



First Presbyterian Church
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September 15, 2024

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

10:00 AM

GOD’S PEOPLE GATHER

* = Please stand in body or in spirit

WELCOME! We are glad you can join us for worship here and online.

Visitors, please sign the guest book located in the narthex. Prayer request cards are available in the racks within each pew. Please *remember to turn off all devices as we turn towards God.*

GREETINGS TO THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

PRELUDE

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

arr. Anna Laura Page

* CALL TO WORSHIP: (Responsively)

by Ann Siddall

One: Friends of God, believe this – God loved the world, God loves the world, we are the beloved!

All: **May the truth of this great love story, shine through our worship today, and renew our sense of calling.**

One: So come, with your tiredness, your frustrations and your discouragements; come with your doubts, your fears, and your longings; come, to discover yet again how Jesus reveals God’s love and mercy.

All: **We come, in friendship to God and to each other, and in friendship to the world, to listen for God’s Word to us, to offer our prayers, and to renew our calling. Friends of God, let us worship!**

* HYMN # Blue 559

“We Gather Together”

Netherlands Folk Hymn

INVITATION TO SEEK GOD’S GRACE

PRAYER SEEKING GOD’S GRACE: (In unison)

by Peter K. Perry

Loving God, whose touch can heal the broken places of life, touch us today...

God of peace, whose spirit of peace can quiet our spirits of confusion and despair, reassure us today...

Forgiving God, whose call to repentance promises grace upon grace, place your mercy in our souls today...

Open our hearts to new faithfulness, redirect our waywardness, and hold us gently in your goodness. We confess our need to you, and we turn to you with hearts filled with hope, remembering the promises you have made to us.

SILENT REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (In unison)

Eternal God, in the reading of Scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditation of our hearts, may your Word be known; in the faithfulness of our lives, may your will be done. Amen.

GOD’S WORD TO US

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 35:1-7

p. 663

One: This is the word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

SERMON

“Working Together ”

Pastor Carie Morgan

A MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

(A quiet time for contemplation on the preached scripture.)

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD’S WORD

* HYMN # Blue 367

“Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love”

Ghanaian folk melody

vs. 1-3

(At this time, ushers will receive any written prayer requests. Blank prayer request cards are available in the racks within each pew. Please feel free to fill one out and give it to an usher or email office@fpcboonton.org)

TIME FOR MISSION

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER: (In unison) **“forgive us our sins, as...sin against us”**

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“The Lord’s Prayer”

Mark A. Miller

(Please remain silent during this time of worship, dedication and prayer)

* PRESENTATION / DOXOLOGY: (In unison)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOD’S PEOPLE GO INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN # Blue 341

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!”

Fanny J. Crosby

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Thy Word”

arr. John Carter

Pastor: The Rev. Carie Morgan

Organist/Choir Director: Sarah Jane Zollner

Lay Reader: Spencer Keoppel

Ministers: All the People of the Church

LAY READER – Spencer Keoppel is a member of the First Church of Boonton who joined through confirmation in 2011. He is the third child of Donna and Dan and is currently serving the Church as Moderator of the Deacons. He is a QA specialist working for PDI.

CHANCEL FLOWERS

are given to the glory of God by Marion Gingery in memory of her husband Harold.

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church of Boonton

We are glad you are worshipping with us today!

Mission Outreach:

FAITH KITCHEN: Monday, September 23 from 9am-1230 pm. See Deb Stora or email the office if you are interested in volunteering: office@fpcboonton.org

PEACEMAKING OFFERING: Between now and 10/6/23, the Deacons will be collecting monetary donations for the PCUSA Peace and Global Witness program. The Deacons will contribute 25% of the total funds collected to the **American Foundation for Suicide Prevention** (AFSP). Please mail your donations to FPCB, 513 Birch Street, Boonton, NJ 07005 or donate through Breeze.

BOONTON DAY – Sunday, September 29th is Boonton Day. We are looking for volunteers to help man the church's booth, as well as help with set up and clean up. The event runs from 12:00-4:00, Please see Kim Robbins or Trish Herrera if you are able to volunteer. Boonton Day is always a lot of fun, hope to see you all there!

MISSIONS: We are always accepting Mission Donations through Breeze or they can be mailed to or dropped off at the office.

MEAL TRAIN: is an opportunity to provide a meal for a person or a family in their time of need. Please email Martel Roberts at martelroberts@gmail.com or call or text 973-216-0787 if you would like to volunteer to provide a meal or if you are in need of a meal.

Worship:

WORSHIP FLOWERS NEEDED You can sign up on the chart by the Sanctuary doors. One or both of these arrangements are delivered to the sick and homebound each week and bring connection and cheer. The office will contact you regarding the \$40 flower donation and bulletin dedication.

HEARING AIDS/RECEIVERS – We have hearing aid receivers available during the worship service. Please ask an usher if you would like to use one. **PEW PILLOWS** – are available during worship for those of you who would like additional back support. Feel free to pick one up or have an usher bring one to you!

Fellowship:

COFFEE HOUR is hosted/sponsored today by Trish Herrera. Please join us in the Library to enjoy this time of fellowship. *Please consider sponsoring or hosting coffee hour. You can sign up on the board next to the office (or consider donating to the jar in the library). Congregational Life will provide coffee.

FALL BIBLE STUDY - please contact Pastor Carie if you are interested in participating.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH - Sing Handel's Messiah with the Cathedral Choir & the American Chamber Orchestra December 7th at 7:00 PM, at Cedar Hill Christian Reformed Church in Wyckoff, NJ. Interested singers are invited to come 2:30 PM, to the first of 9 Sunday rehearsals beginning **October 6th** at Midland Park Christian Reformed Church 183 Godwin Avenue Midland Park, NJ. (See flyer on bulletin board)

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 15 – September 21 ~ *Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost*

Sunday	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal - pickup choir (Sanctuary)
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary and online)
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour (Library)
	11:30 am	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
	4:00 pm	L&F Event at the ELKS
	7:00 pm	AA (Reighart Hall)
	Monday	7:00 pm
7:30 pm		NA - Lost and Found Group (Reighart Hall)
Tuesday	3:00 pm	NJ Conservatory (Reighart Hall)
Wednesday	3:00 pm	NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
	3:00 pm	Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	4:00 pm	Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry
	7:00 pm	Presbyaires (Choir Room)
Thursday		LG Back to School night
Saturday	8:00 am	Coffee & Services (Gateway)
	9:00 am	Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

11:00 am Choir for Memorial Service
12:00 pm Janet Eveleth's Memorial Service (Sanctuary)

September 22 – September 28 ~ *Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost*

Sunday	9:15 am	Choir Rehearsal - pickup choir (Sanctuary)
	10:00 am	Worship (Sanctuary and online)
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour (Library)
	11:30 am	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room/Sanctuary)
	7:00 pm	AA (Reighart Hall)
Monday	11:00 am	Dover Faith Kitchen
	7:30 pm	NA - Lost and Found Group (Reighart Hall)
Tuesday	3:00 pm	NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
Wednesday	3:00 pm	NJ Conservatory (Choir Room)
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*The calendar can also be found on our website under news and events: