



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 17, 2025

Tenth 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.**



All hymns today are in the **RED Hymnal**,
The Worshipping Church, unless otherwise noted.



*The Chancel flowers today are given by Marci Spiegle
in loving memory of Miriam & John Spiegle.*



Welcome & Announcements

Joys & Concerns

Prelude

Mike Rugge, Organist

We Come Into God's Presence

Call to Worship (L—Leader / P—People)

Psalm 27

L: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

P: Of whom shall I fear?

L: The Lord is the stronghold of my life.

P: Of whom shall I be afraid?

L: One thing I ask of the Lord, that I will seek after:

P: To live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

L: To behold the beauty of the Lord,

P: And to inquire in his temple.

L: Let us worship God.

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY SUMMER WORSHIP @ 9:30AM
28 Seventh Avenue, Haddon Heights, NJ 08035
(856) 547-6139 † www.fpchaddonheights.org

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)

Gracious and loving God, you made us for good, but we have not been good. You have forgiven us, but we have not forgiven others. You have loved us, but we have not loved others, and we have not loved ourselves. Take pity on us and forgive us. Help us to love through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

L: Brothers & Sisters, God is building a new heaven and a new earth.

P: The former things will not be remembered or come to mind.

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

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

*Affirmation of Faith:

Confession of Belhar

L: We believe in one God, Father Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and nourishes the Church from the beginning of the world to the end.

P: The Church is holy; the Church is universal; it is the fellowship of God's children, called together from the whole of humanity to proclaim God's wonderful deeds.

L: We believe that the reconciling work of Christ gives birth to a uniting Church, because Church unity is a gift from God and a goal we need to strive for.

P: The unity of the Church must become visible so that the people around us can see how separation and hatred are overcome in Christ.

We Read and Proclaim God's Word

Time with Our Children:

Game: Jenga

New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 2:14-22

(In your bulletin)

(from The Message Bible)

*Hymn: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

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Second Scripture Lesson: Genesis 11:1-9

(OT, p.9)

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: "Stack Up the Stories"

Rev. Eliza C. Jaremko

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory: "In the Garden"

by C. Austin Miles (#242)

Pamela Myers (Vocals) & Mike Rugge (Piano)

*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: "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

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Benediction (unison)

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

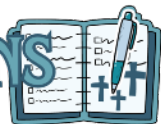
L: Our worship together has ended.

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
- Will Baberick, Polly Mitchell's son
- Anna Fogerty, granddaughter of the Wilk's

pray without ceasing
1 Thessalonians 5:17



Deacons

Tom Clarke
Janice Perry

Nursery

Abby Burrough
Maria Masi

LiveStream

Korey Owens
Erin Gallagher

Counters

Cheryl Hauske
Tony Masi



THIS WEEK @ FIRST PRES...

Sunday, August 17

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

Wednesday, Aug 20

11:00am - Adult Bible Study, Zoom

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

New Testament Lesson: Ephesians 2:14-22 (The Message)

He Tore Down the Wall

¹⁴⁻¹⁵ The Messiah has made things up between us so that we're now together on this, both non-Jewish outsiders and Jewish insiders. He tore down the wall we used to keep each other at a distance. He repealed the law code that had become so clogged with fine print and footnotes that it hindered more than it helped. Then he started over. Instead of continuing with two groups of people separated by centuries of animosity and suspicion, he created a new kind of human being, a fresh start for everybody.

¹⁶⁻¹⁸ Christ brought us together through his death on the cross. The Cross got us to embrace, and that was the end of the hostility. Christ came and preached peace to you outsiders and peace to us insiders. He treated us as equals, and so made us equals. Through him we both share the same Spirit and have equal access to the Father.

¹⁹⁻²² That's plain enough, isn't it? You're no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You *belong* here, with as much right to the name Christian as anyone. God is building a home. He's using us all—irrespective of how we got here—in what he is building. He used the apostles and prophets for the foundation. Now he's using you, fitting you in brick by brick, stone by stone, with Christ Jesus as the cornerstone that holds all the parts together. We see it taking shape day after day—a holy temple built by God, all of us built into it, a temple in which God is quite at home.

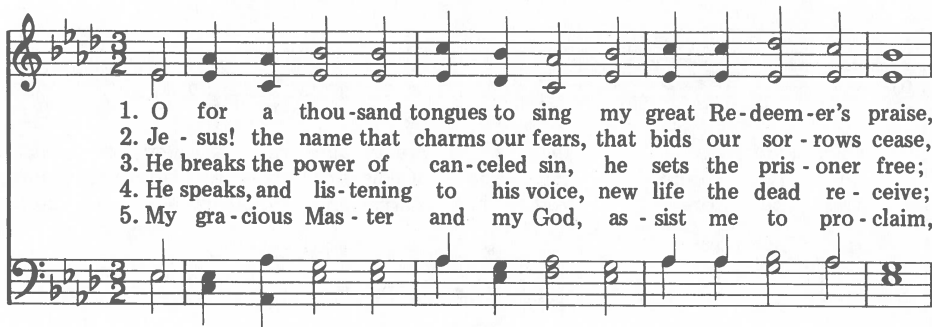
Second Scripture Lesson: Genesis 11:1-9 (NRSV)

The Tower of Babel

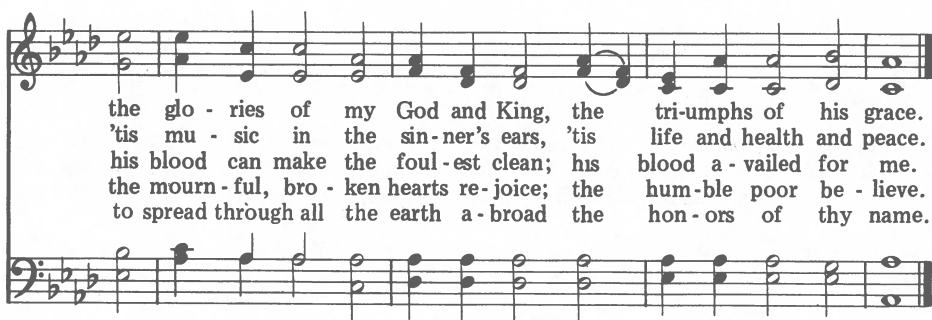
¹ Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. ² And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. ³ And they said to one another, “Come, let us make bricks and fire them thoroughly.” And they had brick for stone and bitumen for mortar. ⁴ Then they said, “Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.” ⁵ The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. ⁶ And the Lord said, “Look, they are one people, and they have all one language, and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. ⁷ Come, let us go down and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another’s speech.” ⁸ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. ⁹ Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth, and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 130

My tongue will speak of your righteousness and of your praises all day long. Ps. 35:28



1. O for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem-er's praise,
2. Je - sus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sor - rows cease,
3. He breaks the power of can-celed sin, he sets the pris - on-er free;
4. He speaks, and lis-tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive;
5. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim,



the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri-umphs of his grace.
'tis mu - sic in the sin-ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
his blood can make the foul-est clean; his blood a - vailed for me.
the mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re-joice; the hum-ble poor be - lieve.
to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739

MUSIC: Carl G. Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839

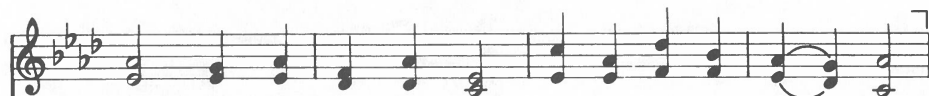
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Come, Christians, Join to Sing 108

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord. Ps. 95:1



1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!



Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good-ness we'll a - dore,



praise is his gra-cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"



WORDS: Christian H. Bateman, 1843

MUSIC: Traditional Spanish melody; arr. David Evans, 1927

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Church Announcements



Budget Committee Needs a Few Good Men & Women



Although the budget planning process won't start until late summer, it's always nice to know ahead of time who will be willing to serve on the committee. There will be at most two meetings with any other business done via email, and the entire process is short and sweet. You don't have to be a financial whiz to qualify! It is important to have voices from the congregation and their perspectives on our spending. If you are interested, please let Leslie Clark know.

Sunday School Volunteers Needed Soon!

We are not trying to rush these last summer days, but we *are* excited about our first day of Sunday School for the new year on **September 14!** We just know that this is the first set of commitments & plans you would like to make before your calendar fills!



Your leadership as a Sunday School volunteer is so very important to our children and to our church! This year we will have three levels of classes: PK-2nd grade; 3rd-5th grade; and 6th-7th grade. If there is a way for you to commit to 2, 3, or 4 consecutive weeks, the consistency is great for our children. But a single week helps, too! Class will start at 9:30 and end at 10:20. Our theme is "Superheroes for God!" — all assistance, curriculum, and snacks are prepared for you!



We hope that you are able to guide our children this year! Sign up by scanning the QR code here or click the link in your weekly e-News.

With appreciation,

Judy Wilson & the CE Committee



New Member Informational Meeting

Are you interested in learning more about membership at FPCHH? Pastor Eliza is holding an informational meeting about membership in the Presbyterian Church on **Sunday, September 28**, after worship in her study.

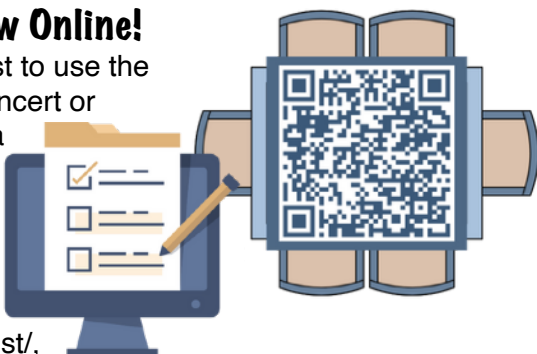
Please let her know if you are interested by contacting the office or reaching out to her privately.

Building 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.



Bathroom Renovations Underway!



The first floor bathrooms are coming along and look beautiful! Also, the **new** second floor bathroom (yes, you read that correctly!) has begun construction. Check your weekly e-News for pictures of the progress. *Please use the Parlor bathroom during the renovation process.*



FOOD
pantry

AUGUST
Collection:
**Peanut
Butter &
Jelly!**



**9:30
AM**

**SUMMER
WORSHIP**

**JUN 29
THROUGH
AUG 31**

**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**



King David, on the Roof, with the Army >>> **W** **O** **n the** **C** **R** **O** **S** >>> **Stack UP the Stories** >>> **Faith on Board** **BIBLE MASTER'S EDITION**

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Faith's SWEET Adventures **July 20**

your LIFE **God's way** **JULY 13**

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