

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Sing Ye, Joyfully!”
The Chancel Choir

Don Besig

***DOXOLOGY**

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION**HYMN NO. 738, v. 1&3****“O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”**

MARYTON

BENEDICTION*POSTLUDE****“Now Thank We All Our God”**

J.S. Bach
Arr. by Virgil Fox

***All who are able are invited to stand.**

The congregation is encouraged to read those portions that appear in **boldface** type.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given in loving memory of Kim Gilbert's father, Tony Penfold.

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church of Northport

Please pray for members and friends of our congregation -

For all those who are suffering as a result of the coronavirus, essential employees who go to work so we can be safe and healthy, Sean (Pegge Strella's nephew), Demetra Innes (Deidre Gehrke's friend), Susan Harmon (Audrey & Bob Van Deusen's niece), Donna Munday (Ron Mercer's sister-in-law), Hope Black (Libby Yoskowitz's mother), Alex Broad (Mary Blondrage's nephew) Brianna Maglio (Pastor Rachel's daughter's friend), Raymond J. Janis, Jr. (friend of Dennis Crowley), Todd Dobert (friend of Sue & Eddy Ebert), John Bailey (David Dickman's cousin), Justin Yoskowitz, Lou Schmidt, Aaron Thomas, Brian Brewer (Faustine White's son), the family of: Howard Heckman, Jr. (Diane Lobaugh's cousin), Anthony Penfold (Kim Gilbert's father), **those in Healthcare facilities** – Whisper Woods of Smithtown: Art Shaw, Sunrise Senior Living: Joan DeNigris, Atria: Ann Deery, **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

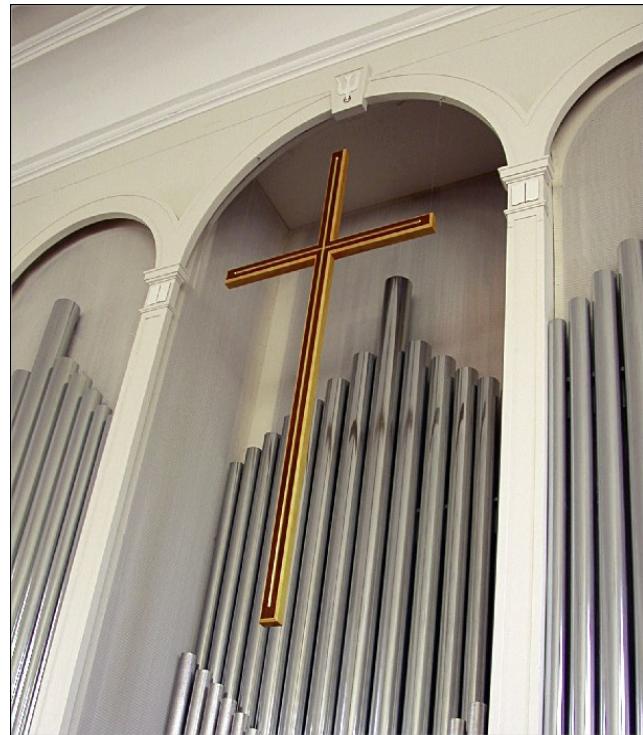
Offering

Offering plates will not be passed in the pews during worship. There are offering plates at the entrances to the sanctuary to receive your offering, or you may give online at www.fpcnorthport.org

Coffee Hour

All are invited to a time of fellowship following the worship service this morning. Bottled water, coffee, and pre-packaged snacks will be available. Please join us outside on the Memorial Garden patio, or in the Hartt Room in case of rain.

The First Presbyterian Church of Northport



**330 MAIN STREET
NORTHPORT, NEW YORK**

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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SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

17th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m.

September 19, 2021

~We Gather in God's Name~

+PRELUDE

"*Adagio from Sonata II, Op. 65*"
Dr. Brenda Clark

Felix Mendelssohn

WELCOME

Rev. Rachel Vione

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

We rejoice and praise Your holy name today, O Lord,
Because you have kept us from a destructive path.

We give thanks because Your word gives us hope,
And we reflect on Your word at all times.

You are the Source of deep-seated faith,
And our spirits are refreshed in your presence!

*HYMN NO. 409, v.1&4

"*God Is Here*"

ABBOT'S LEIGH

CALL TO CONFESSON

PRAYER OF CONFESSON (in unison)

Holy God, we make so many mistakes. The words that come out of mouths tear down instead of build up. We compete to say our piece rather than listen to one another. At times, our hurt and brokenness gets in the way of true dialogue. Forgive us, God. Help us to listen to your Spirit. Guide us in our speech, so we can use our words to build bridges to each other.

(Moment of silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

We invite you to share a sign of reconciliation and friendship with one another.
If you are comfortable, turn to those around you and offer a smile or a hand over your heart,
using the following words:

The peace of Christ be with you,
and also with you.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

"*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.*

Hymn No. 581

~We Hear God's Word~

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 9:30-37

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

SERMON

" G.O.A.T. "

Rev. Rachel Vione

~We Respond As God's People~

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

(A Brief Statement of Faith)

The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

*SUNG RESPONSE

Hymn No. 1, v. 1

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!*

NICAEA

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray...

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.

THE OFFERING

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