



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DELHI, NY JULY - AUGUST 2026 COURIER

Special dates

- Fair on the Square Mission Outreach, Town Square, *July 3*
- Independence Day, *July 4*
- Worship with Communion, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *July 5*
- Worship, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *July 12*
- Worship, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *July 19*
- Worship & Bountiful Giving Sunday, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *July 26*
- Send-Off Party, 4:30 pm, Maxwell Farm, *August 1*
- 250-Year Celebration Parade, 12:00 pm line up/1:00 parade, *August 2*
- Worship with Communion, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *August 2*
- Worship & Pastor Jamie's Last Service, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *August 9*
- Worship, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *August 16*
- Worship & Bountiful Giving Sunday, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *August 23*
- Worship, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *August 30*
- Newsletter Deadline, *August 31*
- Worship with Communion, 10:00 am, Sanctuary, *September 6*
- Labor Day, Office Closed, *September 7*



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Pastor Jamie Tyrrell, Interim
Officers and Boards 2026



| SESSION – next meetings May 4 and Jun 1 at 5:30 pm | | |
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| 2026 | Nancy Lee, 2 Cross Street, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-201-4275 |
| | Renee Maxwell, 9 Delview Terrace, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-287-0401 |
| | Nancy Morley, 4993 County Hwy 14, Treadwell, NY 13846 | 607-434-6318 |
| 2027 | Kevin Lee, 2 Cross Street, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-267-8485 |
| | Susie Little, 1618 Arbuckle Hollow, Delancey, NY 13752 | 607-644-4983 |
| | Joe Weaver, 4 Park Place, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-435-3875 |
| | Tammi Tully, 125 Delaware Ave, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-376-1119 |

| DEACONS – next meetings May 10 and Jun 14 at 9:30 am | | |
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| 2026 | Karen LaFever, 74 Meredith St, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-746-6339 |
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| 2027 | Mary Conklin, PO Box 202, Hamden, NY 13782 | 607-865-4387 |
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| 2028 | Betty Bell, 22 Sunset Ave, Sidney, NY 13838 | 607-561-9387 |
| | Toni Weaver, 4 Park Place, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-435-3987 |

| TRUSTEES – next meetings May 4, May 20 and Jun 17 at 6:00 pm | | |
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| 2026 | Kathy Beveridge, 9786 Co. Hwy 14, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-422-1474 |
| | Ed Goff, 485 Dunham Rd, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-746-8709 |
| | Tom Little, 1618 Arbuckle Hollow, Delancey, NY 13752 | 607-643-2446 |
| 2027 | Alex Cantwell, 22B Meredith St, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-434-6081 |
| | Joe Cantwell, 13491 State Highway 28, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-287-1919 |
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| 2028 | Tom Leo, 200 Spencer Heights, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-434-4872 |
| | Art Maxwell, 9 Delview Terrace, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-287-1977 |

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| TREASURER | George Thompson, 517 Olin Evans Rd, Franklin, NY 13775 | 607-829-6005 |
| FINANCIAL SECRETARY | Gia Cantwell, 13491 State Highway 28, Delhi, NY 13753 | 607-746-3611 |
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Lord, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance. (Psalm 16: 5-6 NIV)

Well, I am a short term, now till August 9. As Bessie and I place Delhi into the larger experience of having served the church for 58 years, there is much to remember. So many projects. So many people. So much laughter. And yes, many tears as well.

Certain things stand out about the Delhi experience. We are delighted to see how the Trustees are restoring the physical plant. The growing success of the Kirk fuels much of that. The Kirk has allowed us to strengthen our children's ministry, online presence, international ministry and use of technology for education, meetings and other involvements. Our Christian Education committee is getting the job done! Our music is terrific and Darcy is a joy. And the relationships between the leaders is an inspiration to me. Having worked with many church bodies, your leadership is a standout.

I am particularly grateful for the Deacons, especially Betty Bell, who have made my pastoral ministry rich with love and laughter. And speaking of laughter, the Fellowship Committee lunches! And how about our Christmas Eve donkey?

I have so many pleasant memories. My office is filled with pictures from the kids which I will take with me and treasure. Hugs, songs, Bountiful Giving and greeting. And thank you notes from all sorts of you, each one touching my heart.

I have every confidence in you and in your future. I will continue to pray for you. Please pray for Bessie and me in retirement. I leave knowing full well that you can manage your affairs in the future as you have in the past.

Your prayers for the PNC are working. They are adding a few new avenues to their search as well as continuing with the ones they have been using. Time is in your favor.

Keep the Session in your prayers. Our program works. Our leadership is comfortable working with each other. Imagination is around every corner here. And this is a spiritual community. Pray for the Spirit's guidance.

And never forget your Deacons. They are your leaders in pastoral ministry here.

Remember, churches—which are families, which pray for each other, which study God's word together as well as privately, which visit one another in need and laugh with each other—do well. Small towns are great places and this church is an example of a community of love that is diverse, strong in the various beliefs but deeply committed to each other as one people of God living and influencing the world around us.

Bessie and I are so happy to have lived among you and will treasure you always.



PNC Progress Report

In previous reports we have recounted our efforts to reach out in a variety of ways to find a pastor for our church. We have considered many options and most recently have researched some consulting firms that specialize in pastoral searches. We chose two firms to discuss their services and checked their references. Session approved the hiring of a consultant to assist us and we are currently exploring this option.

We met multiple times in the past two months and held 4 interviews with 3 candidates. In addition, 7 candidates withdrew or declined our invitation and 2 were not considered.

We continue to ask for prayers and look forward to any ideas or suggestions that you may have.

Together in Christ,

Your PNC Committee - Barb Thompson, Kathy Beveridge, Renee Maxwell, Joe Weaver, Kathy Sullivan, Leslie Doig, and Kevin Lee



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.



-Highlights from Spring!-



*Frank Snyder's 90th Birthday
Card Shower (above)*



Christian Education

The Christian Education committee is planning a Heifer International fundraiser and a blessing of the animals on October 3, 2026. We will be having a planning committee meeting on July 15th at 7 PM. Please join us if you can assist in organizing this exciting event.

Delaware County 250-Year Celebration

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.

Youth Choir 50th Anniversary

The United Ministry is organizing a 50th anniversary celebration of the Youth Choir that performed in the 1970's, which was comprised of youth from our church, the Second Presbyterian Church, the Methodist Church and the Delhi community. During that time the choir performed at various locations on the East Coast singing *Godspell*.

The choir will be gathering to practice together on July 18th at 10am and then will be performing a concert at 2pm. Lunch will be provided. If you were—or know—a member of that choir please share this information with them. The concert is open to all so please join us! For additional information reach out to Kathy Sullivan or Ron Frisbee at frisbeer369@gmail.com.

Mission

LITTLE INSPIRATIONS



In July the Kirk Thrift Shoppe designates \$1,500.00 to give to Little Inspirations for their use in providing scholarships to families who might need a little help with tuition. Scholarships are given at the pre-school's discretion.

SPARE CHANGE FOR MISSION

The "Mile of Pennies" jar needs your help! Please gather up all the scattered and assorted coins that are cluttering up your dressers or tables and bring them in to the "Mile of Pennies" jar outside the office. Every donation is helpful – large or small! The money collected from this jar goes toward the "Fellowship of the Least Coin" supporting our mission giving with our brothers and sisters around the globe.

FOOD BANK

Check the bulletin board outside the office for suggestions of items the food bank could use that you may not have considered.

FAIR ON THE SQUARE



The Mission Committee at First Presbyterian Church is holding a **"Cookie For a Cause" at the Fair On the Square on Friday, July 3.** This year, all proceeds will be matched by the Kirk and will go to fund needed repairs to the Village Gazebo. Come down to the Square on the 3rd to say hello and show some support! Just look for the First Pres Banner!

PAKISTAN MISSION

In May we focus our mission efforts toward our support of Pastor Mohsin Elder in Pakistan. This past May we raised \$295 to specifically go toward acquiring new chairs for their expanding congregation.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

In August we help with the School Supply Drive for Delaware Academy. Once we get the list of items needed from the school, we will get the word out to the congregation and to the other local churches. This mission is always in partnership with the other Delhi churches to provide necessary supplies for students who may not have all that they need. The school keeps a reserve on hand so they are ready to give out items as the needs arise.

Trustee Meeting Highlights

May - June 2026

- All financial reports and bills to pay are reviewed every month.
- Elevator has been inspected.
- Historical stone work pointing on outside of Church has been completed at the Church and manse, final inspection is being done by Joe Cantwell.
- Trustees had the old carpet in the Little Inspirations classroom floors removed and new laminate flooring installed.
- New CE room for Sunday School kids has been renovated, last item to be done is paint the walls.
- Sand has been put away in shed and mower has been serviced.
- Looking for someone to run livestream services during Sunday service and the pay is \$30.

Apportionment



The **Per Capita amount for 2026** has been set at **\$50.51 per member**. Per Capita apportionment is based on church membership as of December 31, 2024. Our apportionment is based on 122 members giving a total of \$6,162.22. The money is paid by our church to cover our share of basic operation costs of our Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly. Each member is invited to contribute \$50.51 to help pay this obligation.

First Presbyterian Church

Delhi, New York

Budget vs. Actual
January – May 2026

| | TOTAL | | |
|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| | ACTUAL | BUDGET | OVER BUDGET |
| Revenue | | | |
| Apportionment | 973.12 | 625.00 | 348.12 |
| Building Use Donation | 3,681.00 | 2,916.65 | 764.35 |
| Flats Cemetery | | 83.35 | -83.35 |
| Identified Giving | 25,105.00 | 31,250.00 | -6,145.00 |
| Income Other | 3,166.00 | 1,570.00 | 1,596.00 |
| Interest Income | 8.99 | 5.00 | 3.99 |
| Loose Offering | 1,785.93 | 1,458.35 | 327.58 |
| Mission Offerings | 4,539.93 | 1,666.70 | 2,873.23 |
| Savings Transfers | 61,015.12 | 87,323.35 | -26,308.23 |
| Total Revenue | \$100,275.09 | \$126,898.40 | \$ -26,623.31 |
| GROSS PROFIT | \$100,275.09 | \$126,898.40 | \$ -26,623.31 |
| Expenditures | | | |
| Administration | 16,498.64 | 17,058.65 | -560.01 |
| Building & Grounds - Church | 26,573.87 | 23,349.70 | 3,224.17 |
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| Christian Education | 1,081.59 | 1,216.60 | -135.01 |
| General | 3,035.19 | 6,046.80 | -3,011.61 |
| Grounds - Flats Cemetery | | 416.65 | -416.65 |
| Insurance Expense | 3,334.86 | 5,129.20 | -1,794.34 |
| Interest Expense | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Ministry Expenses | 25,998.00 | 39,985.75 | -13,987.75 |
| Mission Expenses | 8,528.95 | 11,041.65 | -2,512.70 |
| Music & Worship | 7,127.19 | 7,657.20 | -530.01 |
| Payroll (Company) Expenses | 2,561.44 | 2,250.75 | 310.69 |
| Payroll Expenses | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Presbyterian Women | 65.96 | 0.00 | 65.96 |
| Thrift Store | 671.56 | 375.00 | 296.56 |
| Total Expenditures | \$99,373.02 | \$126,494.60 | \$ -27,121.58 |
| NET OPERATING REVENUE | \$902.07 | \$403.80 | \$498.27 |
| NET REVENUE | \$902.07 | \$403.80 | \$498.27 |

*Please note the budget column represents the **budget for January through May only**. Please contact Treasurer George Thompson or the church office if you have any questions.

Respectfully Submitted,
George Thompson, Treasurer

The Bulletin Board

COMMUNION IN WORSHIP

JULY 5, 2026



AUGUST 2, 2026

Worship, participate, commune and open your eyes and your hearts to the living Christ in your life.

Addresses Needed for Those Away in College & Military

Please contact the church office by phone, email or post with our church family's students or military service personnel addresses for this year. Our caring congregation wishes to encourage those students and military who are part of our church family with cards and prayers and maybe even a care package at times! Help us help members of our church family who are students or in the military to stay connected to their church family.

Address & Email Corrections

If you move or change your email address, please contact the church office as soon as possible but at least within 30 days, with your new mailing or emailing information. Thank you for helping us maintain communication in a timely manner.



Find Us on YouTube!

We are livestreaming our Sunday services via YouTube. Visit the site: youtube.com/@firstpresbyterianchurchofdelhi and click the "Live" tab to find our services. Subscribe to our page for easy access.

DEVOTIONALS AVAILABLE

The Upper Room and **Our Daily Bread** devotionals are available in the new narthex and also outside the church office. If you wish to make a contribution to defray the cost, there is a wooden box on the table outside the office or contributions may be left in the office.

New Arrival!

Congratulations to Bethany Althaus & David Brew who welcomed their son Silas Charles Brew into the world on May 8, 2026!

Silas is welcomed by his grandparents David & Nancy Althaus, uncle Ben Althaus and at home by his brother Jackson!



OUR CHURCH FAMILY



Our deepest sympathy and prayers are with the following families:

Susan & Jeff Gearhart on the passing of Susan's brother James Mance on May 16, 2026.

Jane, Gary, Kate, Giorgia and Annie on the passing of Linda DeWitt on June 7, 2026.

Gia & Joe Cantwell and family on the passing of Gia's "Uncle Dick," Richard Griffiths on June 27, 2026 in Asheville, NC at the age of 97.



If you know of anyone who is in the hospital or in need of pastoral care, please call the church office. We would rather be notified ten times than not be aware of the needs of the church family!

Our prayers are with those who have recently had outpatient procedures, surgery, are facing major changes in their lives, been hospitalized or are facing difficult health concerns.

A Repair for Brokenness

Our lives are marked by brokenness, including broken relationships, broken promises, and broken expectations.



Left unattended, these fractures can quietly shape us, hardening into bitterness or resentment.

How do we live with such brokenness without losing heart? We return, again and again, to God's faithful presence. In Him, we find not only comfort but restoration. God does not ignore what is broken. He meets us in it, gently mending what we place in His hands and reshaping what feels beyond repair.

Scripture reminds us, "He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds" (Psalm 147:3, NIV). What we cannot fix on our own, God is able to restore in His time and in His way.

Henri Nouwen, a Dutch Catholic priest, professor and spiritual writer, often spoke of this sacred return, the daily turning back to God where healing begins and hope is renewed. In His presence, our brokenness is not wasted. It becomes the very place where grace takes root and new life begins.

Church Activities

WORSHIP FLOWERS

July 5 -
12 -
19 -
26 -

Aug 2 -
9 -
16 -
23 -
30 -

Sept 6 -



LITURGISTS

July 5 - Tom Little
12 - Renee Maxwell
19 - Tammi Tully
26 - Kevin Lee

Aug 2 - TBD
9 - TBD
16 - TBD
23 - TBD
30 - TBD

Sept 6 - TBD



Newsletter
DEADLINE

Newsletter articles are due in the office on Monday, August 31, 2026 in order to be placed in the September - October Courier. If you are able to turn items in earlier, it is certainly appreciated.

**LOOKING FOR
WAYS TO
SERVE?**



2026 Flower sign-up is now on the bulletin board across from the office. If you would like to offer flowers for worship on a Sunday, please sign up on the poster or give the church office a call. Thank you for helping enhance our worship!

Anyone wishing to participate in the Worship Service as **Liturgist** should contact the church office.

OFFICE NOTES

If you have an item or announcement to be placed in the Church Life section of the bulletin, it must be in the office by 9:00 on Thursday morning.

The office will be closed on Thurs, July 2nd for Independence Day and on Mon, September 6th for Labor Day.

Darcy will be on vacation for the dates August 3-6 and August 24-27.



JULY BIRTHDAYS

July 1 – Chris Kilmer
 Tom Little
 Nancy Thomson
 3 – Anna Arehart
 Molly Arehart
 Joe Weaver
 4 – Lucas Baier
 Trent Kathmann
 8 – Kacie Aitken
 Jackson Brew
 10 – Claire Perkins
 11 – Elaine Reinhardt
 14 – Kevin Lee
 17 – Joe Cantwell
 Barb Mackey
 19 – Billy Meredith
 Chris Hooker
 23 – Leona Sullivan
 27 – Ed Goff
 29 – Gwenn Nealis
 30 – Glenn Nealis
 31 – Kassandra Gearhart

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Aug 1 – Linden Kilmer
 2 – Renee Maxwell
 Ellery Cobbe
 3 – Nancy Althaus
 Jeff Baier
 Jim Merwin
 Karleigh Roberts
 Dylan Rosa
 Matthew Weaver
 5 – Alex Cantwell
 7 – Amelia Gibson
 Annaliese Olsen
 Greg Kilmer
 9 – Emily Schmitt
 10 – Art Maxwell
 Benjamin Noble
 11 – Carolyn Massey
 12 – Charles Beveridge
 Angela Rosino
 14 – James Smith
 Kathryn Anderson
 18 – Nicole Mackey
 19 – Ava Mooney
 Patrick Sullivan
 20 – Nolan Patry
 22 – Joan E Pawlikowski
 Dixon Yopez
 23 – John Nealis
 24 – Logan Newbold
 Barbara Perkins
 26 – Darcy Gibson
 Jonah Little
 27 – Charlie Beveridge
 Jeff Gearhart
 28 – Aileen Nealis
 30 – Janet Schwengber

Gary Manning SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sept 1 – Bruce Burr
 2 – Scott Clark
 Nancy Morley
 3 – Ava Sprague
 5 – Margaret Jones
 6 – William Thomas-
 Mills
 9 – Liz Arehart



In Every Season, Turn to God

Are you enjoying a happy time?

Praise God.

Is life becoming difficult?

Seek God.

Are you experiencing a quiet moment?

Worship God.

Are you suffering great pain?

Trust God.

Are you unsure what to do?

Ask God.

Are you overwhelmed with joy?

Thank God.



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