



**The First Presbyterian Church
Delhi, New York**

March 17, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent & Girl Scout Recognition

"God is faithful." 1 Corinthians 10:13

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

***Call to Worship (Psalm 51:1-3)**

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

People: **Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.**

Unison: **For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.**

***Hymn**

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

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Prayer of Confession

Lord, you have told me that life works best when I do it your way. But I am stubborn and curious and sometimes I am contrary. So I do it my way. It seems to work for a while, but then I wake up. I do not like what I see. I have hurt people I love. I have cared for myself when I should have cared for another. I have not done what I could. Well, I just confess those moments in which I was an untrustworthy companion in life. Forgive me and bring me to new life. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more. (*Jeremiah 31:33*)

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

Interlude

Recognition of Girl Scouts

Prayer for Illumination

You know what we can stand up under. You do challenge us to strengthen us, but never to crush us. Help us to see how it is that you are faithful, as we grow in strength and resourcefulness. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Hebrew Scriptures – Jeremiah 31:31-34

“The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord. “This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the Lord,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the Lord. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

Gospel Reading – John 12:20-26

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. “Sir,” they said, “we would like to see Jesus.” Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. Jesus replied, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message Reading – 1 Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.

Leader: God’s Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“You Can Do It”

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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”

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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

You are the source of every good and useful gift. Use these tithes and offerings for your glory. 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 My Feet”

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***Charge to the Congregation**

***Benediction**

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: *"Blessed are the cracked, for they shall let in the light."* —Groucho Marx

Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim
Billy Meredith, Music Director
Barb Thompson, Liturgist

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Dear ones, welcome to worship as we gather in Jesus' name as one family in God's embrace. Amen.

(Prayer) "Create in [us] a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within [us]." (Psalm 51:10).

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 March** is One Great Hour of Sharing.

After church today the Fellowship Committee will be hosting a **Potato Cook Off!** Bring your taste buds and try all the potato dishes and pick your favorite! You don't have to enter in order to taste, so come one and all to share in some yummy potato dishes and fellowship!

This Thursday, March 21, is the deadline for Lily Orders. Please get them in this week!

There will be a **combined Maundy Thursday service** at Andes Presbyterian Church on March 28 at 7:00pm

The Kirk will be closed on Good Friday, March 29, 2024.

The discussion meeting that was originally scheduled for April 9 has been moved to April 25 at 7:00pm. This meeting will be for the purposes of discussing whether changes should be made to the bylaws in order to not overwork or overburden our officers while many leaders are serving on the PNC.

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 Ed Goff and Kathy Beveridge. The Trustees responsible for counting on March 24 are Tom Little and Cullen LaFever.

The **March-April 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 *"I will be their God and they shall be my people."* - *Jeremiah 31:33* What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don't know, just as God cares for each of us.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That, as God's chosen people, we may accept and follow God's plan to generously share our time, talent and treasure with others.

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

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 3-10-2024</i>	30 - 26 in sanctuary + approx. 4 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,759.08*
General amount given week of 3-10-2024	\$2,595.30
General amount needed year-to-date	\$17,590.80
General amount given YTD as of 3-10-2024	\$18,339.90
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$336.54
Fuel Fund given week of 3-10-2024	\$0.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$3,365.40
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 3-10-2024	\$690.00
Kirk Receipts 3-3-24 to 3-9-24	\$1,330.02
Mission giving week of 3-10-2024	\$0.00
Mission giving YTD as of 3-10-2024	\$511.00
Apportionment Needed 2024	\$6,930.90
Apportionment received YTD as of 3-10-2024	\$919.20

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



HOLY WEEK

3/28 - Maundy Thursday 7:00pm - Combined Service at Andes Presbyterian Church

3/29 - Good Friday 12:00 pm - March to the Cross, starts at United Ministry

3/31 - Sunrise Service 6:30am - Old Flats Cemetery

3/31 - Easter Worship 10:30am - Virtual & Sanctuary

SUNDAY March 17	9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship 11:30 am Potato Cook-Off
MONDAY March 18	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day
TUESDAY March 19	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 4:00 pm PNC Meeting
WEDNESDAY March 20	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 10:30 am Gentle Yoga (Chapel) 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm MWS Meeting 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting
THURSDAY March 21	<i>Deadline for Lily Orders</i> 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day 9:30 am Piano Tuning
FRIDAY March 22	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open 10:30 am Adult Ballet Class
SATURDAY March 23	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open 9:30 am Yoga
SUNDAY March 24	9:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship