

**First Presbyterian Church
Hackettstown, NJ**



February 14, 2024

Vision Statement of First Presbyterian Church

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come, God may we feel your presence here.

Tune our hearts to sing thy praise.

Come, Holy Spirit may we know be moved by your presence.

Tune our hearts to confess.

Come, Lord Jesus, we need you more each day.

Let us worship.

HYMN

Jesus Calls Us

720

Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our
life's wild, restless sea; day by day his sweet voice
soundeth saying, "Christian, follow me."

Jesus call us from the worship of the
vain world's golden store, from each idol that would
keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows, days of
toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior,
may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy
obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess: we don't return to you fully.

**We share with you the pieces of our lives that are
convenient. We put on different hats in different rooms.**

**We forget that we are called, invited, and loved with all that
we are—including our mess, our beauty, our faith, and our
doubt. Forgive us, and give us hearts that long to return.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, God sees you. God hears you. God loves you. You are forgiven and claimed with all that you are. Rest in that good news.

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 25:1-10

SOLO

I Come To The Cross

Deborah Gulick-Shepherd, soloist

I come to the cross seeking mercy and grace, I come to the cross where You died in my place. Out of my weakness and into Your strength, Humbly I come to the cross.

Your arms are open, You call me by name, you welcome the child that was lost. You paid the price for my guilt and my shame, Jesus, I come, Jesus I come, Jesus I come to the cross.

SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 58:1-12

MEDITATION

Pastor Erin

IMPOSITION OF ASHES AND BLESSING

You are invited to come forward for ashes or a blessing.

HYMN

Take My Life vs. 1,2, 5 and 6

697

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord to thee;
take my moments and my days; let them flow in
ceaseless praise; let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love;
take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee,
swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet
its treasure store; take myself and I will be
ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Come to Me, O Weary Traveler

**We are grateful that you began your Lenten journey here.
May God's guiding Spirit be with you!**



LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Join us for Lenten Bible Study on Mondays at 10 am (starting February 26) and Wednesdays at 6:30 pm (starting February 21). We will use the study from Wandering Heart, no book to purchase. If you would like a Lenten Devotion, please sign up in front of the church. All are invited.



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