



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 10, 2025

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Large-print bulletins are available at both entrances to the sanctuary.

Activity bags & bulletins for kids are available in the narthex.

*Indicates those who are able may stand.



**TODAY'S
HYMNAL**

All hymns today are in the **PURPLE Hymnal, *Glory to God***, unless otherwise noted.



*The Chancel flowers today are given by Joanne Erwin
in loving memory of her parents, Roderick & Dorothy Dodds;
and given by the Gladys Miller, in honor of the Bell Choir.*



Welcome & Announcements

Joys & Concerns

Prelude

Dr. Chris Thomas, Director of Music

We Come Into God's Presence

Call to Worship (L—Leader / P—People) *Genesis 1 & John 1*

L: In the beginning, the earth was a formless void, and darkness covered the face of the deep.

P: **In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.**

L: Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light.

P: **In him was life, and the life was the light of all people.**

L: And God saw that the light was good;

P: **The light shines in the darkness,**

L: And God separated the light from the darkness.

P: **And the darkness did not overcome it.**

L: Let us praise God!

*Gathering Hymn: *Congregational Selection* (Red Hymnal Only)

Margaret Westfield, Hymn Leader

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY SUMMER WORSHIP @ 9:30AM

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Rev. Eliza C. Jaremko, Pastor

Dr. Chris Thomas, Director of Music † Mike Rugge, Organist



We Prepare to Hear God's Word

Prayer of Confession (unison)

God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ you came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt, and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of your grace, and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

L: God is light and in Christ there is no darkness.

P: If we walk in Christ's light, we join in God's fellowship.

L: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

***Affirmation of Faith:**

A Brief Statement of Faith

P: We trust in God, who in sovereign love created the world good.

L: We are all equally created in God's image, male and female.

P: We trust in God, who acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation in everlasting love.

L: We trust in God, who blesses all the families of the earth and makes us heirs with Christ to the covenant.

P: We trust in God, who like a mother will not forsake her nursing child.

L: We trust in God, who like a father runs to welcome the prodigal home.

P: We trust in God, who loves us and remains faithful to us.

We Read and Proclaim God's Word

Time with Our Children:

Game: Scrabble

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 1:1-31 (*selected verses; OT, pp.1-2*)

*Hymn: "Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet"

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Gospel Lesson: John 1:1-5, 14

(*NT, pp.91-92*)

Hymn of Preparation: "Listen to the Word that God Has Spoken"

Listen to the Word that God has spoken;
Listen to the One who is close at hand;
Listen to the voice that began creation;
Listen even if you don't understand.

Sermon: "Words on the Cross"

Rev. Eliza C. Jaremko

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory: "One Day at a Time" *by Marijohn Wilkin & Kris Kristofferson*
Fred Heuser (Guitar) & Margaret Westfield (vocals)

*Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Alleluia, Alleluia
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People / The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as
we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.
Amen.

We Go to Live God's Word

*Sending Hymn: "O Word of God Incarnate"

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Benediction (unison)

**May the Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent
one from the other.**

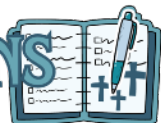
L: Our worship together has ended.

P: Now our service begins.

Postlude



PRAYER CONCERNS



Please keep these people in your prayers this week:

- Adin Borden
- Sally Burrough
- Nancy & Bob Celebre
- Donna & John Duca
- Joe & Marie Guerra
- Sandy Langford
- Pat Masi
- Evelyn Miraglia
- Carmen Muni
- Lois Noyes
- Shirley Renshaw
- Dottie Rheinbold
- Michael Sabolcik
- Ken Sichel
- Lynn & Tom Spina
- Deborah Blackiston,
Harlan Blackiston's wife
- Lauren DeCorte, Sue Hawco's daughter
- Marlowe Muni, Kim & Carmen's grandson
- Harriet, friend of the Spinass
- Steve, friend of Tony Logandro
- Patricia Sheffler, former CPC member
- Anne Winch, Dawson Winch's sister
- Bonnie Scribner, Wayne Scribner's wife
- The Berkelbach family, Karen Mazak's daughter & son-in-law
- Meegan Hussain, friend of the Heusers
- Carol & Dick Boyle, sister & brother-in-law of Candace Lowden
- Barb Maylath, former CPC member
- Rev. Daniel Park, friend of the Heusers
- Jack Holland, 5 year-old son of friends of the Andrews
- Will Baberick, Polly Mitchell's son
- Anna Fogerty, granddaughter of the Wilk's

pray without ceasing
1 Thessalonians 5:17



Deacons

Janice Perry
Ellie Wyckoff

Nursery

Kam Evans
Maria Masi

LiveStream

Korey Owens
Erin Gallagher

Counters

Cheryl Hauske
George Newnam



THIS WEEK @ FIRST PRES...

Sunday, August 10

9:30am - Worship (Sanctuary & on FB)

Monday, August 11

Mary Johnson (Admin) out of the office

Tuesday, August 12

Mary Johnson - afternoon hours only

Wednesday, Aug 13

11:00am - Adult Bible Study, Zoom

7:00pm - Session Meeting, Parlor

2025-2026 Church Directory

Coming in September!

Please check your contact info in our current church directory and contact the office if anything needs to be corrected or updated!



Scripture Verses for Today's Service

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 1:1-31 (NRSV)

Six Days of Creation and the Sabbath

¹ When God began to create the heavens and the earth, ² the earth was complete chaos, and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. ³ Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. ⁴ And God saw that the light was good, and God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵ God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶ And God said, “Let there be a dome in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters.” ⁷ So God made the dome and separated the waters that were under the dome from the waters that were above the dome. And it was so. ⁸ God called the dome Sky. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹ And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. ¹⁰ God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. ¹¹ Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. ¹² The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. ¹³ And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴ And God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. ¹⁶ God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷ God set them in the dome of the sky to give light upon the earth, ¹⁸ to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹ And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰ And God said, “Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.” ²¹ So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

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²² God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” ²³ And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴ And God said, “Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.” And it was so. ²⁵ God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind and the cattle of every kind and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶ Then God said, “Let us make humans in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.”

²⁷ So God created humans in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” ²⁹ God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. ³⁰ And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. ³¹ God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Gospel Lesson: John 1:1-5; 14 (NRSV)

The Word Became Flesh

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴ in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.

¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father’s only son, full of grace and truth.

Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet 458

Refrain

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is accompanied by guitar chords indicated above the staff. The lyrics are written below the staff.

Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my
 path. Thy word is a lamp un-to my feet and a
 light un-to my path. When I feel a-fraid, and I
 think I've lost my way, still you're there right be - side me.
 Noth-ing will I fear as long as you are near.
 Please be near me to the end.

Chords: G, D/F#, G, C, D7, G, C, D, G, D/F#, G, C, D7, G, Em, Bm, C, D, C, G, D, Am, Em, Bm, C, D, E, Dsus, D7 to Refrain.

The refrain of this 20th-century song is a quotation of Psalm 119:105 in the King James Version. That longest of all psalms celebrates the gift of God's law by accumulating many synonyms for it. In Christian practice, this verse has been used to give thanks for all Scripture.

TEXT: Amy Grant, 1984

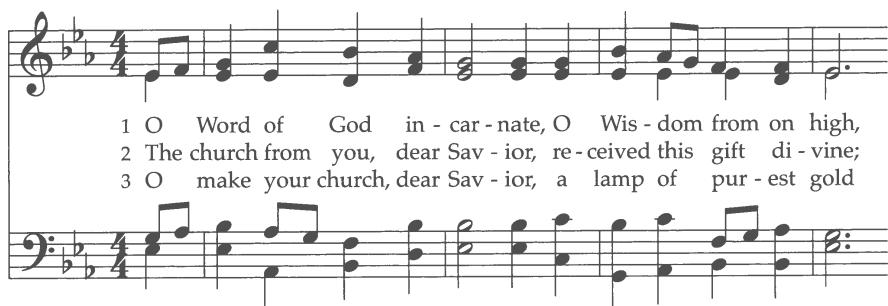
MUSIC: Michael W. Smith, 1984; arr. John Sharber

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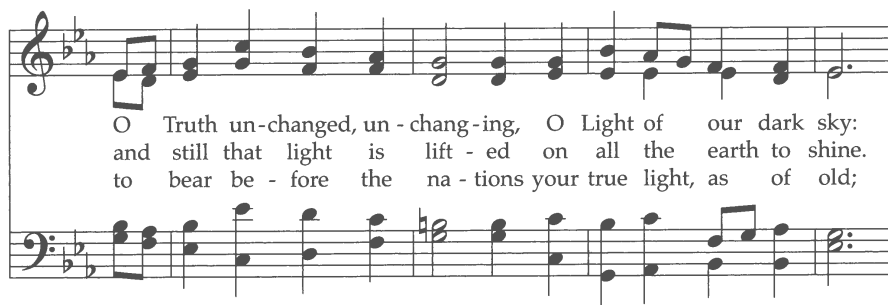
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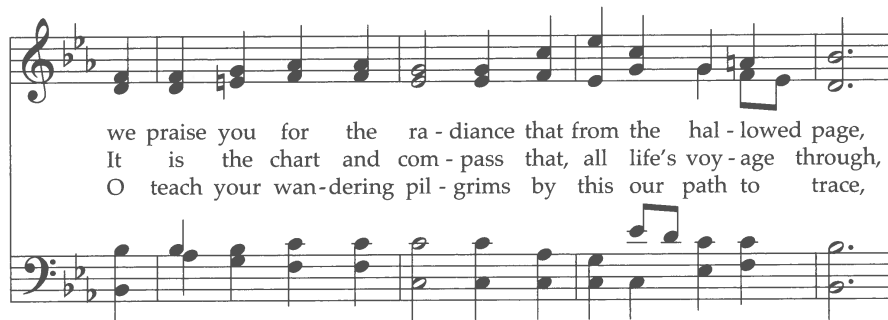
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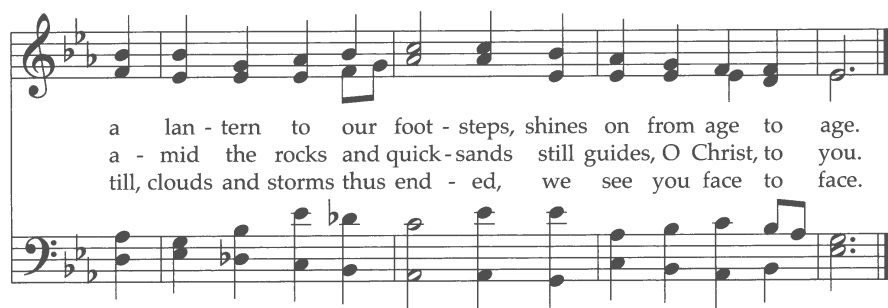
1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
 2 The church from you, dear Sav - ior, re - ceived this gift di - vine;
 3 O make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
 and still that light is lift - ed on all the earth to shine.
 to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;



we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
 It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,
 O teach your wan - dering pil - grims by this our path to trace,



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
 a - mid the rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.
 till, clouds and storms thus end - ed, we see you face to face.

The opening four lines of this hymn celebrate attributes of Christ that are revealed through holy Scripture, which serves as a lantern, a chart, and a compass for the church in seeking to know Christ better. The setting of the tune comes from Felix Mendelssohn's *Elijah*.

Church Announcements



Bathroom Renovations Underway!

The first floor bathrooms (near the Green St. entrance) are coming along! The construction is anticipated to continue until the end of the summer. Please use the Parlor bathroom during the renovation process. Pictures of the renovation progress are in your e-News!



Building / Facility Use Requests Now Online!

Do you need to submit a request to use the church building for your next concert or gathering, but you can't locate a form? You can now fill out & submit your form online on our website. Access the online form here: <https://fpchaddonheights.org/online-forms/building-use-request/>, or scan the QR code on the right.



Updates to our Memorial Garden

Our Memorial Garden has reached it's completion with the installation of the irrigation system and the beautiful memorial bench. The bench was donated by Karen Mazak's late father, Tony, in memory of his beloved wife, and Karen's mother, Violet. Many thanks to our

Trustees and Candace Lowden for coordinating all the contractors, dates, and meetings to help us arrive at this beautiful space for our congregants & community.

Summer Celebration at IHOC's Serenity House

All are invited to IHOC's Summer Celebration at their newly renovated Serenity House located at 802 Station Avenue in Haddon Heights.

Sunday, August 17 — 2:00–6:00 PM

- ✓ Catered Picnic Barbecue
- ✓ Steel Drum Band
- ✓ Lawn Games
- ✓ ... and plenty of fun!



Please RSVP by August 9 via text message to 856-906-7890.

SAVE THE DATE!

Deacons' Famous Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, September 7 | 9:30 AM



 Coffee & pancakes at 9:30am

Worship at 10:30am 
in the Social Hall 



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Summer Sermon Series

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Games begin July 13!

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