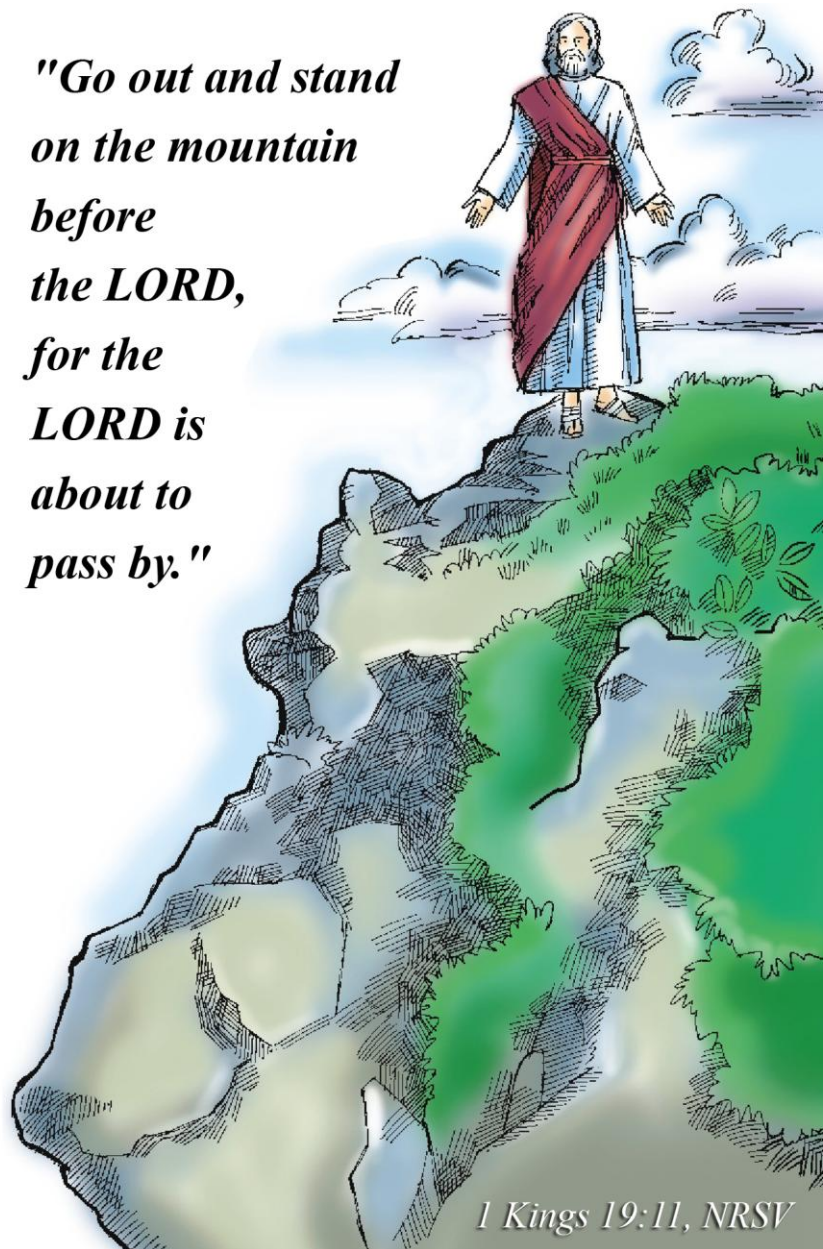


*"Go out and stand  
on the mountain  
before  
the LORD,  
for the  
LORD is  
about to  
pass by."*



*1 Kings 19:11, NRSV*

# First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

June 22, 2025

10:00 a.m.

*In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.*

## **ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME**

Congregational Hymn Sing (9:45)

Hymns 372, 463, 465

Words of Welcome

Prelude

"The Rejoicing"

Charles Callahan

Call to Worship

When the forces in the world threaten us,  
when our bodies or spirits turn against us,

***There is One who seeks us,***

***One who meets us, One who heals us.***

Whose love washes over us and sets us free.

***This is the One Lord. Let us worship God!***

\* Hymn 450

"Be Thou My Vision"

*Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.*

\* Call to Confession

\* Prayer of Confession

***Holy One, God Most High,***

***grant us faith to confess our sin and seek your mercy.***

***There are barren places in our lives***

***where we have wandered far from you.***

***We have listened to voices who distract us from your call.***

***We have submitted to powers competing for our loyalty.***

***We have not taken the hand you offer to lead us.***

***Forgive us. Feed us on your Word.***

***Deliver us from evil, then send us out to serve you,***

***by the power of the Holy Spirit,***

***in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ.***

\* Silent Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

\* Response 390 "Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!"

## **PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Luke 8:26-39 (NT, p. 68)

Psalter: Psalms 42 & 43 (Hymn 778)

A Time with Children

Second Lesson: 1 Kings 19:1-18 (OT, p. 326)

Rev. Thyren

\*Hymn 169                      “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

\*Affirmation of Faith

***We believe there is no condemnation  
for those who are called in Christ Jesus;  
for we know that all things work together for good  
for those who love God,  
who are called according to God's purpose.  
We are convinced that neither death nor life,  
nor angels, nor rulers,  
nor things present, nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,  
nor anything else in all creation,  
will be able to separate us from the love of God  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.***

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

|           |        |           |
|-----------|--------|-----------|
| Offering  |        |           |
| Offertory | “Aria” | Ian Tracy |

\* Doxology (606)  
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.*  
*Praise Christ, all people here below.*  
*Praise Holy Spirit evermore.*  
*Praise Triune God, whom we adore.*

### \* Prayer of Dedication

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

|                          |                                      |               |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| * Hymn 722               | “Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak” |               |
| * Charge and Benediction |                                      |               |
| * Postlude               | “Postlude”                           | Robert Powell |

*If you are leaving before the postlude is finished, please do so quietly.*

\* All who are able shall stand.

**The flowers** are given by Karen White in memory of loved ones.

## **PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Guest Preacher  
Coordinator of Children and Youth  
Director of Music  
Organist  
Liturgist

Rev. James Thyren  
Jana Schillinger  
Frank Jones  
Kay Ten Eyck  
Pat Delaney

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## **Church Family Announcements**

Our congregation worships God, equips God's people for ministry in the world, and serves God in ways that are faithful to the Gospel.

Thank you for joining us for Worship.

- We gather at 10:00 a.m. in person or on our YouTube channel, (or stream the service on YouTube at a later time).
- Please use the red attendance pads to record your presence today.

### **FPC Young(er) Adult Group**

This summer, the Christian Education committee is sponsoring new opportunities for building relationships and nurturing faith for anyone in the 20–50-year-old range. We are looking to create fun events and fresh learning opportunities. We are planning the following events:

- **Sunday, June 29, 11:15** - Trolley/Railriders Game.
  - **Saturday, July 26** - Pool Party at the Farrells. Time TBA.
- More events to come. Children are welcome to join these early events. If you have any questions or wish to join the group, please reach out to Michael Thompson at [mkthompson96@gmail.com](mailto:mkthompson96@gmail.com) or 518-577-8691.

## **Summer Bible Study for Adults Children's Bible Stories - But Not the Way You Remember Them**

We will continue our Wednesday night Bible study through the Summer, beginning at 6:00 pm in the library (room 206). We will look at some of the most beloved Bible characters and stories in the Old Testament, like Noah, Moses, David, and Elijah. Some of these will be familiar (or so you think) and others you may be reading for the first time.

**Coffee Hour:** At this writing, only three Sundays remain without refreshment hosts. Those days are June 29, July 13, and July 27. Would you like to help? A sign-up sheet is available in Fellowship Hall. Karen White, 570-575-7005, can answer your questions.

**Summer choir:** Do you enjoy singing, but can't commit to weekly rehearsals? Come and sing with the choir in worship on June 29, July 6 and August 24. Rehearsals at 7pm on two Thursdays, June 26 and August 21. For more information contact Connie Weiss at 570-466-4520.

### **Important Information on the Trolley ride and RailRiders game June 29.**

All with reservations, please forward payment of \$25 per person to the church office, which includes the game ticket and the trolley ride. Checks are payable to First Presbyterian Church.



- We **must leave** right after church is over (11:15) to get to the Trolley Museum in Scranton on time. Feel free to attend worship in baseball clothing.
- **No large purses, bags, or back packs** are permitted on the Trolley or at the game. Plastic, see-through bags may be used.

**AND**

### **There's another RailRiders ball game on the calendar!**

Friday, August 1 Game Time is 6:35 p.m. Tickets are \$14.

That's right! The WBS RailRiders will play the Nashville Sounds at PNC Field!

Sign up in the Narthex or church office by **Sunday, July 20**. Contact Betty Keen with questions. Checks are payable to Betty Keen. (Thanks, Betty!)



**Tell us your prayer concerns.** Prayer Request Cards are in the pew racks. Pass them to the center aisle to be collected during the first hymn.

**Please pray for:** Hall, Caleb, Jon, Char, Susan, Jerry, Don, Roberta, Judy, Wayne, Candace, Jen, Terry, Edward, Sue, Joseph, Baby Lyric, Lisa, Judy S., Mollie, Ellen S., Jeff and Jean, Nancy, Sarah, Leslie, Carol, Dennis, Bill, the Reid and Calvey families, Leslie, Kim, Stuart, Kathy, the Naehar family.

**Are you looking for a new camping experience?** Perhaps church camp for "the kids" this summer? Johnsonburg Camp and Retreat Center in Northwest New Jersey offers programming for children and youth, Grades 1-12. Brochures are available in the narthex. It's 72 miles and just over an hour away. Check their website [www.johnsonburg.org](http://www.johnsonburg.org) for more information. Check our website, [www.fpccs.org](http://www.fpccs.org), "**Learn**" tab for scholarship details.

**We have a Nursery** that is staffed regularly on Sunday mornings from 9:40 to 11:10 a.m. Located in room 208 (sanctuary level), it has a changing table, and age-appropriate toys and books for children ages 3 and younger.

**Updated Church Directory:** Bound copies of the latest Church Directory are on the cabinet inside the Narthex. Please be sure to pick one up!

**We are grateful** for the many ways that people support our church's ministry to the community and world. If you wish to contribute by cell phone, scan here.



### **Egypt: land of pharaohs, pyramids...and Vacation Bible School!**

From July 14-18, the church will be transformed into ancient Egypt, where we'll hear from Joseph about his time in prison and rise to trusted palace advisor. But we need **YOUR HELP** to make it happen! Vacation Bible School is a fun-filled, faith-filled week for the children of our church and community, and we're looking for a few more volunteers to round out our crew. If you're a bit crafty, a bit musically inclined, an energetic games enthusiast, or a behind-the-scenes builder, we've got a job for you! Please contact Jana at [fpccs.vbs@gmail.com](mailto:fpccs.vbs@gmail.com) or call the church office at (570)586-6306 to let us know you can help bring Egypt to life.



If you've already volunteered, thank you! If not, **come on down!** This is your reminder that all VBS volunteers must attend VBS training. If you were unable to attend yesterday, **please plan to attend on Wednesday, June 25 at 7 p.m. in room 206.** Training will last approximately one hour. If neither date was open for you, contact Jana.

P.S. Calling all children, grandchildren, neighbors, and friends! We welcome all children age 4 to completed grade 5 to join us July 14-18, 9AM-12PM, for a week of amazing adventure. Register today at [www.myvbs.org/fpccs](http://www.myvbs.org/fpccs) and we'll see you in Egypt!

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### **Looking ahead:**

- July 10, Mobile Food Pantry, 4-6 p.m.
- July 14-18, Vacation Bible School, 9 a.m.-noon
- July 26, Pool Party at Farrells (see announcement)
- August 1, Rail Riders Baseball Game (sign up by July 20)
- August 10, Parking Lot Picnic
- August 14, Mobile Food Pantry, 4-6 p.m.
- August 31, Annual Jazz Communion, 10 a.m.

## **This Week at a Glance**

Sunday, June 22

- 10 a.m., Worship in the sanctuary and online

Tuesday, June 24

- 9:30 a.m., Yoga, Room 111
- 6 p.m., OA, Room 210
- 7 p.m., Deacons, Room 206
- 7 p.m., AA, Room 111

Wednesday, June 25

- 9 a.m., Presbyter Mailing, Room 209
- 10 a.m., COM Merger Committee, Room 206
- 10:30 a.m., Prayer and Share, Room 209
- 6:00 p.m., Adult Christian Education, Room 209
- 7:00 p.m., VBS Training, Room 206
- 7:30 p.m., AlAnon, Room 209

Thursday, June 26

- 7 p.m., Summer Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Sunday, June 29 It's Trolley Ride to the RailRiders Game day

- 10 a.m., Worship in the sanctuary and online
- 11:15, RailRider fans depart parking lot for trolley ride to the game

Church summer office hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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