

This Sunday, May 4, 2025

Guest Preacher:

Rev. Debra Given

For those who have been members of PCL for a while, Rev. Debra Given needs no introduction! But for those who are newer, you should know she was the Pastor of PCL for 15 years, preceding Leah Fowler's tenure, and during that time she served a term as the Presbytery Moderator. While at PCL, she accompanied the church on mission trips to Guatemala and Uganda. Debra enjoys hiking, sewing, dancing, singing, and visiting her children and grandchildren. After her retirement, she founded a hospice choir called Eventide. She is a cancer survivor, and the mother of 3 adult daughters including another pastor. She's a graduate of Earlham College and Yale Divinity School. She is honorably retired from ministry and lives in New York City, where she worships at Broadway Presbyterian and sometimes at The Riverside Church.

Worship is at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary with a livestream on Facebook. We hold Sunday School for children and youth at 9:30 upstairs; Adult Bible Study at 9:30; and Activity Period for grades 4 and younger following the Children's Sermon.

Be well and enjoy the beautiful Spring Weather,
Pat Major, PCL Church Administrator



Coming Up at PCL

PASTORAL TRANSITION

The session approved a contract with the Rev Mike Eller as our Interim Pastor. Mike will begin work on May 12 and his first Sunday leading worship will be May 18th. We are very excited to get to work with Mike preparing our church to call a permanent installed pastor.

FAMILY HIKE The PCL Congregation Hike is THIS Sunday, May 4th (rain date 5/18), following worship. If you're planning to leave straight from the church, DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR LUNCH WITH YOU TO CHURCH!

All ages are welcome! Meet at 12:30 at Englewood Picnic Area in Palisades Interstate Park. If you need a ride or wish to carpool, contact Vicky Li @ vlnamnyak@gmail.com. Click on link for additional details and a link to maps.

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1kTSAzaCy_MN9EOoQ5IbYmZ38gEnHMs5YD1XB5efypME/e/dit?usp=sharing

LEONIA DAY Volunteers are needed to staff the PCL information table at Leonia Day, Saturday,

May 3 from 12:00 - 4:00 PM in Wood Park. We want to make sure the wider community knows that PCL is alive, well, and thriving! Please see SignUp Genius and help spread the word (and Word): <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4EAFA92AA6F8CF8-56148490-volunteers>

WATERING PCL TREES The eight young trees we received from Leonia Tree Commission once again need watering to keep them healthy through the hot, dry summer months. Use the link below to sign up to water them two times a week for a given week.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4EAFA92AA6F8CF8-56545220-watering>

BENEFIT SCREENING OF LAS ABOGADAS: ATTORNEYS ON THE FRONT LINE OF THE MIGRANT CRISIS Debra Given's daughter, Zoey, is organizing a fundraising screening of this internationally acclaimed documentary highlighting attorneys and their work with migrants seeking to enter the US. The NYC showing is on May 9, 5 pm at Broadway Presbyterian Church, 114 and Broadway. Tickets \$25. Q & A with the lawyers and reception follow. For additional info, go to latinamericanrelieffund.org.

AND SAVE THESE DATES

Sun. 5/3/25 Leonia Day.
Volunteers needed to staff our table.
Wood Park 12:00-4:00 p.m.

Sun. 5/4/25 Family Hike See details above

Every 1st Sunday of each month Hikes (weather permitting) Begin 6/1. Hikes will be at various locations in the area, and will typically be appropriate for families. Bring lunch.

Sat. 6/7/25 Leonia Pride 2025 Volunteers needed to staff our table. Wood Park, 2:00 - 5:00 PM

Sun. 6/15/25 Sunday School Appreciation Day & All-Church Picnic Details to come

TBD Beach Day(s) Details to come

1st Weekend in Sept. Fall Retreat @ Camp Johnsonburg. Whether we include Friday is still to be determined.

Continuing Activities

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY meets at 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays on Zoom. Join for the study of Matthew at this link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86166063706?pwd=y7nbfwjZp1TaYUBC2aU9uXBh69aExa.1>
Meeting ID: 861 6606 3706
Passcode: 683327

ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLASSES meet weekly and will end in May. For information go to learnenglishinleoniamia.org.



From Our Deacons...

PASTORAL CARE In this transitional time for our church, the Deacons are prepared to respond to pastoral care needs. You may email Deacons@leoniapres.org or in an emergency, call Deacon Vicky Li at 201-790-5474 or Deacon Linda McGarry at 201-575-1465.

IN OUR PRAYERS

- 🕒 We thank God for the life of Betsy's mother who passed last week and we pray that you will comfort Betsy, David, and their family in this time of grieving.
- 🕒 For Cory Lehnbeuter who celebrated a birthday earlier this week.