

The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

February 2, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

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

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit "Surely the Presence of the Lord is in this Place"

*Call to Worship (Psalm 71:1-4)

Leader: In you, Lord, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

People: In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me; turn your ear to me and save me.

Leader: Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go; give the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

People: Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of those who are evil and cruel.

*Hymn

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"

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Prayer of Confession

Some gifts last a few minutes. Some a couple of days. Other gifts we don't really want. But the Gift of Eternal Life is, well, Eternal. You came to lift our vision above just stuff and happenstance. You came to show us how to live for things that matter. You came to free us to be a part of Your work in this life. You came to welcome us into Your house forever. So forgive us when we lose our focus. Refresh our minds and hearts so we can embrace Your purposes in life. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. (John 3:16-17)

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 "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. by Hakes

Prayer for Illumination

You have promised us that You would help us see what You mean. By the Holy Spirit You would repair our thinking until You put us back into our rightful minds. Be with us now. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the Lord came to me, saying, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." "Alas, Sovereign Lord," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am too young." But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the Lord. Then the Lord reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, "I have put my words in your mouth. See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant."

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

*Hymn

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

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Message Reading – Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Leader: God's Word for Today. People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Eternal Life, Gift of the Spirit"

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

How happily we come to You with gifts of joy, of witness to Your wonder and from the wealth You have entrusted to us. Bless us so we might be light 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 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!" #41

*Charge to the Congregation

*Benediction

Postlude

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Annual Congregational Meeting – All are invited to remain for the meeting.

Thought for the Day: "Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud." — Maya Angelou

Leading us in worship this morning:
Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim
Billy Meredith, Music Director
Deacon Mary Conklin, Liturgist

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First Presbyterian Church

of Delhi, New York February 2, 2025

Traditionally, the church on this day remembers the presentation of Jesus by his parents in the temple. We too present ourselves to God: our praise, petitions, sorrows and joys. Welcome.

(*Prayer*) Jesus, this Valentine's month and all year long, help us live in love so that, whatever else we do, we will not be "a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal."

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).



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 **today**, **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 are now available for review.

We have an **address update for Bea Mooney:** Greenwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Room 105, 5079 Scottsville Rd, Bowling Green, KY 42101.

The **Mission committee emphasis** for the month of February is the Church World Service Tools & Blankets mission. If you would like to contribute toward this mission, just use the mission envelopes or write "CWS" on the memo line of your check. Thanks for your continued support.

The fourth Sunday in 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 Cullen LaFever and Kevin Lee. The Trustees responsible for counting on February 9 are Alex Cantwell and Ed Chytalo.

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: "Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested." (Hebrews 2:18). When we join a support group, there is comfort is sharing our pain with people who have experienced the same thing; they understand what we are going through. The next time you experience suffering, talk to Jesus. He has experienced more suffering than most of us; he understands. Plus, Jesus knows us better than we know ourselves. Only he can fill the hole you feel in your heart.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we may understand that Jesus understands our pain and only he can fill the hole in our heart.

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

Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance	40 - 33 in sanctuary +
Sunday 1-26-2025	approx. 7 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,735.62
General amount given week of 1-26-2025	\$635.29
General amount needed year-to-date	\$6,942.48
General amount given YTD as of 1-26-2025	\$8,062.44
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$67.31
Fuel Fund given week of 1-26-2025	\$125.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$269.24
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 1-26-2025	\$190.00
Kirk Receipts 1-19-25 to 1-25-25	\$1,448.62
Mission giving week of 1-26-2025	\$0.00
Mission giving YTD as of 1-26-2025	\$17.00
Apportionment Needed 2025	\$6,062.67
Apportionment received YTD as of 1-26-2025	\$594.48

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

SUNDAY	9:45 am Choir
February 2	10:30 am Worship
	11:30 am Annual Congregational Meeting
MONDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
February 3	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
	5:30 pm Session Meeting
TUESDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
February 4	
WEDNESDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
February 5	10:30 am Yoga
	5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
February 6	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
February 7	9:00 am - 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open
	10:30 am Adult Ballet Class
SATURDAY	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open
February 8	10:00 am Yoga
SUNDAY	9:30 am Deacons Meeting
February 9	9:45 am Sunday School
	10:30 am Worship