

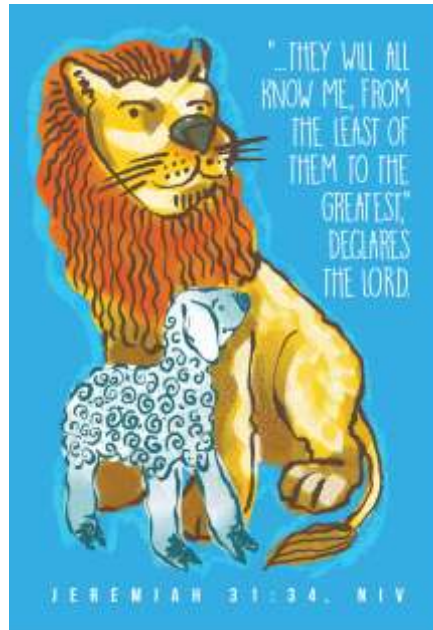
**First Presbyterian Church
Delhi, New York**

October 5, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion & Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

*"For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."
Jeremiah 31:34b*



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit – Bell Choir

"The Timeless Canon"

arr. by Eithun

***Call to Worship (Psalm 119:9-16)**

Leader: How can young people keep their way pure? By guarding it according to your word.

People: With my whole heart I seek you; do not let me stray from your commandments.

Leader: I treasure your word in my heart, so that I may not sin against you.

People: Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes.

Leader: With my lips I declare all the ordinances of your mouth.

People: I delight in the way of your decrees as much as in all riches.

Unison: I will meditate on your precepts, and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

***Hymn**

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

#286

Prayer of Confession

God of suffering and glory, in Jesus Christ You reveal the way of life through the path of obedience. Inscribe Your law in our hearts, that in life we may not stray from You, but may be Your people. Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Hear these words from Christ: "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So go forth in the power of the almighty, who forgives you and loves you. Amen.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Choral Response**

"Gloria Patri"

#581

***Sharing the Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Anthem – Bell Choir

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

arr. by Fast

Prayer for Illumination

Loving God, open our ears to hear Your word and draw us closer to You, that the whole world may be one with You as You are one with us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel Reading – John 12:20-33

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. “Sir,” they said, “we would like to see Jesus.” Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. Jesus replied, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me. Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.” The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him. Jesus said, “This voice was for your benefit, not mine. Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

Leader: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn** *“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”* **#216**

Message Reading – Jeremiah 31:31-34

“The days are coming,” declares the Lord, “when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord. “This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord. “I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the Lord,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,” declares the Lord. “For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.”

Leader: God’s Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *“I Will Be Their God, and They Shall Be My People”*
Bessie Tyrrell, C.R.E.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

Call to the Offering

Offertory

***Choral Response** *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* **#606**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Lord God, Your gifts to us are more than we could know to ask for, You have promised to forgive us, and remember our sin no more. Take our hearts and inscribe Your laws upon them, that in life we may not stray from You, but forever be Your people. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer

***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.

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn *“Let Us Break Bread Together”* **#525**

***Invitation**

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

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

#687

*Benediction

Postlude

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*You may stand

Thought for the Day: *"God, I'm gonna hold steady on You, an' You've gotta see me through."* —Harriet Tubman

Leading us in worship this morning:
Bessie Tyrrell, C.R.E., Worship Leader
Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim
Billy Meredith, Music Director
Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Liturgist



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Welcome to this sacred moment of communion. As we share the bread and cup, may we remember Christ's love and sacrifice.

(Prayer) Jesus, you gave your body and shed your blood so we might be made whole. As we come to your table, quiet our hearts and help us remember your sacrifice with gratitude and awe. Amen.

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 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 Tom Leo and Kathy Beveridge. The Trustees responsible for counting on October 12 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: *“For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.” (2 Timothy 1:7)* Many of us compartmentalize our faith; we bring it out only when we attend church or when we attend a church event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything - all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party or at work or out shopping, would your words and actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That our actions and words reflect our love for God every day.

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

Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 9-28-2025	42 - 40 in sanctuary + approx. 2 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,735.62
General amount given week of 9-28-2025	\$1,235.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$67,689.18
General amount given YTD as of 9-28-2025	\$66,303.65
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$67.31
Fuel Fund given week of 9-28-2025	\$150.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$2,625.09
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 9-28-2025	\$2,053.36
Kirk Receipts 9-21-25 to 9-27-25	\$2,089.05
Mission giving week of 9-28-2025	\$10.00
Mission giving YTD as of 9-28-2025	\$832.00
Apportionment Needed 2025	\$6,062.67
Apportionment received YTD as of 9-28-2025	\$1,414.51

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

SUNDAY October 5	9:30 am Sunday School 9:45 am Bell Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship with Communion
MONDAY October 6	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day 3:00 pm Girl Scouts 5:30 pm Session Meeting
TUESDAY October 7	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 4:45 pm PNC Meeting
WEDNESDAY October 8	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 10:30 am Gentle Yoga
THURSDAY October 9	8:00 am – 12:00 pm Little Inspirations 9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY October 10	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 October 11	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Shoppe Open 10:00 am Yoga
SUNDAY October 12	9:30 am Sunday School 9:30 am Deacons Meeting 9:45 am Choir Rehearsal 10:30 am Worship 12:15 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

*First Presbyterian Church actively exists as the living body of Christ, committed to growing in faithfulness to God, serving the whole human family and welcoming all people into God’s love.
(Our Mission Statement)*