



The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

February 23, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Seventh Sunday After Epiphany

"How are the dead raised?" 1 Corinthians 15:35

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

*Call to Worship (*Psalm 37:1-4*)

Leader: Do not fret because of those who are evil or be envious of those who do wrong;

People: for like the grass they will soon wither; like green plants they will soon die away.

Leader: Trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.

Unison: Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

*Hymn

"You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"

#43

Prayer of Confession

Dear Lord, we confess that when we think about eternal things, we get irritated at things we don't understand. It is like we think we should grasp how You could speak and all came into being. Help us be accepting of our limitations. Help us to use well what we do understand. Help us to trust in Your nature. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. (*Romans 8:1-2*)

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

Creator of all that is, we are so grateful for Your leading. As we worship You in the Beauty of Holiness, we are also in awe of Your genius. By Your Spirit make us attentive to Your Truth. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Gospel Reading – Luke 6:27-38

“But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you. “If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that. And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. “Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn**

“O Love That Witl Not Let Me Go”

#833

Message Reading – 1 Corinthians 15:35-38

But someone will ask, “How are the dead raised? With what kind of body will they come?” How foolish! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed, perhaps of wheat or of something else. But God gives it a body as he has determined, and to each kind of seed he gives its own body.

Leader: God’s Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Spiritual Bodies”

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**

You loved us, so we have life as You intended for us. And we are so grateful. Take our gifts and our joy and work Your good will in the lives of those around us. 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”

#326

***Charge to the Congregation**

***Benediction**

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: *“Preach the gospel to yourself every day.” —Jerry Bridge*

Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim

Billy Meredith, Music Director

George Thompson, Liturgist

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Friends, we welcome you to this time of worship, faith education and Christian fellowship. May the Word of God nourish you for your life and ministry in the days to come.

(Prayer) As days grow longer and we continue to celebrate your light this Epiphany season, dear Jesus, help us spread kindness and compassion in ever-widening circles as testimony to you.

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).

Slight update to Bea Mooney's current address – she has moved to room 202. The full address is: *Greenwood Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Room 202, 5079 Scottsville Rd, Bowling Green, KY 42101*

If anyone is interested in **learning how to run the livestream** for our Sunday services, please contact the church office. Darcy will be happy to schedule a time to demonstrate the system and give instructions and lessons to help you feel comfortable operating the technology. If you think you might be interested, you can always see how it works before you commit to learning or operating the software.

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.

Today 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 Tom Leo and Kathy Beveridge. The Trustees responsible for counting on March 2 are Alex Cantwell and Tom Little.

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: *"But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend without expecting anything back..." (Luke 6:35).* Easier said than done, right? But, if we are to imitate Christ, most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Praying for our enemies doesn't change them, it changes us. Mercy and compassion will keep us on the path to holiness.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we practice mercy and compassion more frequently and pray for those that annoy us.

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

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 2-16-2025</i>	38 - 25 in sanctuary + approx. 13 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,735.62
General amount given week of 2-16-2025	\$415.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$12,149.34
General amount given YTD as of 2-16-2025	\$12,150.44
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$67.31
Fuel Fund given week of 2-16-2025	\$0.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$471.17
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 2-16-2025	\$201.36
Kirk Receipts 2-9-25 to 2-15-25	\$1,410.81
Mission giving week of 2-16-2025	\$40.00
Mission giving YTD as of 2-16-2025	\$102.00
Apportionment Needed 2025	\$6,062.67
Apportionment received YTD as of 2-16-2025	\$594.48

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

SUNDAY February 23	<i>Bountiful Giving Sunday</i> 9:45 am Sunday School 10:30 am Worship
MONDAY February 24	<i>Newsletter Deadline</i> 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day 3:00 pm Girl Scouts
TUESDAY February 25	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
WEDNESDAY February 26	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 10:30 am Yoga
THURSDAY February 27	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY February 28	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 1	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open 10:00 am Yoga
SUNDAY March 2	9:45 am Choir 10:30 am Worship with Communion