



First Presbyterian Church of
NORTHPORT

5th Sunday after Pentecost
July 13th, 2025



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.
- 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.
- Please be aware that the broadcasted service may include images and video of people in the sanctuary who are present for the service.

HOW TO CONNECT

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

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.

SUNDAY, JULY 13TH, 2025

5th Sunday after Pentecost 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

“Pastorale”
Scarlatti

Daniel Berman

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Rachel Vione

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PRAYER FOR TEXAS FLOODING VICTIMS

Good and Gracious God, we come before you with humble hearts, overwhelmed by the catastrophic floods in Southeast Texas. The images and stories of destruction are too much for us to bear.

We grieve with those who have lost their loved ones. We pray especially for the young lives lost at Camp Mystic. Comfort and console their families. We pray for all those who will respond in recovery in the coming weeks and months. Give them strength, O God, and keep them in your everlasting arms of love. We trust in your faithfulness, dear God, even in the midst of devastation. Bless all who work for relief and restoration. And may your peace, which passes understanding, guard the hearts and minds of those who suffer. We pray all these in the name of Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord! Amen!

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Christ has set us free

Free to serve

Free to welcome and include

Free to love our neighbors as ourselves

*HYMN NO. 385

“All People That on Earth Do Dwell”

OLD HUNDREDTH

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Spirit of the Living God, your fruit includes love, peace, patience and kindness but we are a divided, hateful people. We turn to violent means and violent words to settle our disputes. We are impatient with each other and fail to honor your commandment to love. Our idols fascinate and distract us from your rightful path. Forgive us. Turn us from our sinful ways. Set us free in Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Indicates the congregation is invited to stand

SILENT PRAYERS

(Moment of silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Glory to God Whose Goodness Shined on Me” Hymn No. 582

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Gracious God, illumine these words by your Spirit that we might hear what you would have us hear, and be who you would us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

~We Hear God’s Word~

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 10:25-37 (p. 71, pew Bible)

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

SERMON “Tell Me a Story” Rev. Rachel Vione

~We Respond As God’s People~

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OFFERTORY

*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)

Most generous God, you have blessed us with gifts to serve and share. May the offerings we present today be used to further your kingdom and build your beloved community. Amen.

Holy Communion~

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*COMMUNION HYMN NO. 500 “Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread”

ST. FLAVIAN

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

*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, then move to the juice filled trays. After drinking the juice, please take the empty cup back to your pew by the side aisles and place it in the cup rack.
If you are unable to come forward, a server will come to your pew. All elements are gluten free.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN NO. 462

“I Love to Tell the Story”

HANKEY

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

“March”

Handel

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING *All church members are invited to stay for the meeting*

Announcements

Help for Flood Victims – <https://pcusa.org/donate/dr000191-disaster-relief-us-flooding>

Checks can be mailed to: Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) P. O. Box 643700 Pittsburgh, PA 15264

Congregational Meeting – July 13 – The Session has called a congregational meeting today following worship for the purpose of acting on a recommendation from Session and Finance to sell our building at 324 Main St.

Sunday School Classes – During the months of July and August there will not be a children's message during worship. All children can be dropped off on the lower level before worship and picked up following worship. Miss Joey & Miss Mary will have fun activities for the children to do. Children are also welcome to stay in church and worship with their families.

Adult Education Class – We will meet Sunday, July 13 with a video by Adam Hamilton, entitled "What Would Jesus Say about Climate Change?" Come and join us for coffee, pastries and a video designed to inspire us to do our best to help our world. See you Sunday morning at 9 am in the chapel. All are welcome!

A Summertime Pizza Party! Sign-ups today! Please join us for pizza on **Wednesday, July 16th 6:00 pm**. There will be sign-ups after worship in the Hartt Rm. today (\$5 per person from age 12 and up). Any questions, please call Diana Montusi at 516-991-0114. Looking forward to a summer social!

Mission Ministries – Throughout the months of July and August, mission ministries is sponsoring a food and clothing drive to assist the homeless men who visit the HIHI "Amigos' Cafe" in Huntington Station on weekdays. At the Café, guests are served breakfast and lunch. But they are also in need of clothing items. Donation boxes are in the parking lot entrance. One will be marked "Food" and the other "Clothing". Here is a list of items that have been requested: **FOOD:** For the Cafe kitchen: cans of coffee (not instant); hot sauce; powdered iced tea; large containers of uncooked oatmeal; and granola bars. **CLOTHING:** sweatpants sizes S, M and L; lightweight sweatshirts & windbreakers; socks - athletic type only; undergarments - sizes M and L; and short sleeve T shirts.

"12 Angry Jurors" July 25 & 26 – Our newly formed theater group is busy with rehearsals for their production of "12 Angry Jurors" The performance dates are Friday, July 25 at 7:00 & Saturday, July 26 at 2:00 & 7:00 in Fellowship Hall. Admission is free.

Please pay your per capita for 2025 – The per-capita for 2025 is \$42.09 per person. In essence: Per capita is a set amount of money (apportionment) per member that congregations pay to the larger Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Text "FPCNPT percap 42.09 to 73256 to give using your mobile device. Online - <https://onrealm.org/FPCNorthport/give/percap> or scan the QR Code on the back page.

Daily Devotions "These Days" – Copies of the new issue of "These Days" for July - September are available in the Hartt Room.

Presbyterian Women (PW) Book Discussion – The next book discussion will be about "Strangers in Time" by David Baldacci. The talk will be held at the home of Peggy Denniston on Tuesday, July 22 at 10 a.m. Please call Peggy at 631-261-2426 to let her know if you will be attending.

Volunteers Needed for Coffee Hour Hosts – In addition to our Ministry Committees who sign up to host coffee hour, we would like to invite members of the congregation to sign up to host as well. The Sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the Hartt Room.

Men's Wednesday Morning Breakfast – Each week the Men's Wednesday Morning Breakfast Group meets at 8:15 AM in the Greenlawn Family Restaurant. All men of the church are invited to join in! For more information, please email Deacon Tim Gladding at emgeetd@aol.com.

Prayers

Phyllis Crowley (Dennis & Janeen's sister-in-law), Don Tiberie (friend of the Newmans), Ed Cohen (friend of Diana & Bob Montusi), Lorraine Fisher (friend of Marilyn Barker), Cyndi Mignella (friend of Jim Zima), Diane User and son, Adam (friends of Jim Zima), Jennifer Caputo (Kathy Landi's friend), Ginny Kranenberg, Lugenia Gantt, Sean Tinker (Pegge Strella's nephew), **the family of:** Fred Heckman (Diane Lobaugh's cousin), **those in Healthcare facilities** – Gurwin Nursing & Rehab. in Commack: Lillian Mosher, **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.)

Anyone who is not able to attend church in person who desires a visit with communion, please contact Pastor Rachel at rvione@fpcnorthport.org.

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 donation box marked "Food Pantry" in 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."! **Pantry's New Website - elcfoodpantry.org** – where you can find information and make donations.

Specific Pantry Needs

The food pantry is in need of the following items:

Pasta sauces	Peanut butter & jelly, crackers	Pancake mix, cake mix
Oatmeal, corn flakes, rice krispies	Mustard, ketchup, mayonnaise	Flour, sugar, brown sugar,
Canola & olive oils (small cont.)	Cookies, snack foods, chips, dips	Hot chocolate, juice boxes
Laundry soaps, dish soaps (small containers)	Cooking Oil	Baby Food

Contact Information

Church Office

330 Main St., Northport, NY 11768

Phone: (631) 261-6434

Email: office@fpcnorthport.org

Website: www.fpcnorthport.org

 www.facebook.com/fpcnorthport

Ecumenical Lay Council Food Pantry

Phone: (631) 261-4357

Weekday Nursery School

Phone: (631) 757-1342

Email: info@weekdaynorthport.com

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To sign up for the church email list send
your email address to:
office@fpcnorthport.org

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Free Wi-Fi is available throughout the church.
The network name is FPCN_Guest
The password for the guest network is
Hartt330

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