



The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

October 1, 2023

10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion & Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

“While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

“You Are My All in All”

*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

“Jesus Loves Me!”

#188

Prayer of Confession

John taught us that those who know love know you, oh God. Why? Because you are love. We delight in those moments that whisper about love: yours for us, ours for each other and the healing love that unites what is divided within ourselves. We confess that we offend against love. And we know we need your help. At times we don't even realize that we are doing it. We pray for the loan of your eyes so we can see truly and live a life that reflects your son, our Lord. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (*Romans 5:8*)

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

“Amazing Grace with Pachelbel's Canon”

arr. by Schafferman

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, by the power of your Spirit, take my words as I speak them and as they are heard and make them the message you want each of us to hear today. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 108:10-13

One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty—and I will meditate on your wonderful works. They tell of the power of your awesome works—and I will proclaim your great deeds. They celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness. The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

Gospel Reading – Matthew 20:1-16

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard. About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. He told them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, ‘Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?’ ‘Because no one has hired us,’ they answered. He said to them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.’ The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. ‘These who were hired last worked only one hour,’ they said, ‘and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.’”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message Reading – Romans 5:6-8

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Leader: God’s Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“What Love”

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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

Leader: What do we do when we pray?

People: When we pray, we adore God, we confess our sins, we give God thanks, and we pray for the needs of others and ourselves.

Leader: How did Jesus teach his followers to pray?

People: He taught them the words of the Lord's Prayer.

Eucharist

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**

Once again we consider your amazing generosity. We celebrate your promise that there is enough. We give so the world might become a little more like you intended and a little less than we make it. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Communion Hymn *"I Danced in the Morning" verses 1 & 3* **#157**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

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

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Communion will be served in your pews by ushers, or you may use the individual elements that were provided on your way in this morning.

Prayer after Communion

***Closing Hymn** *"I Danced in the Morning" verses 4 & 5* **#157**

***Charge to the Congregation**

***Benediction**

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: *"There is no one who is insignificant in the purpose of God."* —Alistair Begg

Leading us in worship this morning:
Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim
Billy Meredith, Music Director
Resting Elder Carolyn Massey, Liturgist

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Welcome! God says: “Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth” (Psalm 78:1). Let us listen for God’s voice as we worship.

(Prayer) Living water, please quench our souls today with your truth, wisdom, comfort and love. Amen.

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).

Last weekend we raised **\$2,000 for relief in Maui** to be sent to the Presbyterian Disaster Relief Fund. These funds came from the Kirk sales as well as donations in the offering on Sunday.

Worship on Sunday, October 29 will be a combined service at United Ministry.

The **TRUSTEES** responsible for counting today are Ed Goff and Joe Cantwell. The Trustees responsible for counting on October 8 are Art Maxwell and Tom Little.

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 *“Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves...”* *Philippians 2:3.* Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make you angry.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts!

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

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| <i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 9-24-2023</i> | 57 - 56 in sanctuary + approx. 1 virtual |
| General amount needed each week | \$1,653.00* |
| General amount given week of 9-24-2023 | \$1,554.00 |
| General amount needed year-to-date | \$64,467.00 |
| General amount given YTD as of 9-24-2023 | \$64,408.50 |
| Fuel Fund needed each week | \$423.62 |
| Fuel Fund given week of 9-24-2023 | \$110.00 |
| Fuel Fund needed year-to-date | \$16,521.18 |
| Fuel Fund given YTD as of 9-24-2023 | \$2,115.00 |
| Kirk Receipts 9-17-23 to 9-23-23 | \$1,724.59 |
| Mission giving week of 9-24-2023 | \$15.00 |
| Mission giving YTD as of 9-24-2023 | \$1,800.50 |
| Apportionment Needed 2023 | \$7,163.85 |
| Apportionment received YTD as of 9-24-2023 | \$1,696.40 |

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

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| SUNDAY October 1 | 9:30 am Deacons Meeting 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship with Communion |
| MONDAY October 2 | 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day 5:30 pm Session Meeting |
| TUESDAY October 3 | 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations |
| WEDNESDAY October 4 | 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 10:30 am Gentle Yoga (Chapel) 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal |
| THURSDAY October 5 | 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day |
| FRIDAY October 6 | 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Store Open 10:30 am Adult Ballet Class (Chapel) |
| SATURDAY October 7 | 9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Store Open 10:15 am – 1:00 pm Yoga (Chapel) |
| SUNDAY October 8 | 9:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship |