First Presbyterian Church Delhi, New York

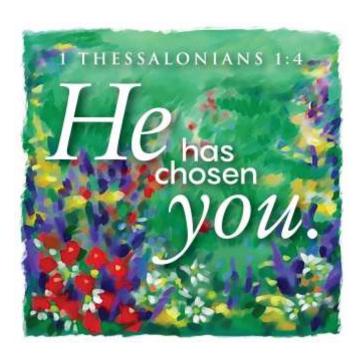
November 2, 2025

10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion & Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

"...every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith."

1 Thess. 1:3





GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit "This is My Father's World"

*Call to Worship (Psalm 119:141-144)

Leader: Though I am lowly and despised*, I do not forget your precepts.

People: Your righteousness is everlasting and your law is true.

Leader: Trouble and distress have come upon me, but your commands give me delight.

Unison: Your statutes are always righteous; give me understanding that I may live.

* "Despised" means literally to be looked at as though we are nothing of value like an ant or a fleck of dust.

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*Hymn "You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"

Prayer of Confession

Lord above, You look down and see us, but You don't look down on us. It is like a parent seeing their child, rather than a famous actor looking at someone as an irritant rather than a fan. For all the distance between the perfection of Heaven and our kind-of-okay-but-less-than-perfectness, you never fail to value us. So when we are feeling useless or insignificant or whatever else like that, remind us that we are listening to the wrong voices. Whether those voices are between our ears or from others, the thought that we are "nothing much" tends towards falsehood. And when we overlook one another, call us back to the truth. You did not give anyone life for others to look at them as nothing. We are born of Your heart and are never far from Your mind. Help us to live Your truth in all our relationships. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (Romans 5:6-8)

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Choral Response "Gloria Patri"

*Sharing the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Anthem "The Lord's Prayer" by Malotte

Prayer for Illumination

God, source of all light, by Your Word You give light to the soul. Pour out on us the spirit of wisdom and understanding, that our hearts and minds may be opened to know Your truth and Your way. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Old Testament Reading – Isaiah 1:10-18

Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom; listen to the instruction of our God, you people of Gomorrah! "The multitude of your sacrifices-what are they to me?" says the Lord. "I have more than enough of burnt offerings, of rams and the fat of fattened animals; I have no pleasure in the blood of bulls and lambs and goats. When you come to appear before me, who has asked this of you, this trampling of my courts? Stop bringing meaningless offerings! Your incense is detestable to me. New Moons, Sabbaths and convocations—I cannot bear your worthless assemblies. Your New Moon feasts and your appointed festivals I hate with all my being. They have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. When you spread out your hands in prayer, I hide my eyes from you; even when you offer many prayers, I am not listening. Your hands are full of blood! Wash and make yourselves clean. Take your evil deeds out of my sight; stop doing wrong. Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow. "Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.

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

Message Reading – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silas and Timothy, to the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing. Therefore, among God's churches we boast about your perseverance and faith in all the persecutions and trials you are enduring.

With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may bring to fruition your every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith. We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader: God's Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Growing Into Christ's Likeness" Pastor Jamie Tyrrell

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Presentation of Gifts and Offerings

Call to the Offering

Offertory

#581

*Choral Response "Praise God,

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

#606

*Prayer of Dedication

Loving God, we have so many reasons to say "thank You" to You. Your generosity, grace, and mercy are astounding and we pray that the gifts we offer in worship and throughout the week might be used in Your name. Help us to be generous with our money, but also with our talents and time. Strengthen us to recognize Your blessings, to be grateful, and to respond accordingly. In Christ's Name. 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

If you accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, you are welcome to join us in Communion.

Communion Hymn

"Come to the Table of Grace"

#507

*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

"For All the Saints"

#326

*Benediction

Postlude

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Thought for the Day: "Pray about it as much as you think about it." — Anonymous

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



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Let us be grateful for the Word of God which is like a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. We rejoice that you have come to unite with us in praising the Creator of us all.

(*Prayer*) By quieting our souls before the Lord and awaiting the Holy Spirit, this very hour can be a time of spiritual growth.

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).

Sirivuth Ann, who we support through our mission giving, has taken ill and has asked for prayers. Please keep him in your prayers, and if you wish to also send a get well card, we have some in the New Narthex that can be filled out.

Our **November mission** is to provide college students and active military in our congregational family with care packages. If you know of anyone we should include, please get that information to Joe Weaver or the church office. If you would like to contribute to this mission, please mark your checks or put donations in the mission envelopes.

Join us after church on Sunday, November 16th for our "**Basilica Café**" **luncheon**. This year the Fellowship Committee has decided to embark on a trip around the world! Each month will feature a cafe from a different country! Our first country is Italy! So break out your passport and dig out those recipes and meet you at our favorite Italian restaurant!

The fellowship committee invites you to a special **concert by Trio Demeter Momentum** on December 7 at 4pm in the sanctuary. A free will offering will be taken to benefit the Little Delaware Youth Ensemble. The concert will be followed by a **Christmas Hors d'oeuvres and Mocktails Party** in the chapel. Bring an appetizer to share and drop off in the chapel before the concert. Come have a mocktail served up by a true Scottish lad! Feel free to dress up in that old cocktail dress!

^{*}You may stand

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 Ed Chytalo and Tom Little. The Trustees responsible for counting on November 9 are Ed Goff and Tom Leo.

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 I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me...." (John 6:38) When praying the "Our Father", say the words slowly so you truly recognize what you are saying. Every day when praying this prayer, we repeat what Jesus said in the scripture passage – "thy kingdom come, thy will be done." Even though we say these words, do our actions reflect those words? Can we be faithful and obedient to God's will? Start today – start aligning your words and actions with God's will for you.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we are faithful and persistent in discerning God's will for us on earth.

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

Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance	48 - 48 in sanctuary +
Sunday 10-26-2025	approx. 0 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,735.62
General amount given week of 10-26-2025	\$733.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$74,631.66
General amount given YTD as of 10-26-2025	\$71,102.65
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$67.31
Fuel Fund given week of 10-26-2025	\$20.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$2,894.33
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 10-26-2025	\$2,223.36
Kirk Receipts 10-19-25 to 10-25-25	\$2,478.82
Mission giving week of 10-26-2025	\$0.00
Mission giving YTD as of 10-26-2025	\$842.00
Apportionment Needed 2025	\$6,062.67
Apportionment received YTD as of 10-26-2025	\$1,414.51

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



Dear Friends,

Sunday School at FPC is growing, and we would like to invite you to join us on October 26^{th} , November 2^{nd} , 9^{th} , 16^{th} , 23^{rd} and December 7^{th} , 14^{th} and 21^{st} . We have a Primary class for pre-school to second grade and a Junior class for third grade through 14 years old.

We have an exciting Fall planned and hope that you can join us from 9:30am to 10:20am. We are looking forward to seeing you in our class! If you have any questions, please call the church office at (607) 746-2155.

The Christian Education Committee



SUNDAY	Daylight Savings Time ends
November 2	9:30 am Sunday School
	9:45 am Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 am Worship with Communion
MONDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
November 3	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
	3:00 pm Girl Scouts
	4:00 pm Bible Study
	4:15 pm Session Meeting
TUESDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
November 4	4:45 pm PNC Meeting
WEDNESDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
November 5	10:30 am Gentle Yoga
THURSDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
November 6	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY	8:00 am - 12:00 pm Little Inspirations
November 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
November 8	10:00 am Yoga
SUNDAY	9:30 am Sunday School
November 9	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)



