



First Presbyterian Church
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October 6, 2024

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost
World Communion / Peacemaking & Baptism

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

"Peace, Perfect Peace"

Diane Bish

* CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively)

One: All around the world, people rise to greet the morning and sing praise to the Creator.

All: All over the earth, people hold hands around a table and offer thanks.

One: All around the globe, hearts hear a sacred melody and yearn for peace.

All: Throughout this day, across many lands, sisters and brothers touch the bread of life and drink the cup of joy. Together, we join in worship and praise.

* HYMN #8 Green

"Gather Us In"

Marty Haugen

vs. 1-3

(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 FOR WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY: (In unison)

PC(USA)

From every place on this planet, we turn our face to you, O God. Gather us, all your people, together, to pray. In the midst of the forces which would separate us, bind us in your love as the Church, together. Strengthen us through the grace of your people gathered, no matter how we gather, with the truth of your presence. In a world stretching toward wholeness, we celebrate with those whose lives bear the fruit of your Spirit and seek to share in your call to partnership. We celebrate with those whose efforts are making the world new. We celebrate with all who gather to earnestly seek your transforming work in the world.

SILENT REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Maevin Sue Henning

Elder: On behalf of the session, I present, Maevin Sue Henning, daughter of Samantha Eleanor Henning (Kerlin) and Jacob Victor Henning, to receive the sacrament of Baptism.

* HYMN

"Infant Baptism Hymn"

To be sung in unison to the tune *"Morning Has Broken"*

Maevin, we greet you on this glad morning.
Your day of life we now recognize.
Here is the water; we are God's people.
Sing we our praises to Christ the Lord.

Maevin, we name you and with thanksgiving
Offer our prayers and sing you this song.
We are the church, your spiritual family.
Sing we our praises to Christ the Lord.

GOD'S WORD TO US

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: (In unison) Christine Longhurst, re:Worship
Open our eyes and ears to the presence of Your Holy Spirit. May the seeds of Your Word scattered among us this morning, fall on fertile soil. May they take root in our hearts and lives, and produce an abundant harvest of good words and deeds.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 85:8-13 p. 543

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Mark 4:1-8 p. 38

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

All: Thanks be to God

SERMON *"Seeds of Peace"* Pastor Carie

A MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

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

* HYMN # Blue 386 *"O For a World"* Carl Gotthelf Glaser

TIME FOR MISSION

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY *"Draw the Circle Wide"* Mark A. Miller
(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

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

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/juice] and hold it until we take it together.
Gluten/egg free crackers are in the middle of the plate.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: (In unison)

Lead us, O God, to conform this world to your kingdom of love, justice, and peace. Help us to live as the Lord requires: to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.

GOD'S PEOPLE GO INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN # Blue 289	<i>"O God of Every Nation"</i> vs. 1 and 4	Welsh Folk Melody
* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		
* PASSING OF THE PEACE		
CHORAL RESPONSE	<i>"Siyahamba"</i>	South African
POSTLUDE	<i>"Proclaim the Glory of the Lord"</i>	arr. Mark Kellner

Pastor: The Rev. Carie Morgan
Organist/Choir Director: Sarah Jane Zollner
Lay Reader: Elaine Oussoren
Firemen's Home: Storas and Pat Maraziti
Ministers: All the People of the Church

LAY READER – Elaine Oussoren has been a member of FPC since 2007. She has served as an elder and is on the board of Loaves and Fishes. She works as a consultant in the pharmaceutical industry, and is married to Lisa.

CHANCEL FLOWERS

are given to the glory of God by the Deacons in honor of Maevin Sue Henning's baptism.

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of Boonton
We are glad you are worshipping with us today!

Mission Outreach:

PEACEMAKING OFFERING: Today is the last day to contribute. The Deacons will contribute 25% of the total funds collected to the **American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP)**. Please mail your donations to FPCB, 513 Birch Street, Boonton, NJ 07005 or donate through Breeze.

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

MEAL TRAIN: is an opportunity to provide a meal for a person or a family in their time of need. Please email Martel Roberts at martelroberts@gmail.com or call or text 973-216-0787 if you would like to volunteer to provide a meal or if you are in need of a meal.

FPCB DEACON'S ANNUAL COAT DRIVE: Please bring clean, lightly used coats and winter apparel (gloves, scarfs, hats and even blankets!) for adults and children. Coat giveaway & luncheon Saturday Nov. 23rd 12-2pm here in Reighart Hall. Donation **Deadline Sunday Nov. 17th** - Box on Bridge.

Worship:

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.

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!

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.

Fellowship:

COFFEE HOUR is hosted today by the Worship Committee and Choir. Please join us in the library for this 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.

FALL BIBLE STUDY: Wednesday, Oct. 9 at 10:30 in the library. We will be doing a six-week study on the Book of Acts “Acts: *Catching up with the Spirit*”. You can join us in person or via zoom All are welcome!

SECOND THURSDAY adult group’s next meeting is coming up on October 10th. Please bring your lunch, snack and beverage of choice and we’ll get started in the Library at 1:15.

HANDEL’S MESSIAH - Sing Handel’s Messiah with the Cathedral Choir & the American Chamber Orchestra December 7th at 7:00 PM, at Cedar Hill Christian Reformed Church in Wyckoff, NJ.

Interested singers are invited to come 2:30 PM, to the first of 9 Sunday rehearsals beginning **October 6th** at Midland Park Christian Reformed Church 183 Godwin Avenue Midland Park, NJ. (See flyer on bulletin board)

20th ANNIVERSARY ANNOUNCEMENT

This is a monumental year for music ministry here at FPCB! I am excited and honored to share that this fall is my 20th year of serving this congregation, my church family, as your organist and choir director. It has been an honor to make and share music with you for two decades! (I, of course, started here when I was 12!)

To commemorate this milestone, **I would like to extend an invitation to each of you to consider contributing \$20 or more to Music Ministry at FPCB.**

Your generous contributions will go towards supporting our upcoming musical ventures including funding instrumentalists for our **2024 Christmas Cantata to be held on Sunday, December 15th.**

For this and any future interest in financially contributing directly to Music Ministry here at FPCB, you can now go on Breeze and use the newly added dropdown ‘Music Ministry’. If you prefer you can put a check or cash in an envelope marked Music Ministry and drop it in the offering plate or mail your contribution to the church office adding Music Ministry in the memo line.

Thank you for your ongoing support and appreciation of our music ministry. I am looking forward to many more years of making church music memories with you!

- Sarah Jane Zollner

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 6 – October 12 ~ Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal - pickup choir (Sanctuary)
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary and online)
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour (Library)
	11:30 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)
Tuesday	4:30 pm	NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
	6:00 pm	Scouts Wolf Den Meeting (Reighart Hall)
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)
	6:30 pm	OPS Meeting (Library)
Thursday	1:15 pm	Second Thursday Adult Group (Library)

Saturday 6:30 pm **Hand Bell Choir** (Whitley)
 8:00 am Coffee & Services (Gateway)
 9:00 am Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

October 13 – October 19 ~ *Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost*

Sunday 9:15 am **Choir Rehearsal**- pickup choir (Sanctuary)
 10:00 am **Worship** (Sanctuary and online)
 11:00 am **Coffee Hour** (Library)
 11:30 am **Choir Rehearsal** (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
 7:00 pm AA (Reighart Hall)
 Monday 7:00 pm **Session** (Library)
 7:30 pm NA - Lost and Found Group (Reighart Hall)
 Wednesday 10:30 am Bible Study (Library)
 3:00 pm Coffee & Services (Gateway)
 4:00 pm Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
 Thursday 7:00pm Girl Scouts (Reighart Hall)
 Saturday 8:00 am Coffee & Services (Gateway)
 9:00 am Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
 12:30 pm LG Open House

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