



The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

January 21, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Third Sunday After Epiphany

"Man shall not live on bread alone." Luke 4:4

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

"In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful"

*Call to Worship – Psalm 62:2-5

Leader: Have mercy on me, Lord, for I am faint; heal me, Lord, for my bones are in agony.

People: **My soul is in deep anguish. How long, Lord, how long?**

Leader: Turn, Lord, and deliver me; save me because of your unfailing love.

Unison: **Among the dead no one proclaims your name. Who praises you from the grave?**

*Hymn

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

#32

Prayer of Confession

Lord above me and Lord beside me, I forget that I am never alone. In my confusion, I forget that you are my guide. In my triumph, I forget you give me the power to succeed; in my anxiety I forget you have said 365 times in the Bible, "Don't be afraid." When I get this "trust in you" thing right, life is so much simpler. When I remember that all those situations that seem so new to me are old to you. You have been God for a long time and you have seen it all. We just celebrated the season of Emmanuel. By your Spirit help us to see more deeply. As we understand even a small part of your heart, we are lifted up and changed. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
(Romans 6:23)

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

"There's a Spirit of Love in This Place"

by Miller

Moment for Mission – Bethel Grace Ministries founded by Sirivuth Ann

Prayer for Illumination

We come to you, O Lord our Father, that we may hear your Word proclaimed this day. Open our minds and hearts to be changed. Free us from the unclean spirits of worry, fear, destruction, and pride. Teach us, Lord, that we may follow you more faithfully. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time: "Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you." Jonah obeyed the word of the Lord and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. Jonah began by going a day's journey into the city, proclaiming, "Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown." The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth.

When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message Reading – Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "One does not live by bread alone."' Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, 'To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.' Jesus answered him, 'It is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' Jesus answered him, 'It is said, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

Leader: God's Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Our Companion in Life"

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith – The Scot's Confession of 1560 – John Knox**

From the Book of Confessions, PCUSA Chapter 3 - Original Sin

By this transgression, generally known as original sin, the image of God was utterly defaced in man, and he and his children became by nature hostile to God, slaves to Satan, and servants to sin. And thus everlasting death has had, and shall have, power and dominion over all who have not been, are not, or shall not be reborn from above. This rebirth is wrought by the power of the Holy Ghost creating in the hearts of God's chosen ones an assured faith in the promise of God revealed to us in his Word; by this faith we grasp Christ Jesus with the graces and blessings promised in him.

Presentation of Gifts & Offerings

Call to the Offering

Offerings may be made online at <https://fpcdelhi.org/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

We thank you for your lavish love and ask that these gift might do your work, rightly blessing others and building them up. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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

***Closing Hymn** *"Thy Word is a Lamp Unto Our Feet"* (sing 2x) **#458**

*Charge to the Congregation

*Benediction

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: *"God's work done in God's way will never lack God's supplies."*

—Hudson Taylor

Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim
Billy Meredith, Music Director
Elder Linda Malcolm, Liturgist

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A warm welcome to all on this winter morning! May you know the fire of God's love as we worship in the name of Jesus, who showed us how to love.

(Prayer) Open the eyes and ears of our hearts, creative Spirit, to listen for your word of truth. 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).

Our **mission focus for January** is the Red Box Collection for Helios Care.



A CALL has been issued by the Session for the Annual Meeting of the Congregation, according to the terms of the church bylaws, to be held virtually and in person immediately following worship on Sunday, **January 28, 2024**. The purpose of the meeting will be to review annual reports, receive the budget, and address any other business that may come properly before the Congregation. The 2023 Annual Reports are available for review. The meeting will take place on the same livestream as the worship service on Jan 28, so that is the only link you need. Email office@fpcdelhi.org or check our online calendar for the worship link.

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.

The **TRUSTEES** responsible for counting today are Kathy Beveridge and Alex Cantwell. The Trustees responsible for counting on January 28 are Ed Goff and Tom Little.

Annual Reports, the January-February Courier and 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 *"Follow me and I will make you fishers of men."* - Mark 1:17. Jesus' call to "follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we may hear Jesus' personal invitation to "follow him" and respond by generously sharing all our gifts.

The **Per Capita** amount for 2024 has been set at \$45.90 per member.

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 1-14-2024</i>	43 - 33 in sanctuary + approx. 10 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,759.08*
General amount given week of 1-14-2024	\$1,603.60
General amount needed year-to-date	\$3,518.16
General amount given YTD as of 1-14-2024	\$4,630.60
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$336.54
Fuel Fund given week of 1-14-2024	\$100.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$673.08
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 1-14-2024	\$100.00
Kirk Receipts 1-7-24 to 1-13-24	\$1,065.68
Mission giving week of 1-14-2024	\$45.00
Mission giving YTD as of 1-14-2024	\$75.00
Apportionment Needed 2024	\$6,930.90
Apportionment received YTD as of 1-14-2024	\$283.60

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

SUNDAY January 21	9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship 11:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
MONDAY January 22	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day 3:00 pm Girl Scouts
TUESDAY January 23	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 3:00 pm Girl Scouts
WEDNESDAY January 24	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 10:30 am Gentle Yoga (Chapel) 4:00 pm Kirk Meeting
THURSDAY January 25	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY January 26	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open 10:30 am Adult Ballet Class (Chapel)
SATURDAY January 27	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open 9:30 am Yoga
SUNDAY January 28	<i>Bountiful Giving Sunday</i> 9:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship 11:30 am Annual Meeting of the Congregation