



First Presbyterian Church of
NORTHPORT

10th Sunday after Pentecost
August 14th, 2022



Our Mission Statement

First Presbyterian Church of Northport is a welcoming community that invites all people to learn about and respond to the Word of God as found in the Old and New Testaments. Our mission is to be shaped by, proclaim, and live out the good news of Jesus Christ. We are committed to supporting the spiritual development of our congregation by feeding the spiritually and physically hungry, caring for the sick and lonely, nurturing children, and reaching out to those in need in our local and global communities.

FOUNDED 1785

WELCOME TO THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHPORT

- Whether you live in the area, are new to the area, or are visiting from out of town, we are glad you are here.
- Please let us know of your presence by joining our members in signing our Friendship Pad (blue folder in pew).
- If you have any questions about our church, please ask our greeters and ushers (the folks who handed you a bulletin) or visit our website www.fpcnorthport.org.
- Nursery care is provided each Sunday at our 10:00 am worship service, if you need help please ask an usher.
- Parents of young children are invited to pick up a children's worship bag hanging on the wall in the narthex (entryway).
- Everyone is invited to gather immediately after worship for conversation in the Hartt Room.

HOW TO CONNECT

- Come to worship—we're here every week!
- Watch our LiveStream on our YouTube Channel!
- Join the church!
- Find the most current information on our website (www.fpcnorthport.org).



Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the church.

The network name is FPCN_Guest

The password for the guest network is Hartt330

TODAY IN WORSHIP

In order that we might give our full attention to God during worship, we request that you turn off, or turn to silent mode, all cell phones and pagers and that no flash photography be taken.

Please welcome our guest organist, Carole Huston. Carole Huston retired to Long Island to be with her grandsons and her family. She was previously at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church in McLean, Virginia for over 18 years. At Lewinsville, she directed a graded choir program for children and was the assistant organist, and eventually became the Director of Music. During her career she served many different congregations in many states from Florida to California. She has two daughters and is happily making a new home in Coram.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 14TH, 2022

10th Sunday after Pentecost/Communion Sunday 10:00 AM

~We Gather in God's Name~

The service of worship begins with the music of the prelude. Through its power and brilliance, may you feel the majesty and glory of God, in its quietness, God's peace.

PRELUDE

"Lord Jesus Christ, with Us Abide"
Carole Huston, Organist

J. S. Bach

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Rachel Vione

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Based on Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore,

Since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses,

Let us throw off everything that hinders

And the sin that so easily entangles.

And let us run with perseverance

The race marked out for us,

Fixing our eyes on Jesus,

The pioneer and perfecter of faith.

*HYMN NO. 32

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

ELLACOMBE

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,

word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are,

and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

(Moment of silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*We invite you to share a sign of reconciliation and friendship with one another.
If you are comfortable, turn to those around you and offer a smile or a hand over your heart,
using the following words:*

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you. Amen.

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE** “From All That Dwell Below the Skies” Hymn No. 327, v. 3

Eternal are thy mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends thy word: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

~We Hear God’s Word~

SCRIPTURE LESSON Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON “Therefore” Rev. Rachel Vione

~We Respond As God’s People~

OFFERING Please give online at www.fpcnorthport.org

OFFERTORY “Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness” Johannes Brahms

***DOXOLOGY NO. 606** OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)**

**The bounty of summer is upon us. God’s table is filled with a feast beyond our wildest dreams.
We are grateful to be God’s welcome guest. May the gifts we give during this offering
bless others as we have been blessed. Amen.**

~Holy Communion~

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*COMMUNION HYMN NO. 525 "Let Us Break Bread Together" LET US BREAK BREAD

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS [congregation sings]

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*Please use the communion elements that you received upon entering the sanctuary.
The wafer is on the top and the juice is on the bottom. Eat the wafer when the words
"take and eat" are said. Drink the juice when the words "take and drink are said."*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN NO. 707 "Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord" HALL

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "My Heart Abounds with Pleasure" Johannes Brahms

*Following the benediction, the congregation is invited to depart the sanctuary for coffee hour.
Those who wish to remain seated for the postlude may do so.*

Announcements

Stewardship Reminder -- Please continue to support First Pres during the summer months while you might be away. Online donations may be made at www.fpcnorthport.org

Church Summer Office Hours – The church office will be open Tuesday - Friday from 9:00 - 1:00 from June 13 - September 12.

Employment Opportunities – FPC is looking for a Director of Children & Youth Ministries. Please see our website for a full job description.

We are also looking for a new Chancel and Westminster Choir Director. Please see our website for the job description.

You pick the hymns, Sunday, August 28 – Do you have a favorite hymn you would like to sing in worship? Now's your chance! Please submit your hymn requests to ktwitchell@fpcnorthport.org by Wednesday, August 24th. Your selections will be sung in worship on August 28th.

Sunday School Classes Begin on September 11! All children ages Pre-school- 5th grade are invited to attend Sunday school classes beginning Sunday, September 11. There will be separate classes for Mid-High (6-8th grade) and Sr. High (9-12th grade) as well. Please contact Elder, Melissa Beyer with any questions.

Blessing of the Backpacks, Sunday September 18 – All school age children are invited to bring their backpacks, notebooks, or book bags for a special beginning of the school year blessing. The blessing will take place during the children's sermon in worship on September 18th.

Save the date! Our fall kick-off BBQ will be held on Sunday, September 11th following the worship service. All are invited to enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie burgers and iced tea & lemonade on the patio and in the Hartt Room. All are welcome to attend as we come together again after the summer months. Long Island Softee will provide the ice cream.

PW Picnic is back! -- Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 17th at 4 pm to gather at the Scudder Beach Pavillion. This is a bring-your-own-food and beverage picnic. The Presbyterian Women's ministry will provide desserts for all, as well as ice, water, and cups. Let's be together at the beach! RSVP Diana at 631-292-2147 or 516-991-0114.

Presbyterian Women (PW) Book Discussion -- PW will have the next book discussion on Wednesday, Sept. 21st at 10:30 at the home of Peggy Denniston. The book we will talk about is "West With Giraffes" by Lynda Rutledge. Please join in and RSVP to Peggy (631-261-2426).

Presbyteries in Kentucky, Virginia and Missouri need support -- The devastating flooding in eastern Kentucky that took the lives of at least 37 people is part of a series of flooding events that Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is offering support and prayers for. Presbyterians and other concerned individuals can assist communities impacted by flooding by making donations to PDA. To send a check, please designate DR000191 on the memo line and mail to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), PO Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. To pay online, use this link: <https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000191/>.

Support for Ukraine FPC has offered financial support for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. Our Deacons have given \$3000, Mission Ministries has given \$1000, and individuals from the congregation have made donations as well. If you would like to contribute your support, please give online at www.fpcnorthport.org or at Presbyterian Disaster Assistance at www.pcusa/disasterassistance.org.

Give a Book, Take a Book! Visit the bookshelf in the Hartt Room after worship with books for people to take. Please take a book and bring in a book for the shelf. Books can be on any topic and can be paperback or hardcover. Happy Reading!

Prayers

Joe Winkler, Bob Montusi (Diana Montusi's husband), Sean Tinker (Pegge Strella's nephew), William Koran (Barbara Healy's brother), Pat Jazinski (friend of Sharon Noonan), Maria Abbatiello (friend of the Mercers), Cory Phelan (friend of Kathy Landi), Demetra Innes (friend of Deidre Gehrke), Todd Pierce, Gary Sandel, Justin Yoskowitz, Aaron Thomas, Brian Brewer (Faustine White's son), **the family of:** Ann Dentrone (Frank's mother), Jean Wilson, **those in Healthcare facilities** – Whisper Woods of Smithtown: Art Shaw, St. Catherine of Siena Nursing & Rehabilitation Center: Ann Deery, **our partner congregations:** Nueva Paz, Cuba and Iglesia Evangelica Presbiteriana Nueva Vida, Malverne; the Presbytery of Long Island and its staff; the Synod of the Northeast, the Presbyterian Church (USA), its Louisville staff, its missionaries worldwide

Pastoral Care Concerns - If you or someone you know is in the hospital or needs a pastoral care visit, please contact the church office to let us know. This will help us to be sure that we are aware of the pastoral care needs of our church members.

If you have a pastoral concern/request, please email Karen at ktwitchell@fpcnorthport.org. Relaying this type of information in this way will assist us greatly in our efforts to be attentive to the pastoral needs of members of our congregation.

The names of those on our prayer list will remain in the bulletin for six weeks. If, after the six-week period, you would like the name you submitted to remain on the list, please contact the church office with your request. Thank you! (To add or remove your name from this list, please call the church office, 261-6434.)

Food Pantry News

The Pantry is open Monday-Thursday from 10:00-12:00. If you would like to make food donations to the Pantry, please place your donations in the "Big Blue Bin" near the parking lot entrance of the church Monday-Thursday from 10:00-12:00. If you would like to make a financial donation to the Pantry, please make your check out to "ELC Food Pantry."

Specific Pantry Needs

The food pantry is in need of the following items: lettuce, cooking oil, laundry soap, paper towels.

Contact Information

Church Office

330 Main St., Northport, NY 11768

Phone: (631) 261-6434

Email: office@fpcnorthport.org

Website: www.fpcnorthport.org

Ecumenical Lay Council Food Pantry

Phone: (631) 261-4357

Weekday Nursery School

Phone: (631) 757-1342

Email: info@weekdaynorthport.com

Website: www.weekdaynorthport.com

 www.facebook.com/weekdaynorthport

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