

**First Presbyterian Church
Delhi, New York**

July 26, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

"...[the yeast] permeates every part of the dough." Matthew 13:33



The Parable of the Leaven



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Prelude

Welcome and Church Life Notes

Introit

"Sonata in D Major – Affettuoso"

by Handel

***Call to Worship** (*Psalm 128:1-2, 5-6*)

Leader: Blessings on all who reverence and trust the Lord—on all who obey him!

People: Their reward shall be prosperity and happiness.

Leader: May the Lord continually bless you with heaven's blessings as well as with human joys.

Unison: May you live to enjoy your grandchildren! And may God bless Israel!

***Hymn**

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

#20

Prayer of Confession

O Lord, our God, You often work through the small. We want to be big. You bless a word or a phone call. We want to change so much more. You love us as we are, even as You look forward to our becoming more like Jesus tomorrow. You love others through who we are, even though we could be more useful to You. Forgive us when we overlook the blessing we are, because of the blessing we wished we could give. Give us the eyes to see Your work in our lives and the lives of those around us. Help us to rejoice in what we can do. In Christ's Name, Amen.

(A moment for silent personal prayer of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. (*John 3:16-17*)

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

Interlude *“Sonata in D Major – Larghetto”* by Handel

Prayer for Illumination

O God, whose love was so great that You gave your only Son for a world in rebellion—as we receive your Word today, teach us the way of Your love and transform our hearts through your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Old Testament Reading – 1 Kings 3:5-12

At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, “Ask for whatever you want me to give you.” Solomon answered, “You have shown great kindness to your servant, my father David, because he was faithful to you and righteous and upright in heart. You have continued this great kindness to him and have given him a son to sit on his throne this very day. Now, LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David. But I am only a little child and do not know how to carry out my duties. Your servant is here among the people you have chosen, a great people, too numerous to count or number. So give your servant a discerning heart to govern your people and to distinguish between right and wrong. For who is able to govern this great people of yours?” The Lord was pleased that Solomon had asked for this. So God said to him, “Since you have asked for this and not for long life or wealth for yourself, nor have asked for the death of your enemies but for discernment in administering justice, I will do what you have asked. I will give you a wise and discerning heart, so that there will never have been anyone like you, nor will there ever be.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***Hymn** *"I Love to Tell the Story"* **#462**

Message Reading – Matthew 13:33

He also used this example: “The Kingdom of Heaven can be compared to a woman making bread. She takes a measure of flour and mixes in the yeast until it permeates every part of the dough.”

Leader: God's Word for Today.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *“God Works Through the Truth”* Pastor Jamie Tyrrell

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 Jesus, we receive abundance from Your hand, and we present a portion of that abundance for Your worship. Be with us as we share with others. We ask that all Your people may be provided for and Your blessing may be revealed to everyone. In Christ's Name, Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

... “forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors”

***Closing Hymn** *"Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining"* **#192**

*Benediction

Postlude

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**You may stand*

Thought for the Day: “Love God. Love people. Love your neighbors and enemies. Seek the lost. Make disciples and train them to follow Jesus.” —Charles Spurgeon

Leading us in worship this morning:

Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim

Dena Levine, Guest Musician - Piano

Leo Besen, Guest Musician - Violin

Elder Kevin Lee, Liturgist



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Welcome! We rejoice in your presence as we gather in unity around the throne of grace.

(Prayer) Quiet our spirits, O Lord, so that we might focus upon your presence and know that we are properly worshipping you, our Creator, Redeemer and Comforter. Amen.

Your **tithes and offerings** may be made online via PayPal, click the donate button at <https://fpcdelhi.org/offering>, or by regular mail (4 Clinton Street, Delhi, NY 13753).



A CALL has been issued by the Session for a Special Meeting of the Congregation, according to the terms of the church bylaws, to be held virtually and in person immediately following worship today, **July 26, 2026**. The purpose of the meeting will be to elect George Thompson as a Deacon—to complete Linda DeWitt's term—and anyone else willing to answer the call to serve as a Deacon. No other business may come before the congregation at this time.

We are having a **Send-Off Party for Jamie & Bessie** on Saturday, August 1 at 4:30 at the Maxwell Farm. Brooks' chicken and drinks will be provided – please bring a dish to share!

On August 2nd, Delaware County is having a **parade right here in Delhi to celebrate America's 250th anniversary**. First Pres is going to have a float! If you are interested in riding on the float, or decorating the float, please call Susie at (607) 644-4983.

Jamie and Bessie's new address in Kentucky will be:

Jamie & Bessie Tyrrell
704 Indian Ridge Rd.
Louisville, KY 40207

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 Ed Chytalo and Ed Goff. The Trustees responsible for counting on August 2 are Alex Cantwell and Kathy Beveridge.

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: *"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose."* (Romans 8:28) Do you really trust God? Do you really believe that God will provide all that you need? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do, in good times and in bad, means that God's plan for our lives may be quite different than what we planned. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God, his plan is always better.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER: That we may allow stewardship to blossom in our hearts and joyfully share our gifts.

The **Per Capita** amount for 2026 has been set at \$50.51 per member.

Virtual and Sanctuary Attendance Sunday 7-19-2026	46 - 37 in sanctuary + approx. 9 virtual
General amount needed each week	\$1,432.90
General amount given week of 7-19-2026	\$1,244.00
General amount needed year-to-date	\$41,554.10
General amount given YTD as of 7-19-2026	\$44,478.90
Fuel Fund needed each week	\$384.62
Fuel Fund given week of 7-19-2026	\$152.00
Fuel Fund needed year-to-date	\$11,153.98
Fuel Fund given YTD as of 7-19-2026	\$1,882.00
Kirk Receipts 7-12-26 to 7-18-26	\$2,219.85
Presbyterian Mission Support week of 7-19-2026	\$0.00
Presbyterian Mission Support YTD as of 7-19-2026	\$370.00
Apportionment Needed 2026	\$6,162.22
Apportionment received YTD as of 7-19-2026	\$1,207.12

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



You are invited to the “Send-Off”

Come join us in wishing Pastor Jamie and Bessie nothing but the best as they close this chapter of their lives and begin the next!

4:30 on Saturday, August 1st

at

The Maxwell Farm, 21287 St. Hwy 28

Brooks' BBQ chicken, drinks and table service will be provided.
Please bring a dish to share!

Rain Location: Delhi Masonic Lodge Hall, Meredith St.



SUNDAY July 26	<i>Bountiful Giving Sunday</i> 10:00 am Worship 7:00 pm Lectio Divina (Virtual)
MONDAY July 27	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
TUESDAY July 28	4:30 pm PNC Meeting
WEDNESDAY July 29	10:30 am Gentle Yoga
THURSDAY July 30	9:00 am Kirk Work Day
FRIDAY July 31	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Store Open 10:30 am Adult Ballet Class
SATURDAY August 1	9:00 am – 2:00 pm Kirk Thrift Store Open 10:00 am Yoga 4:30 pm Send-Off Party for Jamie & Bessie
SUNDAY August 2	10:00 am Worship with Communion 12:00 pm Parade Line-Up 1:00 pm 250-Year Celebration Parade 7:00 pm Lectio Divina (Virtual)

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(Our Mission Statement)*