



The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

September 1, 2024

9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion & Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost

"Love is not irritable or resentful." 1 Corinthians 13:5c

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

***Call to Worship (Psalm 15)**

Leader: O Lord, who shall sojourn in thy tent? Who shall dwell on thy holy hill?

People: He who walks blamelessly, and does what is right, and speaks truth from his heart;

Leader: who does not slander with his tongue, and does no evil to his friend, nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor;

People: in whose eyes a reprobate is despised, but who honors those who fear the Lord; who swears to his own hurt and does not change;

Unison: who does not put out his money at interest, and does not take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things shall never be moved.

***Hymn**

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

#452

Prayer of Confession

Dear Lord, we certainly have high expectations of others when it comes to love, but we kind of excuse our own behavior. But really, if you were as quick to criticize as we are sometimes, we would be buried. So, give us eyes that show us how we impact others. When we are encouraging or healing or simply enjoying a friendship, let us savor what is right and wonderful. And when we are not so great, help us to be quick to apologize. Show us what we need to do to grow up. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace." (Luke 7:50)

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

Prayer for Illumination

We just cannot see what you want us to see without relying on your Spirit within us. So open our ears to the voice within that speaks truth and the power without that turns on the lights for us. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Deuteronomy 4:1-2

And now, O Israel, give heed to the statutes and the ordinances which I teach you, and do them; that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land which the Lord, the God of your fathers, gives you. You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it; that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you.

Epistle Reading – James 1:17-27

Every good endowment and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures. Know this, my beloved brethren. Let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger, for the anger of man does not work the righteousness of God. Therefore put away all filthiness and rank growth of wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who observes his natural face in a mirror; for he observes himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But he who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer that forgets but a doer that acts, he shall be blessed in his doing. If anyone thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this man's religion is vain. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message Reading – 1 Corinthians 13:5

[Love] is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful;

Leader: God's Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Love Is Not..."

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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

*Prayer of Dedication

How is it that you know what gift to give us? How is it that we know what gift to give in return? Well, our gift always includes gratitude. So here we are, your grateful givers. Bless our money, our time and our hearts. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

***Apostle's Creed**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

#525

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

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

Words of Institution

Breaking of the Bread

Distribution

Prayer After Communion

***Closing Hymn**

"There is a Place of Quiet Rest"

#824

***Charge to the Congregation**

***Benediction**

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: *"Through hard work, perseverance and a faith in God, you can live your dreams."*
—Ben Carson

Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim

Billy Meredith, Music Director

Trustee Kevin Lee, Liturgist

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Welcome to worship this Labor Day weekend. May God be in our work and our leisure, our fellowship and our praise.

(Prayer) Lord ... whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe: be there at our labors, and give us, we pray, your strength in our hearts.

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).

We return to our fall schedule next Sunday, September 8. Worship will begin at 10:30 am.

Bell Choir rehearsals will resume starting Wednesday, Sept 4 at 5pm. **Choir rehearsals** will resume Sunday, Sept 8 at 9:45am.

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 Art Maxwell. The Trustees responsible for counting on September 8 are Kevin Lee and Tom Leo.

The Sept-Oct 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 *“Be doers of the word and not hearers only...” James 1:22.* It’s easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your words and actions reflect God’s word? Do you share your time in prayer with God daily? Do you use your talent to help those in need without expecting anything in return? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we may not only hear God’s word, but also learn to live it every day of our lives.

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

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 8-25-2024</i>	28 - 24 in sanctuary + approx. 4 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,759.08*
General amount given week of 8-25-2024	\$1,571.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$59,808.72
General amount given YTD as of 8-25-2024	\$62,374.05
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$336.54
Fuel Fund given week of 8-25-2024	\$110.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$11,442.36
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 8-25-2024	\$2,227.00
Kirk Receipts 8-18-24 to 8-24-24	\$2,267.22
Mission giving week of 8-25-2024	\$0.00
Mission giving YTD as of 8-25-2024	\$811.00
Apportionment Needed 2024	\$6,930.90
Apportionment received YTD as of 8-25-2024	\$1,462.80

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

SUNDAY September 1	9:30 am Worship with Communion
MONDAY September 2	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
TUESDAY September 3	4:00 pm PNC Meeting
WEDNESDAY September 4	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 10:30 am Gentle Yoga 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY September 5	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY September 6	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 September 7	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open 10:00 am Yoga
SUNDAY September 8	9:30 am Deacons Meeting 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Bell Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship