

Put your linger here: see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." The 2037, 872

The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

April 27, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Second Sunday of Easter

"Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." John 20:25

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

"Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

*Call to Worship (Psalm 118:14-17)

Leader: The Lord is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation.

People: Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous: "The Lord's right hand has done mighty things!

Leader: The Lord's right hand is lifted high; the Lord's right hand has done mighty things!"

Unison: I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

*Hymn

"As the Deer"

#626

Prayer of Confession

Lord of Heaven and Earth, You tell me that I am Yours. You show me your presence and sometimes I even notice. You walk with me and sometimes that means everything. But much of my life is about my schedule, my concerns, my friends, my health and so many other "my's." Call me back so I might embrace You, see Your plans for people and love with your love. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

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

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

"The Lily of the Valley"

by Fry/Hays

Prayer for Illumination

As we prepare to contemplate Eternity, touch us with Your Spirit. Show us what it means to be a citizen of heaven as well as the earth. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Psalm 118:18-24

The Lord has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death. Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter. I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.

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

*Hymn

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

#267

Message Reading – John 20:24-29

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

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

Sermon

"I Love Thomas"

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Presentation of Gifts & Offerings

Call to the Offering

Offerings may be made online at <u>https://fpcdelhi.org/content/offering</u> or by USPS mail service.

Offertory

*Choral Response "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

#606

*Prayer of Dedication

In the River of Life Your love flows into us and though and around us and into the world. It is such a privilege to be a part of Your family. So take our gift and take us and make us light in the darkness. In Christ's name, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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

*Closing Hymn

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

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*Charge to the Congregation

*Benediction

Thought for the Day: "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." —Mother Teresa

Leading us in worship this morning: Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim Billy Meredith, Music Director Elder Joe Weaver, Liturgist

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After Christ's resurrection, the disciples demonstrate many responses: not only faith and joy but also doubt and confusion. Welcome to worship — no matter where you are on your faith journey.

(*Prayer*) We are grateful for the mix of doubt and faith the disciples exhibited; it puts us in good company. Jesus, bless us with increased belief, even when we cannot see you in person.

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).

The deadline for newsletter submissions is Monday, April 28. If you have anything for the May-June Courier, please get it to Darcy by tomorrow!

In the month of April our mission will be focused on **Church World Service Personal Care Kits**. Betty Bell is currently working on assembling these kits. The items we need to complete the kits are listed in the March-April Courier. These kits are given out to individuals and families all over the world when they have a need from disaster or poverty situations.

Today is a BOUNTIFUL GIVING SUNDAY. The Delhi Food Pantry accepts non-perishable food items. You can also donate via <u>https://fpcdelhi.org/content/offering</u> 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 Little and Kathy Beveridge. The Trustees responsible for counting on May 4 are Ed Goff and Kevin Lee.

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: *"Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."* (John 20:21) Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, he sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be compassionate and merciful; and not with just those who are our friends, but also with our "enemies." Think of someone in your life who you need to reconcile with. Call them right now or better yet, go visit them.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we show mercy to someone we need to reconcile with.

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

The attendance and financial information from Sunday, April 20, 2025 will appear in next week's Church Life, as Darcy has been away this week.

SUNDAY	Bountiful Giving Sunday
April 27	9:45 am Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am Worship
MONDAY	Newsletter Deadline
April 28	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
	3:00 pm Girl Scouts
TUESDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
April 29	4:45 pm PNC Meeting
WEDNESDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
April 30	10:30 am Yoga
	5:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
May 1	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
May 2	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
May 3	11:00 am Yoga
SUNDAY	9:45 am Choir Rehearsal
May 4	9:45 am Sunday School
	10:30 am Worship with Communion