

# *The First Presbyterian Church* *in the City of New York*

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## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Service for the Lord's Day*

November 14th, 2021 | 11:00 a.m.

*The Session and members of First Church extend a sincere welcome to all persons regardless of race, nationality, gender, or sexual orientation. This includes an open invitation to membership, the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper, marriage, funerals, memorial services, and service as an officer of the church.*

### GATHERING

*The peace candle represents our prayers for peace in a broken world. The congregation is asked to offer prayers of intercession for one another and for those who lead worship.*

PRELUDE

"Lamento"

George Baker

PEALING OF THE CARILLON

WELCOME

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Prayer by Clement of Rome, AD 99

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

**O God Almighty:  
grant us, we pray,  
to be grounded and settled in your truth  
by the coming down of the Holy Spirit into our hearts.  
That which we know not, reveal;  
that which is wanting in us, fill up;  
that which we know, confirm;  
and keep us blameless in your service;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

HYMN 756

"O God of Every Nation"

LLANGLOFFAN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Blessed God,  
who caused all holy scripture to be written for our learning,  
you call us to lives of holiness and faithfulness.  
We have fallen short of your calling for our lives.  
Forgive our sins.**

Cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  
 When we are weary, help us to do what is right.  
 Do not let us be led astray.  
 Let your love, steadfast and faithful,  
 be our guide from heaven,  
 may your peace bend our will to your will,  
 like trees in a strong wind.  
 Signs of heaven, sighs of hope.  
 Hear us as we pray in silence...

## SILENT CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## RESPONSE

TULON



Our hope is in no oth - er save in thee; our faith is built up -  
 on thy prom - ise free; Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and  
 sure, that in thy strength we ev - er - more en - dure.

## SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

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

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND CHILDREN'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,  
 the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## HEARING THE WORD

## FIRST LESSON

Daniel 12:1-3  
*pew Bible, Old Testament page 834/large print, Old Testament page 1022*

## ANTHEM

South African

Freedom is coming. O yes, I know.  
 Jesus is coming. O yes, I know.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from the Heidelberg Catechism, 1562

Please stand in body or spirit.

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?  
**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.**

OFFERTORY


Felix Mendelssohn

And then shall your light break forth as the light of morning breaketh, and your health shall speedily spring forth then; and the glory of the Lord ever shall reward you. Lord our Creator, how excellent thy Name is in all the nations! Thou fillest heaven with thy glory. Amen!  
—Isaiah 58:8, Psalm 8:1

RESPONSE

OLD HUNDERETH

Please stand in body or spirit.




Traditional

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Him, all crea - tures


Inclusive

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise Christ, all peo - ple



here be - low; praise Him a - bove, ye heaven - ly host;

here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more;



praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

## SENDING

### HYMN 840

*Please stand in body or spirit.*

“When Peace Like a River”

VILLE DU HAVRE

### BLESSING

### POSTLUDE

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word”

Jan Bender

*The congregation is invited to continue worshiping through the postlude,  
which is offered as a thanksgiving to God.*

### RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM TODAY

Tucker Churchill Bal

Son of Elise Schmidt Bal and Alexander Sanjeev Bal

### LEADING THIS MORNING

Father Vincent D'Agostino, *Administrator – Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, Park Ridge, New Jersey*

Rev. Dr. Barbara Davis, *Executive Minister*

Rev. Dr. Greg Stovell, *Pastor/Head of Staff*

Audrey Webber, M.Div., *Associate for Hospitality and Visual Arts*

The First Church Choir

Michael Shake, *Organist and Director of Music*

### Welcome to First Church!

We are so glad you are here.

Scan to give your tithe or offering.



Join us for Coffee Fellowship on the North Lawn  
after the Postlude to meet one another, say hello  
to new faces, and enjoy refreshments.

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