

First Presbyterian Church Hackettstown, NJ

June 21, 2026



PRELUDE

Jesus Loves Me!



THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said that whoever welcomes one of his followers, welcomes Jesus himself.

All (Turn to the person beside you and say "Welcome to our worship.")

Whoever welcomes Jesus, also welcomes God.

All (Turn to someone else and welcome them)

Whoever offers even a cup of cold water to one of God's children will be blessed by God.

All are welcome here! Let us worship God.

***HYMN**

This is My Father's World

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This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought of
rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world. O, let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world. The battle is not done: Jesus
who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.

TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

LORD'S PRAYER

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.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient God, each and every day you offer to us new hope and special blessings. From the rising of the sun to its descent, the light of your love pours on your creation. We love all these things, but we want to hold onto each of your blessings just for ourselves. Teach us to share openly and willingly with others. Forgive our selfishness and turn it to selflessness in service to you. Clear our minds and spirits from sadness to a sense of joy and adventure; for we offer this prayer in Jesus' name. AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*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

2 Corinthians 9:7-14
Matthew 10:24-39

SERMON

Rev. Erin Hayes Cook

*HYMN

Be Thou My Vision

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Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of Heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA

We trust in God the Holy Spirit everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

DEDICATION OF THE BUILDING ON GENEROSITY 2026

OFFERTORY *As the Wind Song* **Blessing Anyangwe, soloist**

***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 THE PEOPLE

CLOSING HYMNLet Us Build a House***301**

Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions: all are welcome; all are
welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and
true, where all God's children dare to seek to dream God's reign
anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness and as symbol of God's
grace; here as one we claim the faith of Jesus: all are welcome; all are
welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found in water,
wine, and wheat; a banquet hall on holy ground
where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through
Jesus is revealed in time and space; as we
share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are welcome;
all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the
wood and stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known. Here the outcast and the
stranger bear the image of God's face; let us
bring an end to fear and danger: all are welcome;
all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

CHARGE AND BLESSING**RESPONSE** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine* (Refrain) **839**

This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

POSTLUDE*The Chase Op. 100, no. 9***Burgmuller**

Serving Our Congregation Today

Preaching: Rev. Erin Hayes Cook

Musician: Blessing Anyangwe

Worship Leader: James Tischler

Video: Gilbert Anyangwe

Greeting: Jan Courtright & Pam Venturini

***The cards this week on the piano for you to sign are for our friends:
Sharon Heil & Gwenn Bartku (sympathy for husband, Louis)***

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!

GUEST PREACHER NEXT WEEK

Laura Choi will be our guest preacher on June 28. She is currently a candidate for ordination in the PCUSA, waiting to receive a call. She and her husband, Rev. Stephen Choi, live in the Stewartsville area. She has a deep abiding love for people as evidenced in her advocacy work in education and throughout our denomination. We will be blessed to hear her preach a word!

JULY SECOND SUNDAY!

What does the verse from 2 Corinthians 5:17 have to do with Second Sunday? On Sunday, **July 12**, from 11:30-1:30, we'll be making something new out of pieces from something old. Come and learn about mosaic art! Be sure to preregister on the sign up sheet on the information table.

STEW'S CLUE!

Kids (and grown-up kids too), did you find Stewie last week? This week, Stewie thinks you should look near another sheep.

GUEST MUSICIAN

We are delighted to welcome Blessing Anyangwe to the piano today as she is substituting for Lorinda while she and Al are at a family event in Virginia. Thank you, Blessing, for sharing your time and talent with us!

RAISE RIGHT GIFT CARD PROGRAM

Help support the mission of our church by purchasing gift cards. Over 700 of your favorite companies participate and FPCH gets a percentage of every gift card purchased (at no additional expense to you) with Raise Right. You can purchase online, with our coordinator Geof Gohlich or via the app. For more information see our flyers in the sanctuary.

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FYI-INFORMATION

6/14/26	In Person Attendance	91
	Virtual Attendance	72
	Offering	\$3,846.99

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES at FPCH

June 14 - 20, 2026

Sunday	10:00 am	Worship
Mon/Fri	9:00 am-12:00 noon	Church office open

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES in our Chapel - June 14 - 20, 2026

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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