



The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

January 12, 2025

10:30 a.m.

First Sunday After Epiphany

*"God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit."
Romans 5:5b*

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

*Call to Worship (*Psalm 29:1-4*)

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

Leader: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

Unison: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is majestic.

*Hymn

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

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Prayer of Confession

Dear Lord, You gave us life. You give us adventure. You walk with us in every stage of life. And You give us the power to act in your name through acts of love. By the Holy Spirit that dwells in our hearts, we have the freedom to give up old habits and adopt new ways. Though all this is true, we do not remember to remember. Help us to be faithful in prayer, learn to apply Your Word to our lives and see new opportunities. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: 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. (*Romans 5:6-8*)

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Choral Response

"Gloria Patri"

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*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

Moment for Mission – Presbyterian Disaster Relief (*Susie Little*)

Prayer for Illumination

By Your Spirit, You have made us new. You have given us new power. Because of Your love in our hearts we can choose new ways. Show each of us some moment in which we touched another with Your love. Then as the realization of what it means to serve You fills our hearts, bless these gifts. In Christ’s Name, Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 43:1-7

But now, this is what the Lord says—he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead. Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west. I will say to the north, ‘Give them up!’ and to the south, ‘Do not hold them back.’ Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn

“Somebody’s Knocking at Your Door”

#728

Message Reading – Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

Leader: God’s Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“New Abilities”

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”

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*Prayer of Dedication

Dear Lord, a lifetime is too short for us to thank You for Your gifts. So accept this gift of joy returning to You but a small part of what You have given us. May our individual lives and our life together reflect Your love. In Christ’s Name, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

... “forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors”

***Closing Hymn**

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

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***Charge to the Congregation**

***Benediction**

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: *"We must be willing to let go of the life we have planned, so as to have the life that is waiting for us."* —Joseph Campbell

Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim

Billy Meredith, Music Director

Tammi Tully, Liturgist

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Welcome to worship! May you experience the love of Jesus in the midst of this congregation.

(Prayer) In baptism you called Jesus — and you call us — “beloved.” May we grow in your love, God, and share it with others.

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).

Tomorrow - Monday, Jan 13 is the deadline for Annual Report submissions. Please get your reports to Darcy promptly!

Join us Sunday the 19th after worship for a soup luncheon and fun led by Tom and Susie! Come with your table service, a pot of soup and an open mind!



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, **February 2, 2025**. 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 2024 Annual Reports will be available for review by Sunday, January 26.

The **Mission committee emphasis** for the month of January is the **Presbyterian Disaster Relief Fund**. We will collect now to have money on hand the next time a disaster occurs. If you would like to contribute toward this mission, just use the mission envelopes or write “Presbyterian Disaster Relief” on the memo line of your check. Thanks for your continued support.

The fourth 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 Kevin Lee and Ed Chytalo. The Trustees responsible for counting on January 19 are Joe Cantwell and Alex Cantwell.

The Jan-Feb 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: *“John answered them all, ‘I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.’” (Luke 3:16).* Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will. In other words, as baptized Christians there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we may fulfill our own Baptismal call by giving ourselves entirely to God and answer his call to holiness.

The **Per Capita** amount for 2025 has been set at \$49.29 per member.

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 1-5-2025</i>	41 - 34 in sanctuary + approx. 7 virtual
General amount needed each week	TBD
Additional 2024 giving	\$250.00
General amount given week of 1-5-2025	\$2,832.90
General amount needed year-to-date	TBD
General amount given YTD as of 1-5-2025	\$2,832.90
Fuel Fund needed each week	TBD
Fuel Fund given week of 1-5-2025	\$0.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	TBD
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 1-5-2025	\$0.00
Kirk Receipts 12-29-24 to 1-4-25	\$2,084.69
Mission giving week of 1-5-2025	\$7.00
Mission giving YTD as of 1-5-2025	\$7.00
Apportionment Needed 2025	TBD
Apportionment received YTD as of 1-5-2025	\$45.90

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

SUNDAY January 12	9:30 am Deacons Meeting 9:45 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship
MONDAY January 13	<i>Annual Report Deadline</i> 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day 3:00 pm Girl Scouts
TUESDAY January 14	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
WEDNESDAY January 15	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 10:30 am Yoga 5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm Trustees Meeting
THURSDAY January 16	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY January 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 January 18	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open 10:00 am Yoga
SUNDAY January 19	9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship 11:30 am Soup on a Cold Day Luncheon