



# The First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

August 3, 2025

9:30 a.m.

## Holy Communion & Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

“...set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.” *Colossians 3:1*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Church Life Notes**

**Introit**

**\*Call to Worship (Psalm 139)**

Leader: You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.

**People: You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.**

Leader: You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

**People: Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.**

Leader: You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.

**Unison: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.**

**\*Hymn**

*“Open the Eyes of My Heart”*

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**Prayer of Confession**

Dear Lord, our Creator and our Father, You have gifted us in so many ways. They all come from the same Spirit. We recognize the gifts as Yours even when they are different than the ones we have. So why is it difficult to live with one another? We confess that sometimes we speak when we should remain silent. Other times, we remain silent when we should speak. Why is something as simple as living as difficult as it is sometimes? As we stumble along on the bad days, teach us to stay close to You. As we hop along on good days, let us return thanks. Gift us with humility based on our life experience. 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”*

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**\*Sharing the Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**Interlude**

Billy Meredith

## 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 – Hosea 11:1-7

“When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son. But the more they were called, the more they went away from me. They sacrificed to the Baals and they burned incense to images. It was I who taught Ephraim to walk, taking them by the arms; but they did not realize it was I who healed them. I led them with cords of human kindness, with ties of love. To them I was like one who lifts a little child to the cheek, and I bent down to feed them. “Will they not return to Egypt and will not Assyria rule over them because they refuse to repent? A sword will flash in their cities; it will devour their false prophets and put an end to their plans. My people are determined to turn from me. Even though they call me God Most High, I will by no means exalt them.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Message Reading – Colossians 3:1-11

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

Leader: God's Word for Today.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

*“Marks of the Christian Life”*

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 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

## Holy Communion

**\*Invitation**

**\*Affirmation of Faith – 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.

**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**

*Those taking communion are asked to hold the bread until all are served, symbolizing our unity in the Spirit of Christ, then to drink individually the cup, symbolizing our personal commitment to Christ.*

**Prayer After Communion**

**\*Closing Hymn**

*"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"*

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**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

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**Thought for the Day:** *"God has a purpose behind every problem. He uses circumstances to develop our character. In fact, he depends more on circumstances to make us like Jesus than he depends on our reading the Bible."*— Rick Warren

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Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim

Billy Meredith, Music Director

Art Maxwell, Liturgist

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## First Presbyterian Church

of Delhi, New York

August 3, 2025

Good morning and welcome! God has invited us here; we are at home in his presence. Let us worship.

*(Prayer)* Like a kind parent, dear God, you take us in your arms, lift us to your cheek, teach us to walk, heal our injuries and bend down to feed us. Thank you for showering us with your love.

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).

If you would like to send **cards to Ken Soden**, they may be sent to 157 Sherwood Dr., Delhi, NY 13753. They ask that there would be no phone calls or in person visits at this time, please.

**Update on Arvid Whitmore from Bev Whitmore:** After a month of daily radiation, the cancer should be gone. God is so good! Our address is 3970 Red Mill Cove, Perry, OH 44081. We still miss you all!

**The Sunday, August 31 service will be a combined service at Cabin Hill at 9:30 if any folks from First Pres want to join us. We'll be having a dish-to-pass luncheon following the service.**

**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 Alex Cantwell and Kathy Beveridge. The Trustees responsible for counting on August 10 are Ed Chytalo 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:** *"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions."* (Luke 12:15) The Gospel message is contrary to modern culture that continually tries to convince us that our joy comes from the material things we possess. That the more we acquire, the happier we will be. Jesus shows us that our true joy comes from our "invisible" gifts like love, mercy, and forgiveness. True joy comes from "emptying" ourselves, giving of ourselves rather than always taking. We are called not to hoard but to share. True joy comes from living a grateful and generous lifestyle; become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered."

**STEWARDSHIP PRAYER:** That we may remember that the many possessions we strive to acquire are worthless in the eyes of the Lord.

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

<i>Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 7-27-2025</i>	30 - 25 in sanctuary + approx. 5 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,735.62
General amount given week of 7-27-2025	\$1,031.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$52,068.60
General amount given YTD as of 7-27-2025	\$53,409.65
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$67.31
Fuel Fund given week of 7-27-2025	\$0.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$2,019.30
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 7-27-2025	\$1,515.36
Kirk Receipts 7-20-25 to 7-26-25	\$2,319.73
Mission giving week of 7-27-2025	\$10.00
Mission giving YTD as of 7-27-2025	\$602.00
Apportionment Needed 2025	\$6,062.67
Apportionment received YTD as of 7-27-2025	\$1,239.51

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

<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>August 3</b>	<b>9:30 am Worship with Communion</b>
<b>MONDAY</b> <b>August 4</b>	<b>9:00 am Kirk Work Day</b> <b>5:30 pm Session Meeting</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>August 5</b>	<b>4:45 pm PNC Meeting</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>August 6</b>	<b>10:30 am Gentle Yoga</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>August 7</b>	<b>9:00 am Kirk Work Day</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>August 8</b>	<b>9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open</b> <b>10:30 am Adult Ballet Class</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> <b>August 9</b>	<b>9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open</b> <b>10:00 am Yoga</b>
<b>SUNDAY</b> <b>August 10</b>	<b>9:30 am Worship</b>