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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 2, 2025 21st 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 All hymns today are in the RED Hymnal,
The Worshiping Church, unless otherwise noted.

The Chancel flowers today are given by Janice Perry in loving memory of her aunt Leila Culbertson, on her birthday.



Welcome & Announcements

Minute for Mission: Stewardship Jenni Maienza

Joys & Concerns

Prelude: "How Great Is Our God & How Great Thou Art"

arr. Peggy Bettcher; Dr. Chris Thomas, Director of Music

We Come Into God's Presence

Call to Worship (L-Leader / P-People) Psalm 139/1 Samuel 3:9

A L: The Lord has searched us and known us.

P: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

L: You know when we sit down and when we rise up.

P: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

C L: You discern our thoughts from far away.

H P: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

L: You search out our paths.

P: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

R L: Let us worship God!

*Opening Hymn: "He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought"

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30AM
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)

Holy God, you see us as children of your constant care. Yet, we confess that we have neither heard your word nor followed your will. We have hurt our nation, neighbors, families, friends, and ourselves. Yet we know that your Spirit heals the wounds in our lives and empowers us to heal the life of our communities. Empower us by your Spirit, O God, to be people who live out our baptism. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

L: God knows the hearts of those who seek forgiveness.

P: By faith, we are saved by God's grace.

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

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

*Affirmation of Faith:

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead:

he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church. the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

We Read and Proclaim God's Word

Time with Our Children

Dr. Chris Thomas, Director of Music Calvin Choir

First Scripture Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (OT, p.247)

*Hymn: "Open My Eyes, That I May See" #557

Second Scripture Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:11-21 (OT, p.247)

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.

We Respond to God's Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory: "Let Us Break Bread Together"

arr. Brian Hanson

Chancel Choir

*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



Please note that all bread provided for the Eucharist is gluten-free.

Holy Communion

L: The Lord be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

P: We lift them up to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

P: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Communion

Prayer After Communion

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever. Hear us as we pray together the prayer that Christ taught us,

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

*Closing Hymn: "Great God, Your Love Has Called Us"

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Benediction (unison)

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

Choral Response

L: Our worship together has ended.

P: Now our service begins.

Postlude

Mike Rugge, Organist



Please keep these people in your prayers this week:

- Adin Borden
- Sally Burrough
- Nancy & Bob Celebre
- Donna & John Duca
- Joe & Marie Guerra
- Sandy Langford
- Evelyn Miraglia
- Carmen Muni
- Shirley Renshaw
- Dottie Rheinbold
- Michael Sabolcik
- Ken Sichel
- Lynn & Tom Spina

- Fd Trout
- Deborah Blackiston
- Lauren DeCorte, Sue Hawco's daughter
- Marlowe Muni, Kim & Carmen's grandson
- Steve, friend of Tony Logandro
- 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
- Rev. Daniel Park, friend of the Heusers
- Will Baberick, Polly Mitchell's son





Greeters Ellie & Hal Wyckoff

Deacons Ro Hudson Suzanne Lange Daniel Mullan

LiveStream

Korey Owens Erin Gallagher

Counters

Leslie Clark Tony Masi Carmen Muni

Nursery Kam Evans Maria Masi

SS: Adults Class-led Room 2

Pastor Eliza Nursery

Faith-Walk Class

Communion Sharon Cole Hal Wyckoff

SS: PreK-Grade 2

Pam Myers Room 3

SS: Grades 3-5

Ellie Wyckoff Room 7

SS: Grades 6-8

tbd Room 6

Scripture Verses for Today's Service

First Scripture Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (NRSV)

Samuel's Calling and Prophetic Activity

¹ Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

² At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³ the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" ⁵ and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. ⁶ The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." ⁷ Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. ⁸ The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. ⁹ Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

¹⁰ Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Second Scripture Lesson: 1 Samuel 3:11-21 (NRSV)

¹¹ Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. ¹² On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. ¹³ For I have told him that I am about to punish his house forever for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. ¹⁴ Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering forever."

¹⁵ Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the Lord. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶ But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." He said, "Here I am." ¹⁷ Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." ¹⁸ So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, "It is the Lord; let him do what seems good to him."

¹⁹ As Samuel grew up, the Lord was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰ And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the Lord. ²¹ The Lord continued to appear at Shiloh, for the Lord revealed himself to Samuel at Shiloh by the word of the Lord.

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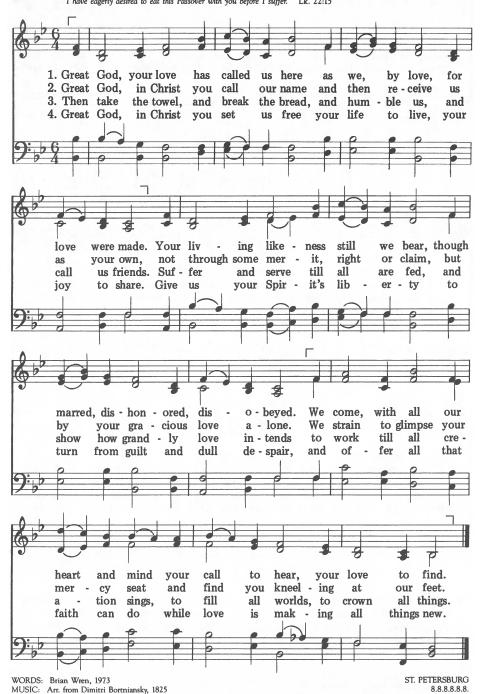
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Open My Eyes, That I May See 557

Open my eyes that I may see wonderful things in your law. Ps. 119:18



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Church Announcements



Sunday, Nov. 2

9:00am - Calvins Rehearsal

9:30am - Sunday School for ALL Ages

9:30am - Bells Rehearsal

10:10am - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:30am - Worship in Sanctuary & on FB

11:30am - Care & Memb. Meeting, Rm. 2

11:30am - Membership Meeting, Pastor Eliza's Study

Monday - Thursday

Pastor Eliza on Vacation

THIS WEEK @ FIRST PRES.

Tuesday - Thursday

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Pastor Eliza & Mary on vacation

Thursday, Nov. 6

6:45pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm - Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Fri. & Sat., Nov. 7-8

8:00pm - VP's "Showplace" @ FPCHH

Welcome, Rev. Kathleen Dain

Please help us welcome Rev. Kathy Dain who will be presenting our sermon today. Kathleen (Kathy) Dain is an ordained minister within the Presbyterian Church (USA) and the Church of Scotland. She has served several congregations in the U.S. and internationally as an interim/transformational minister helping

congregation's rediscover their missional heritage. Her journey to ministry was featured in a 2013 Wall Street Journal article entitled, "Leap of Faith." Presently, Kathy serves as the Transitional Executive Presbyter for Southern New Jersey. Kathy holds a BA in broadcast journalism from Central Michigan University, and Master of Divinity from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. She also has certificates in CEO Leadership, Conflict Mediation, and Interim Ministry Training. In her spare time, Kathy enjoys photography, kayaking, and walking her miniature Schnauzer, Chance. She is a semi-retired private pilot, whose last great adventure was co-piloting an experimental aircraft over the Highlands of Scotland!





Pastor Eliza will be out of the office from Monday, November 3 through Sunday, November 9.

Rev. Philip Oehler from Woodbury Presbyterian Church will the pastor on call while Pastor Eliza is away. Please contact Sharon Cole, Elder, for any pastoral emergencies.

Please Note! The Church office will be **CLOSED from Tuesday, November 4** through Thursday, November 6, while Pastor Eliza & Mary are out of the office.



Mary Johnson will be on vacation from Tuesday, November 4 through Thursday, November 13. Office hours may fluctuate during this time.

2026 Stewardship Campaign

Stewardship season has begun, and It's a Wonderful Life! This year our Stewardship committee asked, what kind of angel are you? There are so many stories of the 'angels' in our church that guietly stepped in to help

someone in need ... each of us has experienced this God-sent help, and likely have provided the same for others. Your pledge contributes to the work of this church in countless ways — it's not just money; it's a



blessing on our church. Please be an angel and pledge now, so we can plan for next year. Pledges can be submitted online (scan the QR code) or using the pledge cards located in the narthex. Your prayerful consideration toward your pledge is greatly appreciated!

"Unmentionables" Need Your SUPPORT!

Don't forget about the "Unmentionables"! In 2008, Bra Recyclers realized bras weren't being donated but also that they often ended up in landfills. Bra Recyclers helps provide shelters and high schools with these needed garments. Throughout October & November, look

through your "unmentionables" drawer and place any no longer used bras (any style, any size) in the bin in the parlor. The organization also collects new ladies' undies, which can be placed in the bin as well. You



can also donate to help us purchase these items for the group — just place your donations in the offering plate (checks payable to FPCHH & clearly marked UNMENTIONABLES) or donate on our PayPal site using the QR code & selecting Unmentionables in the dropdown list. Contact Jenni Maienza with any guestions!

Did You Hear What I Hear?

Many of us appreciate, and are inspired by, Pastor Eliza's sermons. We nod in agreement, chuckle and sometimes outright laugh, & silently give thanks to God for what we are hearing. But this doesn't apply to all us. For some, hearing the sermons, and yes, even the whole service, is difficult even when the sound system and Eliza's



voice are clear and can be heard by many. In the past, we have had hearing assist devices for those who had trouble hearing. Unfortunately, they were found to be incompatible with the new sound system. As a substitute to our hearing assist devices, beginning November 16, copies of Pastor Eliza's sermons will be available at the sanctuary doors each week ... just ask the Deacon on duty if you would like one. (Please note: Pastor Eliza will be preaching from the sermon copy available, but she occasionally goes 'off script.' We hope that having copies of the sermon available will allow everyone to "hear" the sermon. Thanks be to God!

Spectacular Advent Workshop!

On **Sunday, December 7**, immediately following the worship service, we invite everyone to join us for a festive lunch together in the Social Hall. Due to it's popularity last year, we'll be serving soup



and salad, and we encourage everyone to start digging up your favorite recipes to share your soups or salads with your fellow attendees.



Following lunch, the children will be able to visit our many different stations including fun crafts, games, our Christmas Shop (where they can pick out small gifts for their parents and siblings), and a special one-on-one visit with Santa (now one of the stations, rather than an end-of-day event!). While the children are rotating through their stations, interested adults can return to the

sanctuary to sing Christmas Carols with our talented vocalists and musicians. Please sign up on the poster in the parlor if you plan to attend (coming soon!), or simply call or email the church office, so we can plan for the number of attendees. This will be a wonderful day of good food, fellowship, music, and joy as we prepare to celebrate our Savior's birth ... you don't want to miss it!



November Collection:

Stuffing Mix & Instant Potatoes

Sunday School Needs & Update

SS Need: Our Sunday School program could use a **mini-fridge** for the second floor. If anyone has one from a recent college dorm, apartment, or garage clean-out, we would appreciate having it! Please let Judy Wilson know.

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SS Volunteers: We are deeply grateful for the many wonderful Sunday School teachers who have been leading our children this fall! There are a few opportunities for you to have the great experience of sharing God's word with our young ones between now and Christmas. Give it a try! Looking beyond

the holidays, you will definitely want meaningful things to fill your January and February days! As always, you can sign up on the board in the Parlor, by scanning the QR code here, or clicking the link in your weekly e-News. Thank you!

Village Playbox On Stage This Week!

The Village Playbox is gearing up for their featured fall performance, the area premier of an original musical, *Showplace—The story of Steel Pier* (book, music & lyrics by Rob Kristie; directed by John Blackwell).



This is a chronological musical story of the unique venue known as Steel Pier of Atlantic City, NJ. It blends both fictional and nonfictional characters along with historical data of this phenomenal showplace. It covers the Steel Pier history from 1925 to 1977. You'll feel like you are there!



Dates: November 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 & 22 @ 8PM

November 9 & 16 at 3:00PM

Tickets: \$24.00 (\$2 discount for online tickets)

Seniors/Students: \$21.00 Child Under 12: \$12.00 Visit http://villageplaybox.org/



First Pres SAVE the YOUTH GROUP DATE(S)!



Hayride & Bonfire Social Outing

All FPC teens in grades 6-12 are invited to join our Youth Group at Springdale Farms for a fall Hayride & Bonfire outing on **Friday, November 16, at 4:41pm** (not a typo!). Come join us to capture the fall weather together! The price is \$20/person and you can register by scanning the QR code here.



Youth Group MobilePack Service Project

Our Youth Group has <u>25 spots</u> reserved for the annual *Feed My Starving Children (FMSC)* food-packing event at Haddonfield Middle

School on Saturday, November 22 from 12:00 to 2:00pm.

Join us and other volunteers to help pack life-saving meals for those suffering from food insecurity. Scan the QR code here to register (or click on the link in your e-News). All youth, church members, friends and families are welcome to join in! Contact Laura Masi if you have any questions.



Youth Group Summer Mission Trip

FPCHH Youth Group is liaising with FPC Haddonfield and Trinity Pres (Cherry Hill) to bring more opportunities for service & social activities to our youth. Along those lines, Haddonfield Pres is hosting a Summer Youth Mission Trip in 2026 — they have currently filled all 50 spots, but they are opening up 4-5 additional spots for our youth (plus 2-3 adults). If you're interested, **please let Laura Masi know ASAP.** We also learned that we can use funds from the Ella B. Chase fund (received from Collingswood Pres) to cover 50% of your cost, bringing the total to \$300pp! Details are:

When: June 21-27, 2026 Where: West Virginia

Who: Rising 9th graders-12th graders

(including 2026 graduates)

Cost: \$300/person + add'l expenses
Scan the QR code for registration info or visit
https://asphome.org/about/ to learn more about the

Appalachia Service Project organization.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA ORDERS

The Music & Worship Committee invites you to honor or remember a loved one this Christmas by dedicating a poinsettia in their name.

We'll be ordering Jingle Bell Poinsettias from Huffman Farms, which will grace the front of the sanctuary on December 21 - 28. If you would like to take a poinsettia home, feel free to take one after our Christmas Eve service (or by December 28). The poinsettia dedications will be listed in the bulletins on Sunday, December 21, and on Wednesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve).

There is a suggested donation of \$5.00 (regardless of how many dedications you request) to help cover the cost of the plants. Please fill out the form below and return it with your (optional) payment by SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7. You can place it in the collection plate or mail it to the church office. Please write "Poinsettias" on your check or envelope.

(Order form on the next page.)



Please submit all dedications by **Sunday, December 7.**

Thank you for printing all names CLEARLY!

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