First Presbyterian Church Hackettstown, NJ



June 1, 2025
Vision Statement of First Presbyterian Church

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

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PRELUDE

Take My Life and Let it Be

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy. For the Lord Most High is awesome, the great King over all the earth.

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.

*HYMN Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! 1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

OPENING PRAYER

ANTHEM

Indonesia and New Zealand

As the wind song through the trees, as the stirring of the breeze, so it is with the Spirit of God. As the heart made strangely warm, as the voice within the storm, so it is with the Spirit of God. Never seen, never known where this wind has blown bringing life, bringing power to the world, as the dancing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep desire, so it is with the Spirit of God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give him glory. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The God of all grace, who calls us to eternal glory in Jesus Christ, will restore, support, and strengthen us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 93 & Acts 16:16-34

SERMON

Rev. Erin Hayes Cook

*HYMN

I Lord the Sea and Sky

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I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

Refrain

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts of love alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest Bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

*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.

OFFERING INVITATION

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*DOXOLOGY:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, praise Him all creatures here below, praise Him above ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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Feed us, Lord. Feed us, Lord. In the broken bread, be revealed again. Come and feed our hearts, O Lord.

Quench us, Lord. Quench us, Lord. On this thirsty ground, may your love flow down. Come and quench our hearts, O Lord.

Fill us, Lord. Fill us, Lord, with the bread and wine of the risen Christ. Come and fill our hearts, O Lord.

Lead us, Lord. Lead us, Lord, nourished here by Christ, given strength for life. Come and lead our hearts, O Lord.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

As a sign of hospitality we offer gluten free bread for communion.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...(Pastor continues)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen.

WORDS OF THE INSTITUTION

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN Peace of God Be With You
Peace of God be with you. Peace of God be with you.
Salaam, salaam. Peace of God be with you.

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*RESPONSE Come, O Holy Spirit, Come 283 Come, O Holy Spirit, come; Come, almighty Spirit come; come, come, come.

Sing Praise to God, You Heavens! POSTLUDE

Serving Our Congregation Today

Preacher: Rev. Erin Hayes-Cook Worship Leader: James Tischler Music Director: Lorinda Ravo Greeting: Pat Butts & Bev Saunders Video: Jean Zetterberg

The cards this week on the piano for you to sign are for our friends: Carol Spitzer & Brenda Zellars

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

Interested in joining our church as a member? We would love to talk more with you about our ministry here. Feel free to fill out a visitors card and hand it to one of our ushers or Pastor Erin and we will make sure to reach out to you!

STEW'S CLUE!

Kids (and grown-up kids too), did you find Stewie last week? He was hiding by the flag on the information and sign up table in front of the church. This week's clue is: angel.

PENTECOST OFFERING NEXT WEEK

We will collect the Pentecost offering during our worship service on Sunday, June 8th.

- 40% stays with our congregation to support our youth and children. This year we will put aside that money for scholarships for youth and children who would like to attend Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center.
- 25% supports Young Adult Volunteers (YAV) who serve in communities around the world as they learn about Christian service.
- 25% supports ministries with youth including the Presbyterian Youth Triennium.
- 10% is devoted to children at risk for education and safe havens.

See our bulletin insert for ways to give.

JUNE'S SECOND SUNDAY - June 8th

Kids, be sure to sign up for next week's Second Sunday where we'll be making our own fidgets! The sign up sheet is on the information and sign up table in front of the church.

JULY'S SECOND SUNDAY - WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Lorinda and family will be joyfully attending their nephew's wedding in Massachusetts on the weekend of July 12-13, so we need a volunteer to provide for a Second Sunday activity for our kids. If you are willing to share your interest or talent with kids, please see Lorinda or Pastor Erin!

JOHNSONBURG CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER

Parents, grandparents and those who love kids and youth! You know how important it is for your children to learn skills for living in this world... and that doesn't stop in the summer! Research shows the value of a week at summer camp (especially faith-based summer camps like Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center) every year. **Visit Johnsonburg.org TODAY** and register for a week of camp so your child can make new friends, spend time away from screens, relax and run in God's creation, and worship outside this summer. It WILL make a difference in their life! Want to talk to someone? Call the Johnsonburg office today at 908-852-2349.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER AND STUDENT RECOGNITION NEXT SUNDAY!

Join us next Sunday, **June 8th** as we recognize our Sunday School Teachers and students. Now that Sunday School is on summer break, please remember that the Sunshine Bags will be available to all students during worship.

FYI-INFORMATION

5/25/25	In Person Attendance	95
	Virtual Attendance	175
	Offering	\$4,353.21

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES at FPCH		June 1-7, 2025
Sunday	10:00 am	Worship
Sunday	11:05 am	Joyful Noise Bells rehearsal
Mon/Fri	9:00 am-12:00 noon	Church office open
Mon/Fri	9:00 am-12:00 noon	Heaven Sent Nursery School
Saturday	3:00 pm	Stone Soup Symphony Concert
Saturday	6:00 pm	"Redd Up" sanctuary for
		Pentecost

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES in our Chapel -June 1-7, 2025

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Monday	10:30-11:30 am	AA Step by Step
	7:00-9:00 pm	Jazz Band
Tuesday	7:30-9:00 pm	NA Change or Die
Wednesday	7:30-9:00 pm	Stone Soup Symphony
Thursday	10:30-11:30 am	AA New Beginnings
Friday	Storage use only	Colonial Musketeers
	7:00-9:00 pm	Colonial Musketeers Sr.
	7:30 pm	GA Meeting
Saturday	7:00 pm	12 Steps



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