



The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

August 13, 2023

9:30 a.m.

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

If someone has something against you... Matthew 5:23

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

*Call to Worship (*Psalm 105:1-4*)

Leader: Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done.

People: Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.

Leader: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Unison: Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.

*Hymn

"As the Deer" (Sing Twice)

#626

Prayer of Confession

Mighty God, my Creator, my Redeemer and my Friend, I confess that I love being forgiven, but I am not so sure about forgiving others. If I have hurt another I know as your person, I should seek their forgiveness. Apologizing to them is just a part of the process. But I know people who have something against me, but I did not do it. Really.

But you know that. The truth is that I have offended you but you came to me and sought reconciliation. And now it is my turn to love another that way. I don't want to. It seems unfair.

You are right, of course. When I remember someone has something against me, it bothers me. And it will bother me until I do what I can to put things right. So help me climb over my objections and do your will. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake their ways and the unrighteous their thoughts. Let them turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will freely pardon. (*Isaiah 55:6-7*)

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

*Hymn

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

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Interlude

Minute for Mission

Prayer for Illumination

What you have to say is so sensible, but your words can be at cross purposes with our sense of what is right. So we need your presence to be able to see your truth. We pray for light. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 105:1-7

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always. Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced, you his servants, the descendants of Abraham, his chosen ones, the children of Jacob. He is the Lord our God; his judgments are in all the earth.

New Testament Reading – Romans 10:5-15

Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: "The person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the deep?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame." For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message Reading – Matthew 5:23-24

"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

Leader: God's Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Toolbox for Living #4: "Be Reconciled"

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*Affirmation of Faith – The First Catechism

Leader: What is the church?

People: We are the church: the people who believe the good news about Jesus, who are baptized, and who share in the Lord's Supper. Through these means of grace, the Spirit renews us so that we may serve God in love.

Leader: What comfort does the good news give you?

People: That I belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ, who died and rose again for my sake, so that nothing will ever separate me from God's love.

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"* **#606**

*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

The Earth is the Lord's, and all therein. All we have we have in trust from our creator. So return some of what is already yours in hope that you will bless the gift and build people up. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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

***Closing Hymn** *"The Church's One Foundation"* **#321**

*Charge to the Congregation

*Benediction

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: *"Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies."*
—Mother Teresa

Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim
Billy Meredith, Music Director
Elder Tammi Tully, Liturgist

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of Delhi, New York

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A joyous and blessed Sabbath to you, brothers and sisters in Christ! Welcome to worship.

(Prayer) "The Lord will give what is good. And our land will give its fruit" (Psalm 85:12). As gardens and fields bear produce, God, harvest goodness also in our lives.

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).

One **rosebud** on the Communion Table this morning is given by the Deacons in honor of the birth of **Dylan Anthony Rosa** - born on August 3, 2023 to Geoff & Liz Rosa and welcomed by proud grandparents David & Heather Rosa and great grandparents Helen Rosa and Robert Wilklow. Dylan will join his sister Celia at home.

Two **rosebuds** on the Communion Table this morning are given by the Deacons in honor of the birth of twins **Simon Burch Fritts** and **Matthew Paul Fritts** - born on May 24, 2023 to Brett & Michelle Fritts and welcomed by proud grandparents Paul & Mary Schmitt and aunts Lisa and Emily Schmitt. Simon and Matthew will join their brothers Cameron and Liam at home.

The next session of Pastor Jamie's "**Toolbox for Living**" will take place this Wednesday, August 16 at 6pm in the Chapel. Come and learn how to use God's gifts for yourself. Bring a friend. There is no charge, though there will be a freewill offering at the end. The proceeds will go to the Church General Fund.

The **TRUSTEES** responsible for counting today are Art Maxwell and Tom Little. The Trustees responsible for counting on August 20 are Kevin Lee and Ed Goff.

The last Sunday of every month 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 *"He said, 'Come.' Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus." Matthew 14:29.* When you hear Jesus calling, do you responded immediately and trust that he knows what he's doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say "yes" to Jesus, we feel the power of his presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life he has intended for you.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we respond obediently to God's call and have the confidence to walk on water.

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

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 8-6-2023</i>	31 - 30 in sanctuary + Approx. 1 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,653.00*
General amount given week of 8-6-2023	\$2,152.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$52,896.00
General amount given YTD as of 8-6-2023	\$54,225.50
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$423.62
Fuel Fund given week of 8-6-2023	\$40.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$13,555.84
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 8-6-2023	\$1,795.00
Kirk Receipts 7-30-23 to 8-5-23	\$1,359.71
Mission giving week of 8-6-2023	\$0.00
Mission giving YTD as of 8-6-2023	\$1,625.50
Apportionment Needed 2023	\$7,163.85
Apportionment received YTD as of 8-6-2023	\$1,696.40

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

SUNDAY August 13	9:30 am Worship
MONDAY August 14	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
TUESDAY August 15	
WEDNESDAY August 16	10:30 am Gentle Yoga (Chapel) 6:00 pm Toolbox for Living 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting
THURSDAY August 17	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY August 18	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Store Open 10:30 am Adult Ballet Class (Chapel)
SATURDAY August 19	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Store Open 10:15 am Ashtanga Yoga (Chapel) 11:45 am Yin Yoga (Chapel)
SUNDAY August 20	9:30 am Worship