 15**, **9-11am**, there will be a ladies' breakfast and book discussion hosted and led by Lisa Gerard. The short book to be discussed is *Can I Have Joy in Life?*. Please RSVP by **Sep. 2** so that the correct number of books can be ordered. Contact Lisa Gerard **Lanngerard@verizon.net** 

#### TWO BY TWO: INTO THE HARVEST

As God sent Jesus, so He sends us into the world (Jn 10:21). We are witnesses (Acts 1:8) and sent to witness (Mt 28:20). Starting **Sep. 16**, Pastor Stan will hold a 7-week training during Open Space (**Sundays @ 9am**) to equip us for gospel outreach. It will involve weekly classes and partnering with another for support. Questions? **stan@ironworkschurch.org** 

#### PAAK "FOOD FUNDRAISER"

Monday, September 17, from 5 to 8pm, Wayback Burger will be donating 25% of of your purchase to PAAK with the presentation of a flyer (shown on your phone or printed). The flyer will be distributed by email and on Facebook before the event. Questions? Email Matt McGoldrick: matt12val@gmail.com

#### **HOME GROUPS BEGIN SOON**

Home groups—meeting biweekly in homes throughout the region for a time of fellowship, scripture study, and prayer—are where you can best know and be known by others in the church. They will restart the **week of September 30**. For more info on group schedules and locations email **info@ironworkschurch.org** or visit **ironworkschurch.org/small-groups** 

#### **ALL-RISE PRAYER & WORSHIP**

Join us at Steel City Coffeehouse on **September 30 at 6:30pm** for an all-RISE prayer and worship night, where we'll join with other Phoenixville churches to pray for our city.

#### We're so glad you could join us today! Some details to help you find your way:

- Restrooms are located in the far end of the bistro area.
- Children are always welcome in the service, but there is also nursery provided for children 0-3, as well as a room down the hall streaming the audio and slides from the service (make a right out of Franklin Hall, suite 245 at the end of the hallway). Children's classes for kids aged 4 through 2nd grade will be dismissed in the back of the hall during the Passing of the Peace, as directed by the liturgist, and will return in time for communion and closing. The first Sunday of most months is Doodle Sunday, and the older children will remain in the service with special activities designed to aid their participation.
- Come early to enjoy refreshments before the service or stay after to get to know your neighbor!

# IRON WORKS CHURCH

www.ironworkschurch.org | 484-928-0560 | info@ironworkschurch.org | SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2018 | 10:30 AM

# THE GATHERING

**SONG OF PRAISE:** Glory Be To God The Father

#### **GREETING**

LEADER: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP:** Colossians 1:12-16

With joy; giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

#### **SONGS OF PRAISE**

To Christ the Lord Steadfast

#### **PRAYERS OF ADORATION**

We invite you to individually (and loudly) speak out to God your praise, thanksgiving or Scripture passage.

# CONFESSION OF FAITH

Q. What is Fasting?

A. Fasting is abstaining from food or some enjoyment for a period of time for spiritual concerns, focusing on Christ and His purposes in the world.

- from Internalizing the Faith: A Pilgrim's Catechism

#### **RESPONSE SONG:**

Jesus My Savior (Thou Art My Life)

# THE PEACE

LEADER: May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

#### **WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **OFFERTORY**

Gifts to Iron Works Church may be received in the box at the back or online.

#### **PASTORAL PRAYER**

THE WORD

**SCRIPTURE READING**: Acts 13:1-12

**SERMON** | Rev. Darin Pesnell Hearing the Voice of God



# THE SACRED SUPPER

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

**PEOPLE:** And also with you.

LEADER: Lift up your hearts!

PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord!

LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

#### **SANCTUS**

#### PRAYER OF APPROACH

LEADER: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

PEOPLE: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my heavenly Father; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life, and makes me whole-heartedly willing and ready, from now on to live for Him.

#### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

LEADER: Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

PEOPLE: Christ has died. Christ is risen.
Christ will come again!

# INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE DISTRIBUTION OF THE CUP

#### **COMMUNION SONG**

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All: Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# THE SENDING

#### SENDING SONG

Establish The Work Of Our Hands

#### **BENEDICTION**

LEADER: May you empty yourself of all distractions that keep you from hearing the voice of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

#### **SENDING**

LEADER: Go forth to love and serve the city.

PEOPLE: Alleluia. Amen.

If you have a need for prayer today, please come to the back of the room immediately after the service. People are standing by there to pray for you.

#### **Guidelines for Reception of Communion:**

The Lord's Supper is the family meal of Christians. We invite all committed followers of Jesus Christ to partake of this sacrament: those who are baptized members under the care and oversight of a congregation which proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and with their neighbor, and who seek strength to live more faithfully for Christ. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers that follow as guidelines. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.

#### SILENT PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

#### **Prayer for Those Searching for Truth**

All right God, I am pressed and discontent. I am drawn to certain aspects of Christianity, which is why I guess I am here. If you are really there, then who are you, Lord? If you are Jesus Christ, who claimed to be the way, the truth, and the life, please guide me into this reality. Are you calling me? Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

#### Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through You, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. You paid my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and trust you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### Prayer of Commitment for Those Not Yet Baptized

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. I resolve before You to take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

#### Prayer for Those Refusing to Reconcile with One Another

Lord Jesus, I do not want to forgive and be forgiven. My situation of offense seems to me an insurmountable obstacle. Grant that I may discern the body of Christ in my sisters and brothers. Melt my icy heart with the cross, because I cannot forgive without knowing anew how much I have been forgiven. Help my unbelief that I may find my reputation, respect, security and welfare in you. May mercy triumph over judgment in my life. Amen.

## ACTS 13:1-12 (ESV) | Hearing the Voice of God

1 Now there were in the church at Antioch prophets ar	nd
teachers, Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius	of
Cyrene, Manaen a lifelong friend of Herod the tetrarch, ar	nd
Saul. 2 While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the	ıe
Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the	ne
work to which I have called them." 3 Then after fasting ar	nd
praying they laid their hands on them and sent them off.	

so, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to
Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus. <b>5</b> When they
arrived at Salamis, they proclaimed the word of God in the
synagogues of the Jews. And they had John to assist them.
when they had gone through the whole island as far as
Paphos, they came upon a certain magician, a Jewish false
prophet named Bar-Jesus. 7 He was with the proconsul,
Sergius Paulus, a man of intelligence, who summoned
Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God. 8
But Elymas the magician (for that is the meaning of his name)
opposed them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the
faith. <b>9</b> But Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy
Spirit, looked intently at him 10 and said, "You son of the devil,
you enemy of all righteousness, full of all deceit and villainy,
will you not stop making crooked the straight paths of the
Lord? 11 And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon you,
and you will be blind and unable to see the sun for a time."
mmediately mist and darkness fell upon him, and he went
about seeking people to lead him by the hand. 12 Then the
proconsul believed, when he saw what had occurred, for he
was astonished at the teaching of the Lord.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!** 

