

**First Presbyterian Church
Hackettstown, NJ**

July 5, 2026



THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

O sing to the Lord a new song;

Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Declare God's glory among the nations;

Tell all the people of God's marvelous works.

Say among the nations: The Lord is sovereign!

God will judge the peoples with equity.

Let us worship God.

*HYMN

Let Us With a Gladsome Mind

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Let us with a gladsome mind praise the Lord who is so kind:

for God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

God, with all commanding might, filled the new made world with light:

for God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

All things living God does feed; with full measure, meets their need:

for God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

Let us with a gladsome mind praise the Lord who is so kind:

for God's mercies shall endure, ever faithful, ever sure.

TELL ME SOMETHING GOOD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

A summer of Action (songs)

If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands XX (repeat!)

If you're happy and you know it, then your face will surely show it.

If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands XX.

If you're happy and you know it, stamp your feet.....

If you're happy and you know it, shout AMEN!.....

If you're happy and you know it, do all three! (clap, stamp, shout!)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sins of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

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 LESSON

Psalm 126

SERMON

Rev. Erin Hayes Cook

***HYMN**

To God Be the Glory

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To God be the glory; great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the lifegate that all may go in. (Refrain)

Refrain

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory: great things he has done!

Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (Refrain)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earths, 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

OFFERTORY *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

***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**

***COMMUNION HYMN** *Eat This Bread*

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Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst.

Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to Christ and never be hungry. Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in Christ and you will not thirst.

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 *Change My Heart O God* 695**

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

You are the potter, I am the clay, mold me and make me

This is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

***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;

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POSTLUDE *God of our Fathers*

Serving Our Congregation Today

Preacher: Rev. Erin Hayes Cook

Worship Leaders: James Engel

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:

Dick Gregory & 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!

NEWSLETTER

If you have your Newsletter mailed to you, please be sure to pick up your copy this morning at the signup table. We are trying to be good stewards of our finances, so by picking up your copy it saves the church \$2.00 per copy. Thank you.

JULY SECOND SUNDAY!

What does the verse from 2 Corinthians 5:17 have to do with Second Sunday? Next 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.

COMMUNITY DINNER

Our next Community Dinner will be held on Saturday, **July 11** at 5:30pm. If you would like to assist please contact Carl Erickson. Extra hands are always appreciated.

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.

STEW'S CLUE!

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

Scan here to donate:



FYI-INFORMATION

6/28/26	In Person Attendance	55
	Virtual Attendance	77
	Offering	\$989.38

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES at FPCH

July 5 - 11, 2026

Sunday	10:00 am	Worship
Mon/Fri	9:00 am-12:00 noon	Church office open
Saturday	5:30 pm	Community Dinner

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES in our Chapel - July 5 - 11, 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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