

Service Of The Lord's Day

July 28, 2024

First Presbyterian Church of Newton



GATHERING IN PRAISE

*Enter expectantly. Pray quietly. Greet others cordially. Depart happily.
Serve lovingly. Return eagerly.*

A WELCOME TO THE CHURCH & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (From the Heidelberg Catechism)

Leader: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People: **That I belong - body and soul, in life and in death - not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

Leader: And so let us come together to worship!

OPENING HYMN PH #145 "Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION (w/silent confession beforehand)

Father in the heavenly realms, creator of us and all things living and non-living, to you we confess our imperfection, our humanity that pushes us to be disregarding of all that you have done and continue to do for us. We pray for the ability to work for the reformation of your church, and for the reformation of our relationship with you. A reformation that will create in us a willing heart, ready to uphold your will for us. Guide us we pray in this creation that you have made, and that we have done so much to spoil. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA PATRIA PH #579 "Glory Be to the Father"

*Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

A MESSAGE FOR THE YOUNGER OF US

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: Mark 6: 30-44

1 Corinthians 11: 17-26

SERMON

"Coming To The Communion Table"

HYMN PH #341 *"Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine"*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We as a community of faith believe that our God is the creator of the universe. We believe that our God has created all women and men equally, and that our God loves all of his creation without exception. We believe that after we refused to understand what our creator God attempted to teach us through the sending to us of people especially connected to our God, our God came to us himself in the form of a man, that man was and is Jesus Christ. We believe that Jesus Christ showed us the true love and understanding of our creator, and then brought us back into proper relationship with said creator. We believe that proper relationship is based on our creator's mercy and gift of salvation. In response, we are to remain faithful to our God's will for us. And finally, we believe that our God through Jesus Christ, left his divine spirit to be with us and to guide us in all things simple and complex. We believe in the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY PH #591

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PASTORAL & 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

CLOSING HYMN PH #525 *"Here I Am Lord"*

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**We thank our Worship Leader Daele Phlegar
and Ushers/Greeters Ella Howell**

**CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AT
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NEWTON
Week of July 28, 2024**

- Sun. 7/28 **9:00 am Adult Study & Prayer** (Adult Study Room)
 10:00 am Worship (location depending on weather)
 11:00 Punch on the Patio
- Mon. 7/29 **10:00 am Wired Word** via Zoom
- Wed. 7/31 **9:00 am to 12 noon Summer Serve -
Project Self-Sufficiency Children's Garden**

8:00 pm Midweek Vespers via Zoom
- Thurs. 8/1 **5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Come to the Table (VBS)** (Fellowship Hall)
- Fri. 8/2 **Church Office Closed**

1:00 - 3:00 pm Hearts and Hands Craft Group (Adult Study Room)
- Sun. 8/4 **9:00 am Adult Study & Prayer** (Adult Study Room)
 10:00 am Worship with Communion (location depending on weather)
 11:00 Punch on the Patio

Our service can also be found on our YouTube channel sometime after 3 pm.
Go to: www.YouTube.com and search for: fpcnewtonnj

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