



The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

May 28, 2023

10:30 a.m.

Day of Pentecost

"And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Acts 2:21

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

*Call to Worship (*Psalm 104:1-4*)

Leader: Praise the Lord, my soul. Lord my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.

People: The Lord wraps himself in light as with a garment; he stretches out the heavens like a tent

Leader: and lays the beams of his upper chambers on their waters. He makes the clouds his chariot and rides on the wings of the wind.

Unison: He makes winds his messengers, flames of fire his servants.

*Hymn

"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"

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Prayer of Confession

O Lord, you call us to seek the common good. You direct us to make room for other people's visions. You seek for unity between your people and joy in seeing one another. I give you thanks when all this is real. I confess when I flop. Pick me up and restore me to the joy of your salvation, a gift from Christ, our King. In Jesus's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 5:1)

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Choral Response

"Gloria Patri"

#581

*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.*

*Sharing the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Anthem

Meet Moshen Elder: a child of God ministering in Pakistan

Prayer for Illumination

On this Pentecost Sunday we recall that power that makes the church what you call it to be. It is not ours but yours. It is not a human work but the Work of Christ welling up from within each of us. You live in our hearts. May the Christ in me see the Christ in others so together we can rejoice before your throne. So open our hearts to your Word. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Epistle Reading – 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one says "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines. Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message Reading – Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine." Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 'In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'"

Leader: God's Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith – The First Catechism**

Leader: What did God do to bring them back to the covenant?

People: Although God judged the people when they sinned, God still loved them and remained faithful to them. God sent them prophets to speak God's word. God gave them priests to make sacrifices for their sins. God called kings to protect the needy and guarantee justice. At last God promised to send the Messiah.

Leader: Who was sent to be the Messiah?

People: God sent Jesus to be the Messiah. Messiah means "anointed one." The New Testament word for Messiah is Christ. Jesus is called the Christ, because God anointed him to be the Savior who would rescue us from sin and death.

Presentation of Gifts & Offerings

Call to the Offering

Offerings may be made online at <https://fpcdelhi.org/content/offering> or by USPS mail service.

Offertory

***Choral Response**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

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*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**

We respond to your generosity by being generous ourselves. Use these gifts to bless others here and throughout the world. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

... "forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors"

***Closing Hymn**

"Be Thou My Vision"

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***Charge to the Congregation**

***Benediction**

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: *"I do not believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe rule is to give more than we can spare."* —C.S. Lewis

Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim

Billy Meredith, Music Director

Deacon Kathy Martin, Liturgist

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First Presbyterian Church of Delhi, New York May 28, 2023

Today, Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the Holy Spirit's establishment of the church — the body of Christ that still embraces and empowers all. Welcome!

(Prayer) Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, today and always, Lord God. Energize and equip us to live out your love in the world.

Your **tithes and offerings** may be made online via PayPal, click the donate button at <https://fpcdelhi.org/offering>, or by regular USPS mail (4 Clinton Street, Delhi, NY 13753).

The fourth and final **Healthy Congregations workshop** will be held next Wednesday, June 7 at 6:00pm in the chapel. The workshops are being led by Mark Montford and Doug Horne of the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry

On Sunday, July 30 from 1pm to 3pm we will be having a **Summer Train Ride**, departing from 136 East Main St. in Milford. Some food, snacks and water will be available for purchase, or you can bring your own lunch. Some musical entertainment will be provided by Darcy Gibson and family.

The **TRUSTEES** responsible for counting today are Harry Bell and Art Maxwell. The Trustees responsible for counting on June 4 are Joe Cantwell and Kevin Lee.

Today is a BOUNTIFUL GIVING SUNDAY. The Delhi Food Pantry is accepting **non-perishable food items**. You can also donate via <https://fpcdelhi.org/content/offering> or give cash or check donations designated for the food bank. Please make checks out to First Presbyterian Church. Checks may also be mailed via regular mail to the church at 4 Clinton Street, Delhi NY 13753.

Devotional booklets (Upper Room and Daily Bread) are available outside the office and in the new narthex. Please take one for your daily devotions!

THOUGHTS ON GIVING *"To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good."* 1 Corinthians 12:7. To receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit you must open your heart and invite Him in! Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts, words and actions every day! Be grateful for all the gifts God has given you! Regardless of our individual circumstances, God has given all of us many blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God! By generously sharing everything we have and everything we are, we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered" and our lives truly reflect God's light, love and mercy.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That through gratitude and generosity, we learn to open our heart and invite the Holy Spirit into our life!

The **Per Capita** amount for 2023 has been set at \$43.95 per member.

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 5-21-2023</i>	35 - 29 in sanctuary + Approx. 6 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,653.00*
General amount given week of 5-21-2023	\$1,144.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$34,713.00
General amount given YTD as of 5-21-2023	\$37,998.50
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$423.62
Fuel Fund given week of 5-21-2023	\$120.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$8,896.02
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 5-21-2023	\$645.00
Kirk Receipts 5-14-23 to 5-20-23	\$1,849.11
Mission giving week of 5-21-2023	\$40.00
Mission giving YTD as of 5-21-2023	\$1,285.50
Apportionment Needed 2023	\$7,163.85
Apportionment received YTD as of 5-21-2023	\$1,596.40

*General amount needed each week is total expenses minus budgeted savings transfers and fuel expenses.

SUNDAY May 28	<i>Bountiful Giving Sunday</i> 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship
MONDAY May 29	<i>Office Closed for Memorial Day</i> 9:00 am Kirk Work Day
TUESDAY May 30	
WEDNESDAY May 31	9:00 am Little Inspirations Graduation 10:30 am Gentle Yoga 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY June 1	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY June 2	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Store Open 10:30 am Adult Ballet Class (Chapel)
SATURDAY June 3	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Store Open 10:15 am Ashtanga Yoga (Chapel) 11:45 am Yin Yoga (Chapel)
SUNDAY June 4	9:45 am Deacons Meeting 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship with Communion