



First Presbyterian Church of
NORTHPORT

2nd Sunday after Pentecost
June 7th, 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.

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, JUNE 7TH, 2026

2nd Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 AM

~We Gather in God's Name~

PRELUDE

“Andantino”
Franck

Daniel Berman

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Elder, Kim Gilbert

CHORAL INTROIT

“Listen, God is Calling”
Chancel Choir

A. C. Lovelace

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Come, people of God, worship the one who keeps every promise.

We come to worship the God whose faithfulness endures forever.

Come and worship the God of Abraham and Sarah, who brings life where there is barrenness, hope where there is despair, and possibility where the world sees only impossibility.

We come to praise the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that do not yet exist.

Come and worship Jesus, the Christ, who called Matthew to follow, welcomed sinners to his table, healed the suffering, and raised the dead to life.

We come to follow the one whose mercy is greater than our failures and whose grace is wider than our fears.

Come, all who feel worthy and all who do not. Come, all who arrive with confidence and all who come carrying doubts. Come, all who are rejoicing and all who are burdened.

In Christ, there is room for each of us. In Christ, we are welcomed, loved, and made whole.

Come, for Christ still seeks the lost, still welcomes the outcast, still heals the wounded, and still calls disciples to follow him.

Before we ever sought Christ, Christ was seeking us. Let us worship the Lord, our God, with Spirit and Truth.

*HYMN NO. 838

“Standing on the Promises”

PROMISES

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsive)

Gracious and loving God, you are the God who calls us by name, who seeks us when we are lost, who welcomes us when we feel unworthy, and who gathers us into your family through Jesus Christ. You called Abraham to trust your promises. You called Matthew from his tax booth. You welcomed sinners to your table, stopped for the forgotten and overlooked, and brought healing to the suffering and life to the dying. When the world draws boundaries, you create community. When others exclude, you welcome. When fear and shame tell us we do not belong, your grace assures us that we are your beloved children. We praise you for your steadfast love, abundant mercy, and faithfulness that never fails.

*Indicates the congregation is invited to stand

Merciful and forgiving God, you seek us in love, yet we often seek the wrong things. We seek comfort rather than compassion, security rather than faithfulness, and recognition rather than service. Too often, we overlook those whom Jesus noticed. We pass by those who are hurting, judge those whom Christ welcomes, and build walls where Christ sets a table. Forgive us when we fail to see others through the eyes of your Son. Forgive us when fear prevents us from reaching out. Forgive us when we forget that your grace is meant for all people. Teach us to seek what you seek, love whom you love, and follow where Christ leads. For it is in his holy and powerful name that we pray together. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS

(Moment of silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (responsive)

Jesus said, *“I desire mercy, not sacrifice. For I have come not to call the righteous, but sinners.”*
The good news of the Gospel is not that Christ waits for us to become worthy before welcoming us, but that Christ comes seeking us exactly when and where we are.

When Matthew was sitting at his tax booth, Christ called him. When a suffering woman reached out in faith, Christ healed her. When a grieving father pleaded for help, Christ responded. Consistently, Jesus met people in their need, offering restoration of life – the same grace Jesus offers to each of us today. Amen!

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE “Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound” Hymn No. 649 v. 1&2

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Living God, by your Holy Spirit, give us the faith of Abraham, who trusted your promises even when he could not see their fulfillment; the courage of Matthew, who left behind the familiar to follow Christ; the persistence of the woman who reached out for healing; and the hope of the father who trusted Jesus even in the face of death. As we hear your word today, challenge what must be challenged, comfort what must be comforted, heal what must be healed, and transform what must be transformed. May your Word shape us more fully into the image of Jesus, the Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON Romans 4:13-25 (p. 155, pew Bible)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE AND PRAYER

5th grade and younger gather on the chancel steps
Following the children’s message, children are invited to attend Sunday School on the lower level.

HYMN NO. 726 “Will You Come and Follow Me” KELVINGROVE
(Please remain seated)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26 (p. 9, pew Bible)

SERMON “Who Are You Seeking?” Elder, Amy Means

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*SUNG RESPONSE

"Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

Hymn No. 649 v. 4&5

OFFERING

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OFFERTORY

"Awake My Soul"

E. Hagenberg

Chancel Choir

*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)

Generous and loving God, we offer these gifts with gratitude for all that you have first given us. Receive our offerings of time, talent, and treasure, and use each one to further the work of your kingdom. May they help proclaim good news to the poor, bring comfort to those who grieve, hope to those who despair, justice to those who are oppressed, and welcome to those who have been excluded. Send us out from this place as disciples who seek what Christ seeks, love whom Christ loves, and serve as Christ serves. May our words, our actions, and our lives, bear witness to the grace we have fully and freely received. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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. 721

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

W.G. Tomer

*POSTLUDE

"Trumpet Tune"

Purcell

Flower Dedication

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given in honor & thanksgiving for Elder Amy Means and her ministry among us.

Announcements

Birthday Celebrations First Sunday of the Month! Everyone with a June birthday is invited to celebrate their birthday with us at coffee hour. We will sing Happy Birthday and enjoy 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.

Adult Ed Class – Adult Ed will begin our final series of the season this Sunday June 7, with a 6-week video series by Adam Hamilton, entitled “Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith.” We will learn that doubt is entwined with faith, and to paraphrase Hamilton, “my life has been better because I choose to believe.” Join us at 9 am in the Chapel for coffee, pastries and lively discussion. See you then!

Strawberry Shortcake Sunday, June 14th – Our Membership Ministry is hosting a special coffee hour featuring strawberry shortcake. Please join us in the Hartt Room following worship to enjoy delicious strawberry shortcake!

Graduate Recognition - Sunday, June 21st – If you have a 2026 high school, college, or graduate school graduate whose name you would like listed in the bulletin on June 21st, please call or email the church office by **Tuesday, June 16th**.

Musical Recital - Sunday, June 14th - 6 PM in the Sanctuary – Join us for an evening of beautiful brass repertoire as trombonist Andrew McRoy presents a recital on Sunday, June 14th at 6:00 PM accompanied by pianist Christine Dore. The program will feature works by Bach, Ewazen, Pryor, and Bozza, showcasing the expressive range and virtuosity of the trombone. All are warmly invited to attend this free musical event.

Youth Group - Friday, June 12th – Please join us for an end-of-year BBQ/Fire Pit on Friday, June 12th from 4:00 - 6:00 PM in the Hartt Room and on the patio. Please RSVP...feel free to bring a friend.

Peacemaking Ministry will be in the Hartt Room during Coffee Hour on June 21st to remember those in our community who are experiencing food insecurity. Please come and see us and consider making a food or financial donation to the Ecumenical Lay Council Food Pantry at that time. Specific food pantry needs are printed each week in the bulletin. Hope to see you then!

Exciting News About Our Theater Group! Our theater group (Frankie & Jill Productions) has received a \$30,000 grant from the Presbytery of Long Island! This grant will allow them to update the stage, sound system and stage lighting for future productions. The next production is the musical *Pippin* which will be performed on July 30, 31 & August 1. More details to come.

Pioneers will meet again on Wednesday, June 10th – Senior adults are invited to join our Pioneers for their end of year BBQ. For more information, please call Sharon Noonan at 631-368-7545.

Mission Ministries is sponsoring a food and clothing drive throughout the months of June, July and August, to assist homeless men who visit the HIHI "Amigos' Cafe" in Huntington Station on weekdays. At the Cafe, guests are served breakfast and lunch. But they are also in need of clothing items. Boxes will be placed in the parking lot entrance to the church during the months of June, July and August to receive your donations. One will be marked "Food" and the other "Clothing". Here is a list of the items that have been requested: **FOOD:** hot cups, large paper plates, disposable forks and spoons, ground coffee, instant iced tea mix, oatmeal, brown sugar. **SNACKS:** (individual servings please), cookies, granola bars. **BEVERAGES:** juice, lemonade. **CLOTHING: (NEW OR GENTLY USED)** - light weight jackets, sweatpants, sweatshirts, socks, t-shirts, hats/caps - Sizes small and medium. **DONATIONS OF TOILET PAPER WOULD BE ALSO APPRECIATED.**

Prayers

Simone Seth (friend of Anita D'Amico Stambouly), Linda (Pat Bell's sister), Becky Padgett, Pegge Strella, Carol & Ray Peres, Bob Montusi (Diana's husband), Bruce Solomon (Lilli's husband), Kate Wardle (friend of the Gladdings), David Bartlebaugh (Claire Newman's brother), Bob Treanor (Susan Van Deusen's father), Rebecca Zusman (friend of Marilyn Fox), 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

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Ecumenical Lay Council Food Pantry

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Weekday Nursery School

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