



First Presbyterian Church of
NORTHPORT

2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 16th, 2022



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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SUNDAY, JANUARY 16^H, 2022

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~We Gather in God's Name~

+PRELUDE

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"
"I want to walk as a child of the light, I want to be like Jesus"

Wayne L. Wold

Dr. Brenda Clark

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Rachel Vione.

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

from Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Come, behold the works of the Lord; Be still, and know that I am God!

*HYMN NO. 156

"Sing of God Made Manifest"

SALZBURG

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Based on 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

You have blessed us with a variety of gifts, Holy God, but we are reluctant to share. We hoard what is most valuable and make excuses for ourselves when called to share. The Spirit has blessed each of us uniquely, but we hide our light under a bushel and fail to rise to our potential. God, forgive us and embolden us. Help us to claim our gifts and put them to good use.

(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.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Arise Your Light is Come!”

Hymn No 744 v. 1

*Arise, your light is come! The Spirit’s call obey;
Show forth the glory of your God, which shines on you today.*

~We Hear God’s Word~

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.” Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Living Cross-Shaped Lives”

Rev. Rachel Vione

~We Respond As God’s People~

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

from A Brief Statement of Faith

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 and sedition, 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, delivering us from death to life eternal.**

*SUNG RESPONSE

“Love Has Come”

Hymn No. 110 v.1

Love has come: a light in the darkness! Love shines forth in the Bethlehem skies.
See, all heaven has come to proclaim it; hear how their song of joy arises: Love! Love!
Born unto you, a Savior! Love! Love! Glory to God on high.

OFFERING

Please give online at www.fpcnorthport.org

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“A Jubilant Song”
Chancel Choir

Mary Lynn Lightfoot

*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

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. 339

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

LIFT EVERY VOICE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"March in B Flat"

Edmondstone Duncan

Announcements

The Membership-sponsored Wednesday Zoom Prayer group meets every Wednesday at 12:00 noon.
Zoom ID: 776 017 8040 Password: Pray21

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) -- Help our brothers and sisters affected by the recent tornadoes by donating to the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) program of the PC(USA). Checks can be made out to the church with "PDA Tornadoes" in the memo, or by donation online at www.pcusa.org.

Stewardship Update Thank you to everyone who has pledged for 2022. We're off to a good start! If you have not yet pledged, please do so either online, in church, or by mailing your 2022 pledge card to the church office. Every pledge counts!

Youth and Sunday School Classes Group will resume in February.

2022 Confirmation Class – there will be an introductory meeting on Wednesday, January 19th at 7 p.m. via Zoom for all youth in grades 9-11. Confirmation Sunday is June 5, 2022.

Presbyterian Women (PW) Book Discussion The next PW book discussion will be about the book called "The Hello Girls" by Elizabeth Cobbs. This book is a work of historical fiction about WWI telephone operators. Please watch the bulletin for the discussion date.

Saturday Hikes: The Membership Ministry hosts Saturday morning hikes at Sunken Meadow State Park the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month, weather permitting. Join us at 10:00 am for a nice morning of conversation and walking with other church members. We meet in the far eastern parking lot where there's access to both the boardwalk and the beach/cliff trails. Hope to hike with you soon!

Winter New Members Class -- New Year, New Church!! There will be a new members class in Mid-January for anyone who wishes to join the church in the New Year. The class is for anyone who would like to find out more information about joining the church or asking any questions about what it means to be a member at FPC. Watch your bulletin and email for more information.

Prayers

Todd Pierce, Gary Sandel, Rosalie Heckman Torres (family member of Diane Lobaugh), Justin Yoskowitz, Aaron Thomas, Brian Brewer (Faustine White's son), **the family of:** Joan Denigris, **those in Healthcare facilities** – Whisper Woods of Smithtown: Art Shaw, St. Catherine of Siena Nursing & Rehabilitation Center: 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

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.)

Online Prayer Service and Check in with Pastor Rachel – Our Zoom Prayer Group meets every Wednesdays at Noon. Please join us as we lift up our prayers for one another and for the world.

The Zoom information is the same each week:

Meeting ID: 7760178040

Passcode: Pray 21

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 "Big Blue Bin" near 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."

Specific Pantry Needs

The food pantry is in need of the following items: flour, sugar, spices, ketchup, salad dressing.

Contact Information

Church Office

Phone: (631) 261-6434

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Website: www.fpcnorthport.org

Ecumenical Lay Council Food Pantry

Phone: (631) 261-4357

Weekday Nursery School

Phone: (631) 757-1342

Email: info@weekdaynorthport.com

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