



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 26, 2025

20th 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 Worshiping Church***, unless otherwise noted.



*The Chancel flowers today are given by Fred & Lorrie Heuser
in memory of their loved ones.*



Welcome & Announcements

Joys & Concerns

Prelude

Mike Rugge, Organist

We Come Into God's Presence

Call to Worship (L—Leader / P—People)

L: Sing to the Lord a new song.

P: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

L: Bless the Lord's name. Tell of God's salvation from day to day.

P: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.

L: O Families of God, ascribe glory and strength to the Lord.

P: We worship the Lord in holy splendor.

L: Let us worship God!

*Gathering Hymn: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP @ 10:30AM

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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)

John Calvin, 1509-1564

Almighty and gracious God, since our whole salvation stands in our knowledge of your holy word, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, that our hearts may be freed from the chains of sin, so that we may hear and receive your word, recognizing your gracious will for us. Teach us by scripture to love and serve you with delight, praising and glorifying you in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

L: Sisters and Brothers, God is doing a new thing.

P: Now it springs forth and we give thanks.

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

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Gloria Patri

***Affirmation of Faith:**

Confession of 1967

P: In Christ's reconciling work on the cross, the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to all people, moves them to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience, and initiates the new life in Christ.

L: The new life takes shape in a community in which all people know that God loves and accepts them in spite of what they are.

P: All people therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.

We Read and Proclaim God's Word

Time with Our Children

Chancel Choir Anthem: "Gather With the Saints" *by Larry Shackley*
Dr. Chris Thomas, Director of Music

First Scripture Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-6

(OT, p.806)

*Hymn: "Dem Dry Bones"

Insert

Second Scripture Lesson: Ezekiel 37:7-14

(OT, p.806)

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: “God’s Justice League: Dem Bones” *Rev. Eliza C. Jaremko*

We Respond to God’s Word

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

*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

*Worship today will conclude outside in the Memorial Garden,
with the Dedication of the Memorial Garden
and the Service of Remembrance for All Saints Day.
(Please see your bulletin insert for the Dedication & Litany.)*

Memorial Garden Dedication

(Insert)

All Saints Day Service of Remembrance

Litany for the Saints

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*Closing Hymn: “In the Garden”

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Benediction (unison)

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

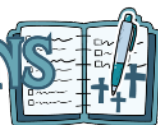
L: Our worship together has ended.

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
- Evelyn Miraglia
- Carmen Muni
- Shirley Renshaw
- Dottie Rheinbold
- Michael Sabolcik
- Ken Sichel
- Lynn & Tom Spina
- Ed Trout
- Deborah Blackiston
- Lauren DeCorte, Sue Hawco's daughter
- Marlowe Muni, Kim & Carmen's grandson
- Steve, friend of Tony Logandro
- Patricia Sheffler, former CPC member
- 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
- Anna Fogerty, granddaughter of the Wilk's

pray without ceasing

1 Thessalonians 5:17



Greeters

Judy Wilson

Deacons

Tom Clarke
Kate Colantonio
Fred Heuser

LiveStream

Korey Owens
Erin Gallagher

Counters

Al Andrews
Sharon Cole
Chuck Maienza

Nursery

Kam Evans
Maria Masi

SS: Adults

Class-led
Room 2

Faith-Walk Class

Pastor Eliza
Nursery

SS: PreK-2nd

Melissa Corso
Room 3

SS: Grades 3-5

Patti Pawling
Room 7

SS: Grades 6-8

Rick Clark
Room 6



Sunday, October 26

9:00am - Calvins & Cherubs Rehearsal
9:30am - Sunday School for ALL Ages
10:10am - Chancel Choir Rehearsal
10:30am - Worship in Sanctuary & on FB

Wednesday, Oct. 29

9:00am - Men's Breakfast, Parlor
11:00am - Adult Bible Study, Zoom

THIS WEEK @ FIRST PRES...

Thursday, Oct. 30

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

Friday, Oct. 31

Happy Halloween!!
3-5pm - Trick-or-Treating - help us
hand out treats to our local kids!



Scripture Verses for Today's Service

First Scripture Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-6 (NRSV)

The Valley of Dry Bones

¹ The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ² He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³ He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." ⁴ Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. ⁵ Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶ I will lay sinews on you and will cause flesh to come upon you and cover you with skin and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord."

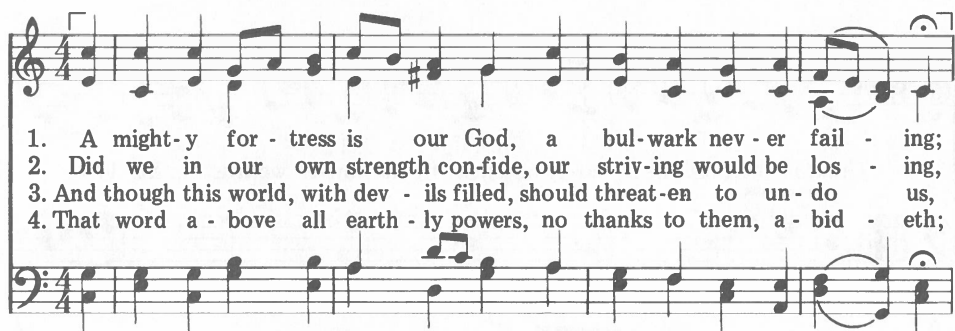
Second Scripture Lesson: Ezekiel 37:7-14 (NRSV)

⁷ So I prophesied as I had been commanded, and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸ I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them, but there was no breath in them. ⁹ Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰ I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

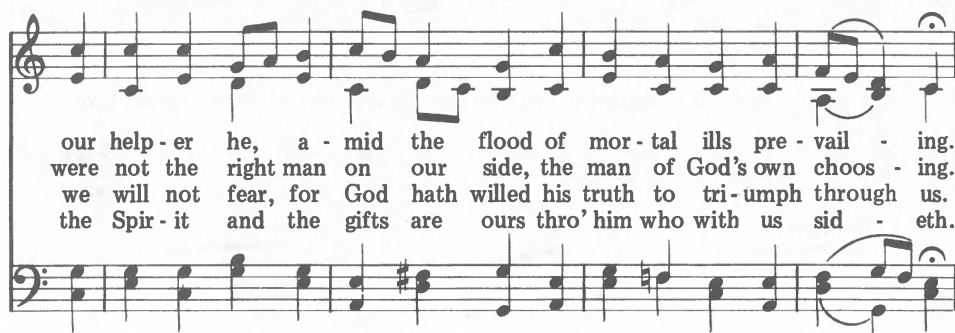
¹¹ Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' ¹² Therefore prophesy and say to them: Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people, and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³ And you shall know that I am the Lord when I open your graves and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴ I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act, says the Lord."

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God 43

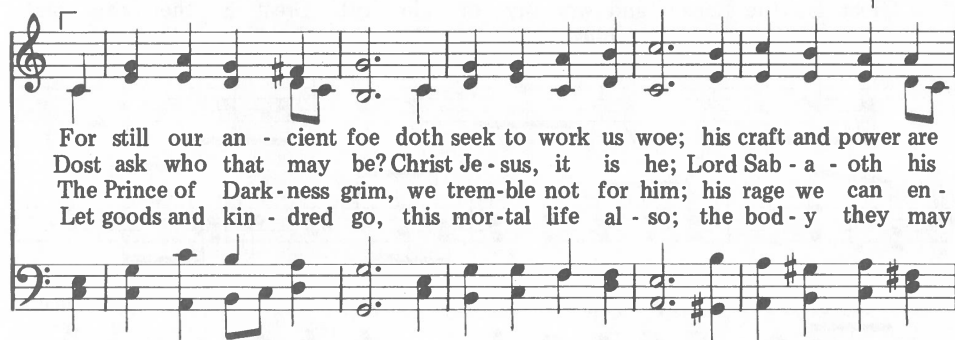
God is our refuge and strength. Ps. 46:1



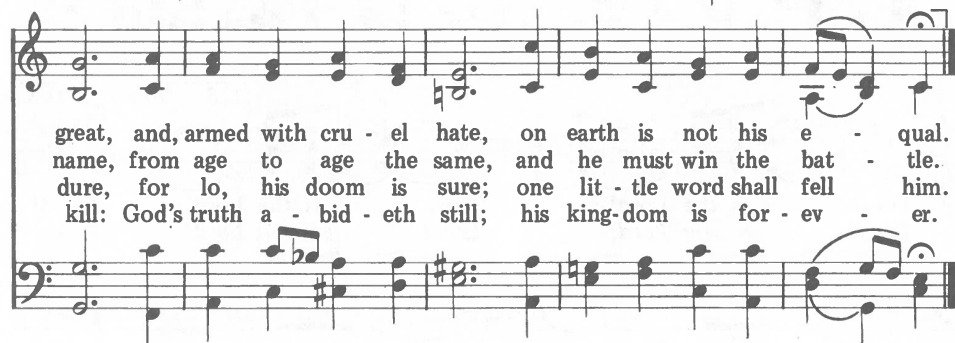
1. A might-y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev - er fail - ing;
 2. Did we in our own strength con-fide, our striv-ing would be los - ing,
 3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat-en to un-do us,
 4. That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a - bid - eth;



our help - er he, a - mid the flood of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.
 were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choos - ing.
 we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to tri - umph through us.
 the Spir - it and the gifts are ours thro' him who with us sid - eth.



For still our an - cient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are
 Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is he; Lord Sab - a - oth his
 The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en -
 Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may



great, and, armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 name, from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 dure, for lo, his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 kill: God's truth a - bid - eth still; his king - dom is for - ev - er.

DRY BONES



Ezekiel cried, "Dem dry bones!"
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"Oh, hear the word of the Lord."



The toe bone connected to the heel bone,
The heel bone connected to the foot bone,
The foot bone connected to the leg bone,
The leg bone connected to the knee bone,
The knee bone connected to the thigh bone,
The thigh bone connected to the back bone,
The back bone connected to the neck bone,
The neck bone connected to the head bone,
Oh, hear the word of the Lord!

Dem bones, dem bones gonna walk aroun'
Dem bones, dem bones, gonna walk aroun'
Dem bones, dem bones, gonna walk aroun'
Oh, hear the word of the Lord.

The head bone connected to the neck bone,
The neck bone connected to the back bone,
The back bone connected to the thigh bone,
The thigh bone connected to the knee bone,
The knee bone connected to the leg bone,
The leg bone connected to the foot bone,
The foot bone connected to the heel bone,
The heel bone connected to the toe bone,
Oh, hear the word of the Lord!



All Saints Day Service of Remembrance & Dedication of the Memorial Garden

Memorial Garden Dedication

L: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of Hosts.

P: God of all eternity, we dedicate this Memorial Garden to your glory.

L: We dedicate this garden in joyful celebration of the lives of your people who have found their rest in you at the end of their service in the earthly church.

P: May their witness continue in this place.

L: May those who come here to remember and pray also find their rest in Jesus Christ.

P: May all who come to this garden know the promise of a home prepared by Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

L: Trusting in Jesus Christ, we dedicate this Memorial Garden in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

P: As we dedicate this place of prayerful rest, we rededicate our lives to the service of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honor and glory now and forever. Amen.

Prayer

Holy Spirit, living within us, guide our hearts and minds to be a place of welcome as we come into this space of worship. God, let this be a place of love and acceptance of all your children. May the roots of this garden grow deep in the soil, as the church families of Collingswood Presbyterian Church and First Presbyterian Church, Haddon Heights, come together as one church, with deep roots in You. Remind us of the saints of our congregations, who are represented in brick and live on in your eternity and in our hearts. Holy God, surround us with your saints today – working in your service for those in need. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

All Saints Day of Remembrance

Litany for the Saints

L: Before you, O God, we remember today the ones who went before us, not held back by the awesomeness of the task. They followed you with tenacity and joy.

P: Like a cloud of many witnesses, they stand around us.

L: Full of courage and trust they went to new places, ready to stand and suffer with you.

P: Like a cloud of many witnesses, they stand around us.

L: Before you, O God, we remember those who have joined the church triumphant. We are humbled by the witness of their faith. We thank you for the members of the church that dwell now with you ...

Sylvia Hearne, Mildred Ruoff, Gail Johnson, Lois Noyes

L: We hold the memory of loved ones in our hearts that have gone from our midst.

P: Like a cloud of many witnesses, they stand around us.

L: Blessed are those who die in the Lord, they rest from their labors, and their works follow them.

P: Like a cloud of many witnesses, they stand around us.

L: Before you, O God, we remember those names in our families and communities who have joined you in Eternity ...

(Congregation is invited to speak the name of family members and friends who have passed this year).

L: Before you, O God, we remember the saints of our day, who do not live by the rigid letter of the law but by the wild demands of faith.

P: Like a cloud of many witnesses, they stand around us. Eternal God, we thank you for the witnesses of all times and places. May the stories of their lives show us the richness of your grace. May they inspire us to look deep within our souls. May they encourage us to take the risk of faith and to serve you in new ways. Thanks be to God, Amen.

*Hymn: "In the Garden"

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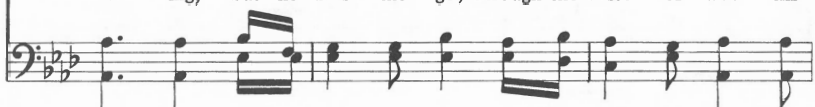
Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" Jn. 20:18



1. I come to the gar-den a - lone, while the dew is still on the
2. He speaks, and the sound of his voice is so sweet the birds hush their
3. I'd stay in the gar-den with him though the night a-round me be



ros - es; and the voice I hear, fall - ing on my ear, the
sing - ing, and the mel - o - dy that he gave to me with -
fall - ing, but he bids me go; through the voice of woe his



Refrain



Son of God dis - clos - es.
in my heart is ring - ing. And he walks with me, and he
voice to me is call - ing.



talks with me, and he tells me I am his own, and the



joy we share, as we tar - ry there, none oth-er has ev-er known.



Church Announcements

**THIS
WEEK**
Oct. 26

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 who quietly stepped in to help someone in need ... each of us has experienced this God-sent help, and we have likely provided the same for others. Your



pledge contributes to the work of our 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. As always, your prayerful consideration toward your pledge is greatly appreciated. Thanks in advance from your Stewardship Committee.

Men's Breakfast This Wednesday



The men of FPC will be gathering on Wednesday, **October 29**, at 9:00 AM in our parlor. Join them to share in camaraderie, a hearty breakfast, and a lively discussion on a thought-provoking topic or question. Be sure to let Rick Clark know if you're coming for their head count. Hope to see you there!



HALLOWEEN HELP NEEDED!



We're looking for a few ghosts & goblins to help hand out candy to our local trick-or-treaters on Friday, October 31!

Wear a favorite costume and meet us at church from 3:00 to 5:00pm — we'll supply the candy, we just need some friendly faces to represent our faithful church family.

Please contact Vicki Clarke if you can help out!

"Unmentionables" Need Your SUPPORT!

Unmentionables! Too often, they aren't mentioned or even thought of when we look to donate to people in need. In 2008, Bra Recyclers realized that not only weren't bras being donated but that they all too often ended up in landfills. Bra Recyclers serves as a pipeline to shelters and high schools to get needed garments to women of all ages and needs. We can help! Throughout October & November, look through your "unmentionables" drawer and bring any no longer used bras (any style, any size) to the bin in the parlor. Fellas - we didn't leave you out! In addition to bras, they also collect NEW ladies' undies! You can place any new undies (packaged/ tagged, please!) in the bin as well, or donate to help us purchase these items for the group. Place your donations in the offering plate (checks payable to FPCHH & clearly marked *UNMENTIONABLES* fundraiser) or donate on our PayPal site using the QR code & selecting *Unmentionables* in the drop-down list. Contact Jenni Maienza with any questions!



IHOC Supermarket Gift Card Special!



Supermarket Gift Card October Special

Only a few days left in October to purchase Shop Rite or Acme gift cards in support of IHOC! The gift cards come in amounts of \$25, \$50 and \$100 to either store. Typically, Acme & Shop Rite donate 5% to IHOC when you purchase a gift card, **but for the month of October, IHOC will receive 10% of the amount of the gift card** (e.g. a \$100 gift card will generate a \$10 donation to IHOC). Contact Cheryl Hauske to buy a gift card or to learn more about this program.





Spectacular Advent Workshop Update!

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 again, and encourage everyone to start digging up your favorite recipes to share your

soups or salads with your fellow attendees.

(Be sure to write down your recipe to share with others as well... there were many requests for recipes last year!) Following

lunch, the children will be able to visit our many different "stations" which will include 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. 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. The event will culminate with goodies and punch in the parlor. Stay tuned for a sign-up sheet in the parlor soon ... you won't want to miss this fun day!



October Collection: Cereal, Breakfast Bars & Instant Breakfast



Fall Sermon Series @ FPCHH

**GOD'S JUSTICE LEAGUE:
PROPHETS FROM THEN
FOR NOW**

11/2: SAMUEL
11/9: GUEST PREACHER
11/16: 3RD ISAIAH
11/23: JEREMIAH & PAUL

First Pres

YOUTH GROUP

SAVE the DATE(S)!



Youth Group MobilePack Service Project

The Haddonfield Council of Churches is hosting the annual *Feed My Starving Children (FMSC)* food-packing event at Haddonfield Middle

School. **Our Youth Group has 25 spots reserved** to help with this event on **Saturday, November 22 from 12:00 to 2:00pm**. Join volunteers of all ages & backgrounds as they come together 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

We're excited to announce that our FPC 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**, and our youth (& their friends) are invited to join. *Any other willing and able adults (Merry Muckers?!) are also welcome to join as chaperones* (please reach out directly to Eric Walker if interested or for more info at ewalker@haddonfieldpres.org). To avoid making the cost of the trip prohibitive for anyone wanting to attend, we are looking into ways to help subsidize the expense. Please contact Laura Masi if you're interested in attending or just want more info.

Details are:

When: June 21-27, 2026

Where: West Virginia

(most likely; the specific location is TBD)

Who: Rising 9th graders—12th graders

(including 2026 graduates)

Cost: \$600/person + additional expenses



Only 50 spots available! Scan the QR code for registration info or visit <https://asphome.org/about/> to learn more about the *Appalachia Service Project* organization.