

First Presbyterian Church

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June 2, 2024

Second Sunday After Pentecost Worship & Communion

10:00 AM

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

* = Please stand in body or in spirit

WELCOME! We are glad you can join us for worship here and online.

Visitors, please sign the guest book located in the narthex. Prayer request cards are available in the racks within each pew. Please *remember to turn off all devices as we turn towards God*.

GREETINGS TO THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

PRELUDE "Thy Word" arr. John Carter

* CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively)

by Rev. Christopher Ney

One: As we gather in this time of worship, we give you thanks, O God, for all the ways that you bless our lives:

lives:

All: The beauty and abundance of nature, the love of family and friends, the joy of knowing you and hearing your word.

One: Send Your Spirit during this time of worship so that we might dream your dreams and see visions of the world as you created it to be.

All: Guide our thoughts and actions. Bring us closer to you so that we might do your will and dwell in your house forever.

* HYMN # Green 8 "Gather Us In" Marty Haugen vv. 1.3.4

(At this time, ushers will receive any written prayer requests. Blank prayer request cards are available in the racks within each pew. Please feel free to fill one out and give it to an usher or email office@fpcboonton.org)

INVITATION TO SEEK GOD'S GRACE

PRAYER SEEKING GOD'S GRACE: (In unison)

by Rev. Karla Miller

O rushing wild Spirit of God, pour out the fire of love upon us! Unlock our minds to embrace all possibility, unleash our hearts so Your justice flows freely. May Your breeze bring health and wholeness, may Your breath heat our resolve, may Your Spirit storm the earth with mercy and grace. Set us free from self-doubt, make us listeners as we seek awareness, shake us awake when we forget our privilege. O rushing wild Spirit of God, pour out the fire of Your love upon us!

SILENT REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

TIME FOR MISSION

GOD'S WORD TO US

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: (In unison)

by Worship@North

O God, the Three in One, you draw us into your community of love with people across the ages and around the world. By the same Spirit that binds us together, speak to us that what we read and ponder may enliven us and stretch us to trust and follow you; through Christ our Savior. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 15:7-11

p. 172

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 4:32-37

p. 122

One: This is the word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

SERMON "Cultivating Community"

Pastor Carie

A MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

(A quiet time for contemplation on the preached scripture.)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"He Shall Feed His Flock"

John Ness Beck

(Please remain silent during this time of worship, dedication and prayer)

* PRESENTATION / DOXOLOGY: (In unison)

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

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN # Blue 507

"I Come With Joy"
vv. 1-3

American folk melody

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER: (In unison) "forgive us our sins, as...sin against us"

BREAKING OF THE BREAD/DRINKING OF THE CUP

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE (Please take each element [bread/wine] and hold it until we take it together. Gluten/egg free crackers are in the middle of the plate.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: (In unison)

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GOD'S PEOPLE GO INTO THE WORLD

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

POSTLUDE "How Majestic Is Your Name" arr. Keith Christopher

Pastor: The Rev. Carie Morgan

Organist/Choir Director: Sarah Jane Zollner

Lay Reader: Pat Maraziti

Firemen's Home: The Storas and Marion Gingery

Ministers: All the People of the Church

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 2 – June 8 ~ Second Sunday After Pentecost		
Sunday	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary and online)
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour – Leftover Sunday (Library)
	11:15 am	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
	7:00 pm	AA (Reighart Hall)
Monday	6:30 pm	NA PIC Meeting (Reighart Hall)
	7:30 pm	NA - Lost and Found Group (Reighart Hall)
	7:00 pm	LG Board Meeting
Tuesday	4:00 pm	NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
	6:30 pm	Deacons (Library)
	6:30 pm	Cub Scouts (Reighart Hall)
Wednesday	10:30 am	Bible Study (Library)
	3:00 pm	Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	6:30 pm	OPS (Zoom)
	4:00 pm	Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
Thursday	1:15 pm	Discernment Study Small Group (Library and Zoom)
	6:30 pm	Hand Bell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Friday	1:00 pm	LG Graduation (Sanctuary)
Saturday	8:00 am	Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	9:00 am	Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

June 9 – June 15 ~ Third Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday	8:15 am	Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	10:00 am	Music Sunday – Worship (Sanctuary and online)
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour (Library)
	3:00 pm	NJ Conservatory Recital (Sanctuary and Library)
	7:00 pm	AA (Reighart Hall)
Monday	7:00 pm	Session (Library)
	7:30 pm	NA - Lost and Found Group (Reighart Hall)
Tuesday	4:00 pm	NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
Wednesday	10:30 am	Bible Study (Library)
	3:00 pm	Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	4:00 pm	Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
	6:00 pm	Cub Scouts (Reighart Hall)
Thursday	1:15 pm	Second Thursday Adult Group (Library)
	6:00 pm	Girl Scouts (Reighart Hall)
	7:00 pm	Women's Bible Study (Library)
Saturday	8:00 am	Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	9:00 am	Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

^{*}The calendar can also be found on our website under news and events:

Announcements

We are glad you are worshipping with us today!

HEARING AIDS/RECEIVERS – We have hearing aid receivers available during the worship service. Please ask an usher if you would like to use one. **PEW PILLOWS** – are available during worship for those of you who would like additional back support. Feel free to pick one up or have an usher bring one to you!

LAY READER – Pat Maraziti grew up in Mountain Lakes and has lived in Boonton Township with her husband, Charles for over 50 years. They have two married daughters and five grandchildren who reside in Pennsylvania. Pat currently serves as a Deacon and is a member of the Chancel Choir. She enjoys volunteering in the Loaves & Fishes food pantry.

WORSHIP FLOWERS NEEDED You can sign up on the chart by the Sanctuary doors. One or both of these arrangements are delivered to the sick and homebound each week and bring connection and cheer. The office will contact you regarding the \$40 flower donation and bulletin dedication.

COFFEE HOUR *Leftover Sunday*! Join us in the library for leftovers and a great time of fellowship! Please consider **sponsoring or hosting** coffee hour. You can sign up on the board next to the office (or consider donating to the jar in the library). Congregational Life will provide coffee.

MISSIONS - We are always accepting Mission Donations through Breeze or they can be mailed to or dropped off at the office.

DEACON OFFERING ENVELOPES are available for your use on Communion Sundays (small green ones in the pews). Please consider making a donation to the Deacon Fund.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY joins together at 10:30am in the FPCB Library and via zoom (an Adam Hamilton study on Simon Peter). *Link provided in weekly Inspire email*.

PW MOVIE NIGHT – on **June 7**th in the church library. We will be watching a musical in honor of Music Sunday which is happening on June 9th. The movie title is "In the Heights" (2021) a musical by Lin Manuel Miranda, the creator of Hamilton. Casting, choreography, songs and story all come together to offer pure joy in modern movie musical form. Your feet will be tapping and you will have a smile on your face! We love a film with a feature song entitled "Patience and Faith". Movie will start promptly so please **arrive by 7pm**. Come and join the post-movie discussion with your PW friends!

MUSIC SUNDAY – June 9th at 10 am. "A Festival of Hymns" by Hal Hopson performed by the Chancel Choir, Hand Bell Choir and readers from the congregation. Come and sing along! After enjoying the music come join the BBQ hosted by Congregational Life – all are invited! We will have bbq chicken, baked beans, corn on the cob, potato and pasta salad, dessert, iced tea and lemonade. We're asking for a \$10 pp faith offering.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY on the book of Psalms begins **6/13 at 7pm** in the church Library. Email Marilyn Ward if you haven't signed up already and are interested marilynward@msn.com

JOHNSONBURG SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP - The Deacons are once again offering a scholarship for any youth of our congregation who are interested in attending a week of summer camp at Camp Johnsonburg this summer. Please reach out to Spencer Keoppel if you are interested in taking advantage of this wonderful experience. spencerkeop@gmail.com

DISCERNMENT STUDY GATHERING - Sunday June 23rd

We have been using a Discernment tool called: Turn the Page. It is a guide to help congregations move into the next chapter of their life in worship and ministry.

"The discernment process is like the steps to solving a puzzle. Solving a puzzle requires inquiry and discovery, seeing patterns and forms and making sense of all the bits of information. As a congregation works their way through the discernment process, they pay attention, listen, inquire, and discover where God is at work. This means telling stories, listening deeply, seeing patterns, and making sense of all the different pieces of information, stories, prayers and conversations.

This discernment process will assist the congregational leadership to discover or rediscover the pieces of history, information, stories, and call of the congregation. It will also help them to see the patterns, shapes, and order of that information so that together the congregation can discover where God is calling them in this time and place.

During this discernment time, the congregation will discover and assemble the pieces and stories of their life in Christ together, to create a picture of who they are, whose they are, where God is calling the community of faith, and turn the page to the new chapter of their journey."

What dreams do you have for the next chapter of ministry here at FPCB?