



First Presbyterian Church of
NORTHPORT

4th Sunday after Epiphany
February 1, 2026



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.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST, 2026

4th Sunday after Epiphany/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

"Siciliano"
Bach/R. Purvis

Daniel Berman

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Rachel Vione

CHORAL INTROIT

"Holy Spirit, Come to Us"
Chancel Choir

J. Berthier

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

based on Psalm 15

Lord, we come into your sanctuary with eagerness.

May we hear your call and speak your truth.

Lord, we come to abide with you in love.

Gather us in honest and faithful community.

Lord, prepare us to be people of hope and grace.

Kindle in us courage to live as brave and faithful disciples.

Let us worship our God together in this holy place.

Alleluia. Amen.

*HYMN NO. 401

"Here in This Place"

GATHER US IN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

based on Micah 6:1-8

Merciful God, we come before you in confession. You have showered us with blessings, but we hoard those gifts, refusing to share with our neighbors in need. You have given us freedom to live justly, but we choose to oppress and judge others. You have called us to live in peaceful community, but we sow discord and breed fear among ourselves. Forgive us. Soften our hearts and open our minds to hear your call. Inspire us to act justly, love fiercely, and walk in your way each and every day. Amen.

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.**

*Indicates the congregation is invited to stand

Hymn 132, v. 3

~We Hear God's Word~

Holy God, we present these offerings to you in faith. We trust that you will bless and use them to further Christ's ministry and serve those in need. May these gifts bless those we know who are suffering and those known only to you. Amen.

~Holy Communion~

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

COMMUNION HYMN NO. 92 "While We Are Waiting, Come"

WAITING

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

"Ich folge dir"
Maia Gonzales, Soprano

J. S. Bach

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*HYMN NO. 720

"Jesus Calls Us"

GALILEE

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Take, O Take Me as I Am"

J. L. Bell

*POSTLUDE

"Sortie on Quid Nunc in Tenebris Tristis Aberras"

A. Guilmant

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

Announcements

Birthday Celebrations First Sunday of the Month! Everyone with a February birthday is invited to celebrate their birthday with us at coffee hour. We will sing Happy Birthday and there will be an ice cream cake!

Sunday School and Nursery Care – Sunday school will meet on the lower level of the building. Nursery care with Miss Mary and Miss Joey is available on the lower level.

Coffee Hour Activities for Children – Parents are invited to bring their children to coffee hour where they can participate in making crafts and other age-appropriate activities while parents enjoy coffee hour.

Adult Ed Class – Adult Ed will continue the series entitled "When the Game is Over, It All Goes Back in the Box" by John Ortberg. It explores the concept of what is important in our lives; not the promotions, the financial planning and all the stuff, but our relationships with each other and our world. Join us at 9 AM before Worship for coffee, pastries and lively discussion. See you then!

Souper Bowl of Caring 2026! Sunday, February 8 is Super Bowl Sunday. We will collect food for the Food Pantry and share a soup lunch after worship. Please join us for soup and bring non-perishable items for the pantry.

Special Coffee Hour, Sunday February 8 – Our membership committee will be providing several different kinds of soups at coffee hour in honor of the Souper Bowl of Caring. Come and enjoy a cup of soup with your church friends!

Today we continue our stewardship dedication for 2026!

Pledge numbers so far...69 Members/Households have pledged. Our pledge goal is \$300,000. We have received \$248,018 in pledges, so we are 83% toward our goal. Thank you to all who have already pledged for 2026. If you have not yet pledged, we invite you to do so by placing your pledge card in the offering plate today. You may also pledge online at <https://onrealm.org/FPCNorthport/AddPledge/stewardship2026> or by scanning the QR code on the back of your bulletin. Thank you for your generosity!

Please pay your per capita for 2026 – The per-capita for 2026 is \$42.51 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 42.51" to 73256 to give using your mobile device. Online - <https://onrealm.org/FPCNorthport/give/percap>.

A mission opportunity sponsored by the Huntington Interfaith Homeless Initiative (HHI). On Tuesday, February 10, Mission Ministries will be providing meals for 32 homeless guests staying in a motel in Huntington that night. If you would like to help with this mission endeavor, please make a donation for the purchase of these meals. Donations of clementines and cookies are also welcome. Sign-up sheets will be provided in the Hartt Rm following worship on Sunday, Feb. 1 and Sunday, Feb 8.

Presbyterian Women's (PW) Book Discussion - March 17 – The next PW book discussion will be about "*The One Hundred Years of Lenni and Margot*" by Marianne Cronin. That talk will be held at Peggy Denniston's home on March 17th at 10 AM. Please call Peggy if you are able to join in. (631-261-2426). The gatherings are lovely and interesting. Please come!

Pioneers will meet again on Wednesday, February 11th – Senior adults are invited to join our Pioneers for fellowship, fun, & devotions at 10:00 in the Hartt Room. For more information, please call Sharon Noonan at 631-368-7545.

Prayers

Joan Armet, Kristopher Driffill (friend of the Mercer family), Kate Wardle (friend of the Gladdings), Dominick Marinello (friend of the Noonans), David Bartlebaugh (Claire Newman's brother), Bob Treanor (Susan Van Deusen's father), David Capobianco (Marcia & Ron Mercer's brother-in-law), Karen Caputo (friend of Kathy Landi), Rebecca Zusman (friend of Marilyn Fox), Phyllis Crowley (Dennis & Janeen's sister-in-law), Ed Cohen (friend of Diana & Bob Montusi), Cyndi Mignella (friend of Jim Zima), Diane User and son, Adam (friends of Jim Zima), Lugenia Gantt, Sean Tinker (Pegge Strella's nephew), Christians who are being persecuted around the world, **those in Healthcare facilities** – Gurwin Nursing & Rehab: 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

Website: www.weekdaynorthport.com

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

The Staff of The First Presbyterian Church of Northport

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The password for the guest network is
Hartt330

Session

Marcia Mercer (Clerk of Session), Melissa Barasch,
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