



First Presbyterian Church of
NORTHPORT

4th Sunday after Pentecost
July 6th, 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.

Please welcome our guest preacher Elder Amy Means. Amy Means is an actively serving Elder at Old First Church in Huntington. She was born and raised in Metro Detroit, Michigan, where she first served as an Elder and Evangelism Team leader for three years. She and her husband reside in Huntington where they stay busy cheering their girls on in dance, cross-country, lacrosse, and field hockey. They are also proud Michigan State University alumni and parents to their son, who recently completed his freshman year as an MSU Spartan. Amy has spent over twenty years as an educator and teaches in the South Huntington Union Free School District.

SUNDAY, JULY 6TH, 2025

4th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 AM

PRELUDE

“Folksong Prelude”
Grieg-Larson

Daniel Berman

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Elder, Frank Dentrone

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Psalm 30

I will exalt you, O Lord, for you have lifted me out of the depths and set me on high.

O Lord, our God, we call out to you for help, confident you will hear our prayers and heal us.

Sing the praises of the Lord, all his faithful people; praise God’s holy and awesome name!

Our weeping may last for the night, but the joy of the Lord comes in the morning!

You turn our wailing into dancing; removing our heartache and filling us with eternal joy.

O Lord, our God, we will praise you forever; our hearts will ring out in shouts of glory and honor.

Proclaiming the joyful and joy-filled praises of the Lord, who hears our prayers, let us lift our hearts and voices as we worship God together in Spirit and Truth.

*HYMN NO. 761

“Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

BEECHER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsive)

God of majesty and mercy, in creation you have given us all that we need to live and all that we can cherish. You came to us in Jesus Christ to show us the face of your unconditional love. You enter our lives, meeting us in the midst of joy and pain. Through the Holy Spirit, you speak words of wisdom to help us find our way. God in our midst, speak to us today in this time of worship. Proclaim the words we need to hear, so that we may know you still walk with us in Jesus Christ. For we honor you, Source, Savior, and Spirit of Life; one God, now and forever.

God of forgiveness and grace, you send us into the world as ambassadors of your love and peace; yet far too often, we create discord and division. We value our understanding of the world you love; yet far too often, fail to listen to the stories of others. We serve our own interests first, ignoring those in need. Forgive us for such self-centeredness. Empower us to live as more faithful disciples of Jesus; eager to serve, willing to listen, and glad to be of service in his name. We pray together in the name of the Risen Messiah, Jesus, the Christ, our Lord and Savior, amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The Apostle Paul declared that from now on, we are to regard no one from a human point of view. For if anyone is in Christ Jesus, there is a new creation!

Thanks be to our God; Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. For in God’s everlasting mercy and unconditional love, we are given a new beginning in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen!

*Indicates the congregation is invited to stand

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“God of Great and God of Small”

Hymn No. 19 vs. 1 & 2

**God of great and God of small, God of one and God of all,
God of weak and God of strong, God to whom all things belong,
 alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.**

**God of land and sky and sea, God of life and destiny,
God of never-ending power, yet beside me every hour,
 alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

God of wisdom and understanding, as we listen to these scriptures, read and interpreted, send the power of your Holy Spirit, that we may hear your Word proclaimed with new energy and fresh insight. Move within us, among us, and through us, so that we may respond in faithfulness for the sake of Christ Jesus, our Living Lord, amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Galatians 6:1-16

(p. 191, pew Bible)

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

HYMN NO. 726

“Will You Come and Follow Me”
(Please remain seated)

KELVINGROVE

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

(p. 71, pew Bible)

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

SERMON

“Let Us Not Grow Weary”

Elder, Amy Means

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

A Brief Statement of Faith (1983)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, and delivering us from death to life eternal. Amen.

*SUNG RESPONSE

“God of Great and God of Small”

Hymn No. 19 vs. 3 & 4

**God of silence, God of sound, God by whom the lost are found,
God of day and darkest night, God whose love turns wrong to right,
alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.
God of heaven and God of earth, God of death and God of birth,
God of now and days before, God who reigns forever more
alleluia, alleluia, praise be to your name.**

OFFERING

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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)

**Creator God, you made each one of us in our uniqueness, and together, you made all of us to
bear your image in the world. Accept our gifts of time, talent, and treasure, unique as each one is,
and bless them for the sake of your Son, Jesus, the Christ. May these gifts carry his love, grace,
and mercy into the world you care for deeply, so that your purpose may be fulfilled and your will
may be done. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

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**

HYMN NO. 826

“Lift High the Cross”

CRUCIFER

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

“God Bless America”
(Please join in singing)

I. Berlin

Following the benediction, the congregation is invited to depart the sanctuary for coffee hour

Announcements

Congregational Meeting – July 13 – The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, July 13th 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 not meet today, but we will meet Sunday, July 13 with a video, also 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 next 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 and next Sunday, July 13th (\$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. Should you wish to donate to this HIHI outreach program, large boxes will be placed in the parking lot entrance to the church during the months of July and August to receive your donations. 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

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Ecumenical Lay Council Food Pantry

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Weekday Nursery School

Phone: (631) 757-1342

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The network name is FPCN_Guest
The password for the guest network is
Hartt330

Session

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