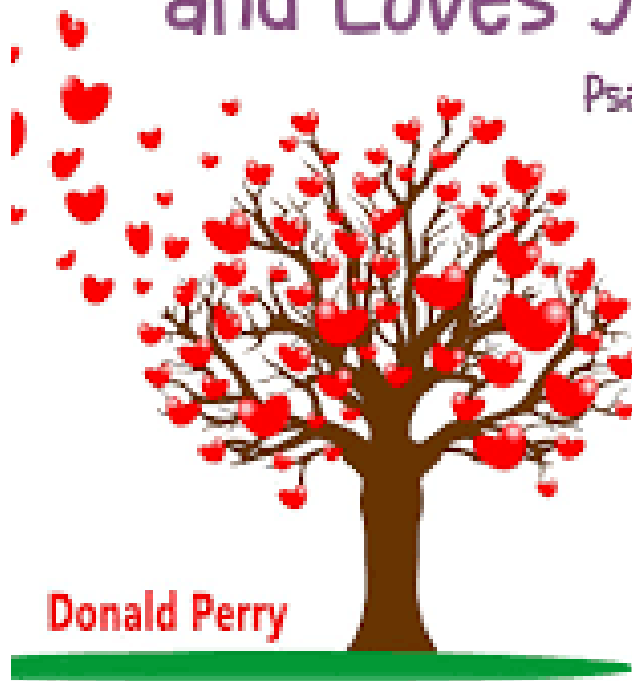


First Presbyterian Church Hackettstown, NJ

May 31, 2026

God Knows, Cares,
and Loves You!

Psalm 139:1-12



Donald Perry

PRELUDE

Take My Life and Let It Be

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

We've come to worship God,
who loved us before we were yet born,
who knows us even better than we know ourselves,
whose presence never leaves us,
and whose love for us never ceases.
This is our God. Let's worship together!

***HYMN**

Holy, Holy, Holy

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

TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE The B-I-B-L-E

The B-I-B-L-E, Yes that's the book for me.

I stand alone on the word of God, the B-I-B-L-E.

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

Holy One, we confess we wear masks to hide ourselves. We hide our hurt and pain for fear we might look weak. We hide our joys and happiness for fear we might look like we don't care about those who suffer. We hide our mistakes. Forgive us for thinking we can hide from you. Forgive our wandering hearts that pick ease over what is authentic. Help us to pray with all of who we are. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Freedom is ours in Jesus' name, 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 139:1-12

Matthew 6:1-15

SERMON

Rev. Erin Hayes Cook

HYMNCome, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove***279**

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
with all thy quickening powers; kindle a flame of
sacred love in these cold hearts of ours.

In vain we tune our formal songs;
in vain we strive to rise; hosannas languish
on our tongues, and our devotion dies.

Dear Lord, and shall we ever live
at this poor dying rate? Our love so
faint, so cold to thee, and thine to us so great!

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
with all thy quickening powers; come, shed abroad a
Savior's love, and that shall kindle ours.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The United Church of Canada*

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

OFFERING INVITATION**OFFERTORY***Jesus Loves Me****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.

***PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

***CLOSING HYMN** *There's a Sweet Sweet Spirit* **408**

There's a sweet, sweet, Spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; there are
sweet expressions on each face, and I
know they feel the presence of the Lord. (Refrain)

Refrain

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove, stay right here
with us, filling us with your love; and for these blessings we
lift our hearts in praise; without a doubt we'll know that we have
been revived when we shall leave this place.

There are blessings you cannot receive
till you know him in his fullness and believe;
you're the one to profit when you say, "I am
going to walk with Jesus all the way". (Refrain)

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***RESPONSE** *Come into God's Presence v.4* **413**

"Praise the Lord together singing "Glory to God, alleluia, alleluia."

POSTLUDE *The Glory of God in Nature*

Serving Our Congregation Today

Preaching: Rev. Erin Hayes Cook

Worship Leader: Pat Butts

Music Director: Lorinda Ravo

Video: Erin Roguso

Greeting: Erin & Chris Roguso

The cards this week on the piano for you to sign are for our friends:

Harry & Annette Knauer & Jim Simmons

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!

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER AND STUDENT RECOGNITION

Join us on Sunday, **June 14th** as we recognize our Sunday School Teachers and students. When Sunday School is on summer break, please remember that the Sunshine Bags will be available to all students during worship.

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 or Ray Sookhoo.

JUNE SECOND SUNDAY!

June's Second Sunday will be on **June 14th**. We'll be making all manner of beaded crafts: Perler bead creations, bracelets/necklaces using pony beads and letter beads, and those interested will also be able to make braided friendship bracelets (and if you don't know how, we'll teach you!) Be sure to preregister on the sign up sheet on the information table.

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.

STEW'S CLUE!

Kids (and grown-up kids too), did you find Stewie last week? This week, Stewie thinks you should look on a bulletin board.

Scan here to donate:



FYI-INFORMATION

5/24/26	In Person Attendance	153
	Virtual Attendance	224
	Offering	\$2,801.30

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES at FPCH

May 31 - June 6, 2026

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

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES in our Chapel - May 31 - June 6, 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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