

First Presbyterian Church

Trinity Sunday June 4, 2023 at 10:00

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Handbell Chimes – The ringing of the chimes invites you to a time of Rest... Renewal... Hope

Prelude

Lucas Brown, piano

Opening Prayer

All: O blessed Trinity, in whom we know the Maker of all things seen and unseen, the Savior of all both near and far:

By your Spirit enable us so to worship your divine majesty, that with all the company of heaven we may magnify your glorious name, saying: Holy, holy, holy.

Glory to you, O Lord most high. Amen.

- * **Hymn** #138 (below) "Holy, Holy Holy"
- * An Invitation to Experience God's Grace

One: In the name of the One God in Three Persons, we gather for worship. Let us confess the sin that closes our eyes to the glory of the Triune God.

- * Laying Down Our Burdens
 - All: God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way, and follow other gods. Have mercy on us. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name.
- * Silent Prayer
- * Declaration of Forgiveness
 - One: In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we are forgiven and freed. Claim your forgiveness. Rejoice in God's grace. Respond with love.
 - All: Amen. Thanks be to God!
- * We Celebrate God's Forgiveness #579 Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

* Sharing the Peace of Christ

- One: As God has forgiven us, let us forgive one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
- All: And also with you.

Children's Message

Celebrating the Life of the Congregation

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Registers and note those sitting around you)

GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

Prayer for Illumination

All: Open our hearts and minds by the power of your Spirit, Holy God, that we might hear and receive the message you intend for us today. Amen.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

One: Jesus said, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Believe in me."

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"On a Mission from (the Triune) God" Rev. Ma

Rev. Marvin Lindsay

- * We Affirm our Faith The Nicene Creed
 - We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
 - We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.
 - We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Practicing Abundant Generosity

- Offertory "Open My Eyes That I May See" Clara H. Scott Bud Miller, soloist
- * Doxology #592 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"
- * Recommitting Our Lives to Service

The Sacrament of Holy Communion Invitation to the Lord's Table Prayer of Thanksgiving The Lord's Prayer Breaking of Bread Communion of the People Prayer After Communion

* Hymn #429 (below) "Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

LEAVE TO SERVE

* Charge and Benediction

Sending Music

Lucas Brown, piano

Please use the Postlude time and music to reflect on today's worship experience and how it will support you in the week to come.

* Please stand in body or spirit

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WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH! It is good to have you here in person or online. Please be in touch if you have news to share or would like more information or to talk to a pastor. Staff contact information is below. Read full announcements in our weekly <u>email newsletter</u>, available on the church website. Subscribe on the <u>Contact Us</u> tab.

THE NURSERY care is available in the Hospitality Center – across from Fellowship Hall.

GIVE FROM YOUR PHONE – Use this QR code to go to the online giving page on your phone. You can still use this link: <u>https://onrealm.org/FirstPresbyteri11244/give/now</u>. Cash and checks are also gladly accepted. Include your name so your giving can be recorded.



AFTER-WORSHIP HOSPITALITY IS BACK! Linger a moment or two after the service to greet fellow worshippers. And please sign up with a friend or a group to host one Sunday by providing simple refreshments. There is a sign-up on the snack table or contact someone on the Hospitality Committee: <u>jmfiorella@gmail.com</u>, <u>shoemakerjanet68@gmail.com</u>, <u>qlerch2@comcast.net</u>, or <u>phurd75@gmail.com</u>,

MISSION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETS TODAY after worship in the Hospitality Center.

YOUTH SERVICE NIGHT IS TONIGHT – The monthly service night for Middle School and High School youth is this **Sunday, June 4.** From 5 to 6:30 p.m., middle schoolers are invited to make centerpieces and assemble utensil packets for Cathedral Kitchen, and make sandwiches for Joseph's House. We'll have pizza after helping others. From 6:30 to 8 p.m., high school students are invited to make homemade mac and cheese, Rice Krispies treats and cupcakes for Joseph's House. We'll have pizza first and then get to cooking and baking. Please RSVP to <u>cnyount@gmail.com</u>.

PW SPRING GATHERING – The Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery for Southern New Jersey and the PW Coordinating Team of First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown invite all women to a **Joint Spring Gathering on Thursday, June 8 at 6:00 pm** at First Presbyterian Church of Moorestown (101 Bridgeboro Road, Moorestown, Miller Commons). FPC's PW will be attending. A panel presentation, "What is a Christian Woman to Do?" will feature Rev. Dr. Debby Brincivalli, Dr. Leslie Spencer, and Jennifer Allen. Learn about the PWPFSNJ, its purpose and missions. For more information and registration: <u>https://fpcmoorestown.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1720338</u>.

LEARN ABOUT WELLNESS AT URBANPROMISE ON SUNDAY, JUNE 11 – Please join us in the Parlor on **Sunday, June 11**, immediately following worship, for an interactive hour-long workshop with Siomara Wedderburn, vice president, programs, and past director of Wellness at UrbanPromise. The Wellness Center at UrbanPromise receives financial support from this congregation by way of an annual donation from the Mission Committee. Ms. Wedderburn will talk about how UrbanPromise has adapted wellness and experiential learning as key strategic initiatives and integrated these across all programs at the school. Join us for conversation and fellowship as we learn more about this wonderful program.

WOMEN'S WALKING GROUP – Join Linda Hess on **Tuesday, June 13 at 10 a.m.** under the church portico for a walk through the neighborhood. The walk will be approximately 2 mi. and will last about one hour. Bring a little pocket change if you would like to continue in fellowship at Saxby's after the walk.

PASTOR NIKKI'S THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY meets next on June 15. See Adult Ed page of the website for more information.

PORCH BIBLE STUDY – The Porch Bible Study will meet in the Church Parlor in person on **Tuesday, June 20** at 4 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. We are studying Daniel and Esther. Bring your own beverage. Cookies will be provided. All are welcome to our time of study and prayer. For information, please contact Deb Nussbaum at <u>debranussbaum1987@gmail.com</u>.

PASTOR NIKKI LEADS SUMMER WORKSHOP SERIES – This summer Pastor Nikki is reprising the *Summer Workshop Series*, offering topics and subjects relevant to our faith life together. All workshops take place after Sunday worship in the Hospitality Center and will go for approximately one hour. Light snacks will be provided as well as ample time for questions and discussion!

First Up: Sunday June 25: 'Prayer'

Together we'll look at numerous resources on prayer. A variety of prayer books will be provided to peruse, along with resource lists of noteworthy authors, and famous (and not-so-famous) prayers. Along with suggestions for leading and sustaining prayer groups, we'll explore what scholars, pastors, and Jesus say about prayer. And finally, we'll learn more about creating our own prayers (and praying them aloud)!

Sunday July 16: 'The Art and Skill of Connecting'

This workshop will provide the tools to connect with visitors and members of our church and will also equip any person to reach out to someone who is in need or struggling.

Sunday August 13: Gun Violence

The Presbyterian Outlook is dedicating its June issue to the topic of gun violence. The Christian Education and Justice and Advocacy committees invite you to join a discussion on August 13. Copies of the issue will be available.

VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN! This year's VBS: Operation Restoration! invites kids to be

Menders in God's world. As they make connections between Bible stories and mending actions, they'll discover simple ways to live out faith in daily life by exploring the daily themes of Feed, Heal, Forgive, Pray, and Rest. Dates are July 24-28, 2023. The cost of the camp is \$25 per Mender, payable via Check (First Presbyterian of Haddonfield memo line: VBS), Venmo (@*FPCHaddonfield*), or through Realm (QR code links directly to Realm payment). Register Menders at <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/19Sy90YduYRl4CUBhARYBaO1dh-DDxjjbM-</u>mhEPWi6Do/edit?usp=drive_web or on the church website. We look forward to seeing you in July!



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THE MARKETING COMMITTEE IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS to help with new members classes, resurrecting rally day, and the fall festival in October. You don't need to help with all – just one will be appreciated. Please contact Margot Dark at <u>margotdark@msn.com</u>, or by text @ 609-238-0694.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE 5/28/23: 100 in person and 46 online

SCRIPTURE FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 11: Genesis 12:1-9

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan,

Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the Lord appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the Lord and invoked the name of the Lord. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.



138 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

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Reginald Heber (1783-1826) John Bacchus Dykes, 1861 Desc. David McKinley Williams, 1948 As in Hymns Written and Adapted, 1827 Descant 4. Ho ly, ly! Lord God Al - might 1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho y! --Thee, 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, all the saints a - dore ho ly! -3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ly! though the dark-ness hide Thee, ho God Al - might 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho ly! Lord - y! Ho ly, Ear - ly in morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee; the Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; gh the eye of sin - ful-ness Thy glo - ry may not see, Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea; Though the eye of All Ho ly. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y! ho -Cher-u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee, On - ly Thou art ho there is none be - side Thee ly; mer - ci - ful and might Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho ly! y! God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin i ~ ty. OO God in three Per sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty! Who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be. Per love and pu - ri - ty. bless-ed Trin - i - ty! fect in power, in God in three Per sons,

429 Lord, You Give the Great Commission

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 Lord, you bless with words assuring: "I am with you to the end." Faith and hope and love restoring, May we serve as you intend, And, amid the cares that claim us, Hold in mind eternity; With the Spirit's gifts empower us For the work of ministry.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST

Please pray for the following individuals and situations throughout the week. If you would like to add a personal prayer request, please contact one of the pastors or Anne Vial. In making requests on behalf of others, please obtain the permission of the person needing prayer. The requestor's name will be printed as the originator of the request. Requests will be revisited every 30 days.

- Pray for the **people, government, and country of Ukraine as war continues.**
- Please pray for our **Stephen Ministers** who have begun new caring relationships (5/27-Stephen Leaders)
- Prayers for the **family of friends of Anne Cooley** who passed away this week (5/26-pastors)
- Pray for **Hepsiba** that she would receive God's protection and guidance; also pray for spiritual growth and good health (5/26-pastors)
- Pray for Todd (5/24-N. Passante)
- Lift up prayers for **Susan**, who has just been diagnosed with brain cancer and a mass in lungs. Help her to feel God's presence and strength (5/23-C. Carty)
- Keep Isabel Pross in your prayers as she undergoes cancer treatment (5/23-pastors)
- Pray for the **family and friends of Helen Brotzman** who are grieving her death and celebrating her life (5/21-pastors)
- Prayers for the **family and friends of Dan Schwartz** who died Tuesday, May 16. Dan was an accomplished musician and longtime friend of Pete Devine and Lorraine Gormley-Devine (**5/17-L. Gormley-Devine**)
- Please pray for healing for **Caroline Yount**, whose broken foot requires an extended period of no weight bearing (5/15-pastors)
- Pray for **Armando.** God knows the needs (5/15-pastors)
- Pray for Karla as she mourns her mother (5/11-T. Adkins)
- Continue to pray for **Cole** as he continues cancer treatment (5/10-N. Adkins)
- Please pray for a treasured co-worker, **Leah M.**, who is overcoming a recent sudden hospitalization. Pray that she experiences healing and comfort, and continued recovery. (5/10-K. Hyslop)
- Pray for all the **Cancer Warriors' kids and moms** who are fighting and in treatment (5/10-N. Adkins)
- Pray for **Trish's friend Robin** as she celebrates what would have been her daughter Campbell's 14th birthday (**5/10-T. Adkins**)
- Prayers for **Tom Lutz**, a former co-worker of Dr. Lindsay in Missouri who's been battling pancreatic cancer for three years and has recently entered hospice care (4/24- M. Lindsay)
- Prayers for **Tim Ross**, a friend of ours in Columbia, Missouri diagnosed with AL (primary) amyloidosis a bone marrow disease similar to multiple myeloma (4/24 M. Lindsay)

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