



First Presbyterian Church of  
**NORTHPORT**

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 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.

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## WELCOME TO THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTHPORT

Whether you are visiting for the first time, or are a longtime member, we are blessed to have you with us. We bring different questions, and we carry different burdens. But every Sunday, we worship together as one. In our preaching and our prayers, we wrestle with the challenges of the modern world. We hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant this morning -- a word of comfort, a spur to action, a call to a deeper relationship with God. We hope you will experience some of the love and warmth of this caring community of faith. Welcome! We're glad you're here!

Rachel Vione, Pastor

- 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](http://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](http://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

**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.**

## Today in Worship

Every year on the first Sunday in October, on October 2 this year, Christians around the globe celebrate World Communion Sunday. It is a day to remember that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church and that every Christian Church and any denomination that promotes Christian unity are one. On this day, people draw faith and inspiration from seeing that they are part of a community that boasts millions of believers and worshippers. The tradition was begun in 1933 by Hugh Thomson Kerr who was the pastor of Shadeyside Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh, PA., and was adopted by the Federal Council of Churches in 1940

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# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2022

17<sup>th</sup> 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 "Bread of the World" Dr. Brenda Clark  
Arr. D. Burton

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH Rev. Rachel Vione

MINUTE FOR MISSION Rev. Alexander Madrigal  
*Iglesia Evangelica Presbiteriana Nueva Vida, Malverne*

CHORAL INTROIT "O Thou Who Hearest Every Heartfelt Prayer" F. Atkinson

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Today we gather around God's table from near and far.

**We are the people of God!**

Though we differ in language, custom and tradition,

**We are brothers and sisters in Christ!**

For there is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism

**We are one in God's Spirit!**

We are one and together we remember our Lord Jesus.

**For we are the people of Redemption!**

He gave himself up for us, so we could be reconciled to God.

**Come, let us worship the God of our salvation!**

\*HYMN NO. 761 "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" BEECHER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

*from Habakkuk 1:3; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 12, 14*

**Holy and Righteous God, amidst the violence and wrongdoing of the world,**

**we struggle to live by faith. We treat suffering with contempt,**

**seek power to serve ourselves, and cowardly shrink from prophetic truth.**

**Gather us again to your table as you gathered the generations before us.**

**Save us from the strife we start, and the contention we create.**

**Rekindle within us the gifts you have given, revive our sense of your Holy Spirit.**

**In the name of our Savior Jesus Christ, we pray.**

*(Moment of silence for personal confession and reflection)*

\*Indicates the congregation is invited to stand

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

HYMN 582

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE AND PRAYER

5<sup>th</sup> grade and younger gather on the chancel steps

HYMN NO. 686

“God of Our Life”

SANDON

~We Hear God’s Word~

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 37:1-9

Read in Spanish

Do not fret because of the wicked; do not be envious of wrongdoers, for they will soon fade like the grass and wither like the green herb. Trust in the Lord and do good; live in the land and enjoy security. Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and he will act. He will make your vindication shine like the light and the justice of your cause like the noonday. Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices. Refrain from anger and forsake wrath. Do not fret—it leads only to evil. For the wicked shall be cut off, but those who wait for the Lord shall inherit the land. Yet a little while, and the wicked will be no more; though you look diligently for their place, they will not be there. But the meek shall inherit the land and delight themselves in abundant prosperity.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33-34

(p. 173, pew Bible)

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

SERMON

“The Body of Christ”

Rev. Rachel Vione

~We Respond As God’s People~

OFFERING

Please give online at [www.fpcnorthport.org](http://www.fpcnorthport.org)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Now Thank We All Our God”  
Chancel Choir

J.S. Bach  
Arr. C. Winkworth

\*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

~Holy Communion~

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

\*COMMUNION HYMN NO. 526 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

LINSTEAD

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

Said in English and Spanish

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*Communion will be served by intinction. You are invited to come forward by the center aisle beginning with the front rows, take a piece of bread, eat it, and then move to the juice filled trays. After drinking the juice, place the empty cup in the tray and return to your pew by the side aisles. If you are unable to come forward, a server will come to your pew.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Let Us Break Bread Together"  
Susan Mann, Soloist

Arr. F. Roberts

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\*HYMN NO. 721

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

J. Rutter

POSTLUDE

"Festival Postlude"

U. Seifert

## **Announcements**

**Breads from around the world!** In celebration of World Communion Sunday, please join us at coffee hour today to sample different breads from around the world.

**Today is World Communion Sunday** -- we celebrate our worldwide heritage and connection to churches around the world. We will discover that as Presbyterians we are deeply enriched by the unique insights of the many denominations around the world and through celebrating Communion, we are made one in Christ. Rev. Alexander Madrigal and members of our sister church, Iglesia Evangelica Presbiteriana Nueva Vida will be worshipping with us today.

**Today we will receive the Peace and Global Witness Offering.** Peace is not just about the absence of conflict, but the presence of justice, and a solution for the world where different races and cultures live in harmony, respecting each other and our environment; a world where peace is built with justice, and justice is guided by love. Help us to proclaim the Peace of Jesus Christ to all! Please contribute in the Peacemaking and Global Witness Offering envelopes by mail or in the offering plate and speak with anyone on the Peacemaking Ministry team to join us and help bring peace to our world!

**Sunday School classes resume October 16** – Sunday School will take a break for the next few weeks, but Mary will continue to be in the nursery for the little ones! Students of all ages are invited to worship with their families. Sunday School will be back on October 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Annual YDA Wine Tasting, Monday, October 10** -- Spend the day exploring the North Fork with our friends from YDA. Experience VIP wine tastings at Duck Walk Vineyard, Pellegrini Vineyard & Jason's Vineyard. Lunch, pumpkin picking and visiting a local farm stand are all part of the tour. The bus leaves the church parking lot at 9:30 AM and returns at 6:00. Reservations are required by October 3. Please call the church office for more information.

**Presbyterian Women (PW) Book Discussion, Tuesday, October 25** -- The next PW book discussion will be about "The Beekeeper of Aleppo" by Christy Lefteri. We will meet at 10 am October 25th at the home of Leah Fink. Please RSVP Leah at 631-757-5325.

**The Membership Committee** invites you to host a fire pit gathering on the church patio or one in your own backyard. We are also looking for leadership for an October hike. Both are a fun way to get to know others better. Please call Diana Montusi with any questions. 516-991-0114

**Fall is here and** so are the new copies of "These Days – Daily Devotions for Living by Faith" available for October, November & December. Please pick up a copy from the information rack located in the lobby by the back parking lot entryway to the church.

**Relief for our brothers & sisters in Puerto Rico** -- Following the floods and devastation caused by Hurricane Fiona, the best way to offer our support is to pray and support local response efforts through the PDA hurricane relief fund. Down the road, there will be opportunities for long-term recovery and volunteer support. If you would like to make a contribution, please give online to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance at <https://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000194/>

**Pioneers meet on Wednesday, October 12th** -- Senior adults are invited to join our Pioneers for fellowship, fun, chapel, and lunch at 10:00 in the Hartt Room.

**Check out the pictures of our confirmation classes from the last decade.** The pictures are posted on the wall by the piano in the Hartt Room. See if you can spot a familiar face or two!

**Men's Wednesday Morning Breakfast** -- Each week the Men's Wednesday Morning Breakfast Group meets at 8:15 AM in the village park. In case of rain, we will meet in the Hartt Room. All men of the church are invited to join in! For more information, please email Deacon Tim Gladding at [emgeetd@aol.com](mailto:emgeetd@aol.com)

## Prayers

Debbie Danley (Barbara Healy's cousin), Pat Reeves, Phyllis Crowley (Janeen & Dennis's sister-in-law), Sean Tinker (Pegge Strella's nephew), Grace Alber (friend of Tiffany Thomas), Bob Montusi (Diana's husband), 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:** Arthur Shaw, Arthur Allen (Jen Paterson's brother), Carl Josephson (Keith's father), **those in Healthcare facilities** – St. Johnland Rehabilitation: Sonia Padgett, 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](mailto: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](mailto:office@fpcnorthport.org)

Website: [www.fpcnorthport.org](http://www.fpcnorthport.org)

#### **Ecumenical Lay Council Food Pantry**

Phone: (631) 261-4357

#### **Weekday Nursery School**

Phone: (631) 757-1342

Email: [info@weekdaynorthport.com](mailto:info@weekdaynorthport.com)

Website: [www.weekdaynorthport.com](http://www.weekdaynorthport.com)

 [www.facebook.com/weekdaynorthport](http://www.facebook.com/weekdaynorthport)

To sign up for the church email list send your email address to:  
[office@fpcnorthport.org](mailto:office@fpcnorthport.org)

### **The Staff of The First Presbyterian Church of Northport**

Rachel Vione  
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*Weekday Nursery School Custodian*

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### **Session**

Marcia Mercer (Clerk of Session), Melissa Beyer, Pat Bell, Cathy Coleman, Dennis Crowley, Vicki Field, Marilyn Fox, Kim Gilbert, Susanne Haffner, William Heuer, Cindy Mies, Diana Montusi, Fred Mosher, David Ofsharick, Florence Ogg, Anita D'Amico Stambouly

### **Deacons**

Jim Beyer, Marlana Dentrone, Sue Ebert (co-moderator), Jack Fink, Tim Gladding, Carolyn Louis, Krista Mellinger-DeRoma, Jeannie O'Brien, Robin O'Neil Gonzalez, Shelley Pierce (co-moderator), Jeannie Reed, Pegge Strella, Marjorie Sundquist, Tiffany Thomas

### **Give Online**

