



The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

May 12, 2024

10:30 a.m.

Seventh Sunday of Eastertide

"In this world, we are like Jesus." 1 John 4:17b

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

*Call to Worship (*Psalm 1*)

Leader: Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked, or stand in the way that sinners take, or sit in the company of mockers,

People: but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night.

Leader: That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither—whatever they do prospers.

People: Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

Leader: Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

Unison: For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.

*Hymn

"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

#833

Prayer of Confession

Lord our God, maker of Heaven and Earth, we trust you. But we are also afraid of being wrong, or failing at things. Sometimes things we once did come back to bother us. We want to please others but also follow you. That can be a problem. You know well the things which stand between us and doing your will. At times these same things even interfere with knowing you are with us. So we confess that though you say we need not be anxious about how you judge us, we are. Does any anxiety mean we are not following you? Are you saying you expect us to become anxious, but you give us tools? Do you expect us to use the tools to work with our thoughts and feelings so we do your will in our lives? So we ask for the help of your Spirit to see what you ask. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: For *[the Father]* has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. (*Colossians 1:13-14*)

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

"Let God Love You"

by Turner

Moment for Mission – Mohsin Elder

Prayer for Illumination

We know that the things that are from you are Spiritually discerned. So we ask for your Spirit to fill our hearts so we might see. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Acts of the Apostles – Acts 1:15-17, 20b-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) and said, "Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus. He was one of our number and shared in our ministry."

"As it written in the Psalms: 'May another take his place of leadership.' Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us, beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection." So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. Then they prayed, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs." Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn**

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

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Message Reading – 1 John 4:17-18

This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

Leader: God's Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"The Better Life, We Are Like Jesus"

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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*Prayer of Dedication

Dear Love beyond Love, it is our joy to be a part of this family and to give of our lives and our things. May these gifts become our power to uplift and to change lives in this community and in 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

"For All the Saints"

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*Charge to the Congregation

*Benediction

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: *"Faith does not eliminate questions. But faith knows where to take them."*

— Elisabeth Elliot

Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim

Billy Meredith, Music Director

Trustee Tom Little, Liturgist

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New Sermon Series!

*Resurrection Living: How to take a Good Life
and make it the Better Life that God wants for you.*

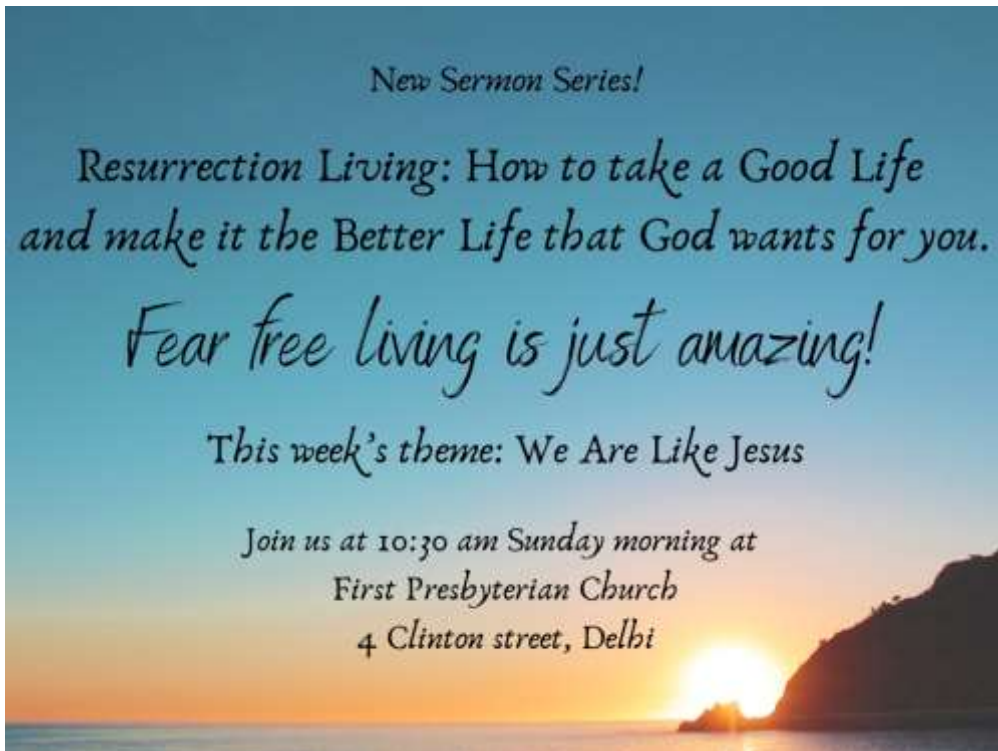
Fear free living is just amazing!

This week's theme: We Are Like Jesus

Join us at 10:30 am Sunday morning at

First Presbyterian Church

4 Clinton street, Delhi





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Happy Mother's Day to all who share a caring relationship with a mom or mom-figure. Welcome to worship.

(Prayer) People hold many feelings on Mother's Day. We pray for those celebrating, mourning, yearning or experiencing mixed emotions. Wrap all in your care, God of love.

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 May** is our Pakistan mission. We are providing Pastor Mohsin Elder with monthly support, which enables him to travel and bring food and the word of Christ to people in Pakistan. If you would like to give specifically toward this outreach, write "Pakistan" on the memo line of your check or use the Mission Giving envelopes provided in the pews.

We are now streaming our services on our YouTube channel. A link to the YouTube livestream will be sent out with the bulletin each week by email.

The last Sunday of every month is a BOUNTIFUL GIVING SUNDAY. The Delhi Food Pantry accepts **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.

The **TRUSTEES** responsible for counting today are Kathy Beveridge and Tom Little. The Trustees responsible for counting on May 19 are Alex Cantwell and Tom Leo.

The May-June Courier and our **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 *"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God."* – 1 John 4:15. How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we have the courage to defend our faith and share our witness joyfully with others.

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

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 5-5-2024</i>	57 - 51 in sanctuary + approx. 6 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,759.08*
General amount given week of 5-5-2024	\$2,850.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$31,663.44
General amount given YTD as of 5-5-2024	\$34,443.35
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$336.54
Fuel Fund given week of 5-5-2024	\$100.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$6,057.72
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 5-5-2024	\$1,111.00
Kirk Receipts 4-28-24 to 5-4-24	\$1,608.71
Mission giving week of 5-5-2024	\$105.00
Mission giving YTD as of 5-5-2024	\$681.00
Apportionment Needed 2024	\$6,930.90
Apportionment received YTD as of 5-5-2024	\$1,280.10

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

SUNDAY May 12	<i>Mother's Day</i> 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship
MONDAY May 13	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day
TUESDAY May 14	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
WEDNESDAY May 15	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 10:30 am Gentle Yoga (Chapel) 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 5:30 pm Morgan Stanley Investments Meeting 6:30 pm Session Meeting 6:30 pm Trustees Meeting
THURSDAY May 16	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY May 17	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 May 18	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open 9:30 am Yoga
SUNDAY May 19	9:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship