

First Presbyterian Church



Hackettstown, NJ

June 13, 2021

Vision Statement of First Presbyterian Church

Strengthening families;
Sowing friendships;
Serving community;
In the name of Jesus Christ

PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come into him and eat with him, and he with me. Jesus is waiting for us to reach out. Let us join together and reach out to our God.

HYMN All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

1 All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

4 O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Glorious father, please let your ears always be attentive to our prayers. Holy Spirit, continue to teach us how to love You, Jesus, our brother, and our father, God. Please touch the hearts of those who do not adore the Lord, and help them to love him with all their hearts, souls, and strength. Please remind each of us of the many things that God does for us daily and help us to spend more time in praise and adoration. Help us to be a thankful congregation to reflect the glory of God by the way we live our lives. Holy Spirit, help us to always be mindful of your presence in our daily lives and help us to be quick to respond when you quicken us to action. Lord God, great and marvelous are your works! Just and true are your ways. Who will not

fear you and glorify your name? You alone are holy! All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous deeds have been revealed. In Jesus name, amen.

NURTURING FAITHFUL FRIENDS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess to God whatever has wounded us
Or brought injury to others,
That we may receive mercy
And become for each other
Ministers of God's grace.

CONFESSION

Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to you. For these things we ask your forgiveness and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to you in our world. Remind us to be who you would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to you and build a relationship with you and with those you have given us on earth. In Jesus name, Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news!
Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ, and Christ died for us,
Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us,
Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Know that you are forgiven
And be at peace. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Corinthians 5 :6-10,14-17

⁶ So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— ⁷ for we walk by faith, not by sight. ⁸ Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. ⁹ So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. ¹⁰ For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

¹⁴ For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. ¹⁵ And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them.

¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view;^[a] even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view,^[b] we know him no longer in that way. ¹⁷ So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

Mark 4 : 26-34

²⁶ He also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, ²⁷ and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. ²⁸ The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. ²⁹ But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.”

³⁰ He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? ³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; ³² yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” ³³ With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; ³⁴ he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

SERMON

Rev. Jeanette Hile

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostles’ Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

DOXOLOGY

**DEDICATION AND PRESENTATION : OF HIGH SCHOOL
GRADUATION BLANKET FOR ANABETH FERNANDEZ**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION/PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING HYMN Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

1 Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!

2 With voice as full and strong as ocean's surging praise,
send forth the sturdy hymns of old, the psalms of ancient days.
[Refrain]

5 Then on, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.
[Refrain]

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

GOOD NEWS: NEW SUNDAY SERVICE POLICY

Sunday service is now truly OPEN beginning TODAY.

Service will be held in the CHURCH ALL SUMMER.

Services will begin at 10am for June and 9am for July and August.

The Session has approved the new Sunday Service Policy from the
Worship Committee and the Presbytery has agreed.

The main points of the Policy are:

Masks are not required for vaccinated people.

We will use the honor system. No judging,

No preregistration.

No temperature checks.

The balcony is open to all.

We will still have social distance seating.

The CDC requires masks to be worn when singing.

Communion will continue to be bring your own bread only.

For full copy of the policy please contact the church office

Share Our Smiles

One of the things that we've been missing lately is the opportunity to share our joys with each other, so we're adding that to our worship service and newsletter! During the announcements in church, we'll be sharing those wonderful events, milestones, achievements, and then we'll also add them to our monthly newsletter. Do you have a new job, a wedding, a graduation, a new baby or grandchild, an award that's been received by a family member? We want to let our church family know so that they can share in that joy, and honestly, couldn't we all use the happiness of hearing GOOD news?

If you have good news to share, send it to Pat Gohlich at gohlich73@gmail.com and let us all celebrate with you!

A NOTE FROM YOUR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee continues to meet throughout the year. Please let us know if you or someone you know has a calling to serve in any of our roles in the life of the church. These names will be considered, but may not be nominated for a variety of reasons. Please email your suggestions to the Nominating Committee Chair, Jen Aquino at Aquino.jennifer@hotmail.com

Adult Bible Study

THIRD WEDNESDAY NIGHT JUNE, at 7PM via ZOOM.

The ZOOM Meeting ID for this meeting is 728 059 2407

The next meeting is scheduled for **June 16th**. We will be covering the parable of the workers in the vineyard from the gospel of Matthew.

For more information, please contact Ryan Van Orden at

ryovie@aol.com

FYI-INFORMATION

6/6/2021	In-Person Attendance	25
	Virtual Attendance	99
6/6/2021	Weekly Offering	\$2,370

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES at FPCH June 14-19, 2021
Monday-Friday 9am-12:00pm Church Office
NO visitors - staff only.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES in our Chapel June 14-19, 2021

Monday	10:30-11:30am	AA Step by Step
	7:00pm	Boy Scout Troop 158
	7:00pm	Girls Troop 143
		Scouting BSA
Tuesday	Not Meeting at Chapel	NA Change or Die
Wednesday	Not Meeting at Chape	AA Sober Living Book
	7:30-9:00pm	Stone Soup Symphony
Thursday	Not Meeting at Chapel	AA New Beginnings
Friday	Storage use only	Colonial Musketeers



FOR PASTORAL CARE,

Call the church office at: 908-852-4011.
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