

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

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Service for the Lord's Day

July 3rd, 2022 | 11 a.m.



Paula Jordan, *Jesus and Peter on the Water*, 1949, Charcoal drawing on plywood.

WELCOME TO FIRST CHURCH!

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.

Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church in the City of New York. Over 800 members call this place our spiritual home and we are grateful you are worshiping with us today. We believe First Church is a community of people called to stand on the intersection of faith and life as we witness to the love, grace and justice of God for all people.

Wherever you are in your journey of faith, I pray today's service will be a blessing for you. If this is your first time here, a member of the pastoral staff would love to greet you at the door and answer any questions you may have about the life and ministries of this church.

We are glad you are here. May you experience God's welcome in this place today!

Greg Stovell
Senior Pastor

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

GET INVOLVED



GIVE



INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP?



GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Trumpet Tune in D Major”

David N. Johnson

PEALING OF THE CARILLON

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 85:8-13, CEB

Please stand in body or spirit.

**Let me hear what the Lord God says,
because God speaks peace to the people and to the faithful ones.
Don't let them return to foolish ways.
God's salvation is very close to those who honor God
so that God's glory can live in our land.
Faithful love and truth have met;
righteousness and peace have kissed.
Truth springs up from the ground;
righteousness gazes down from heaven.
Yes, the Lord gives what is good,
and our land yields its produce.
Righteousness walks before God,
making a road for God's steps.**

HYMN 11

“Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud”

ABERYSTWYTH

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

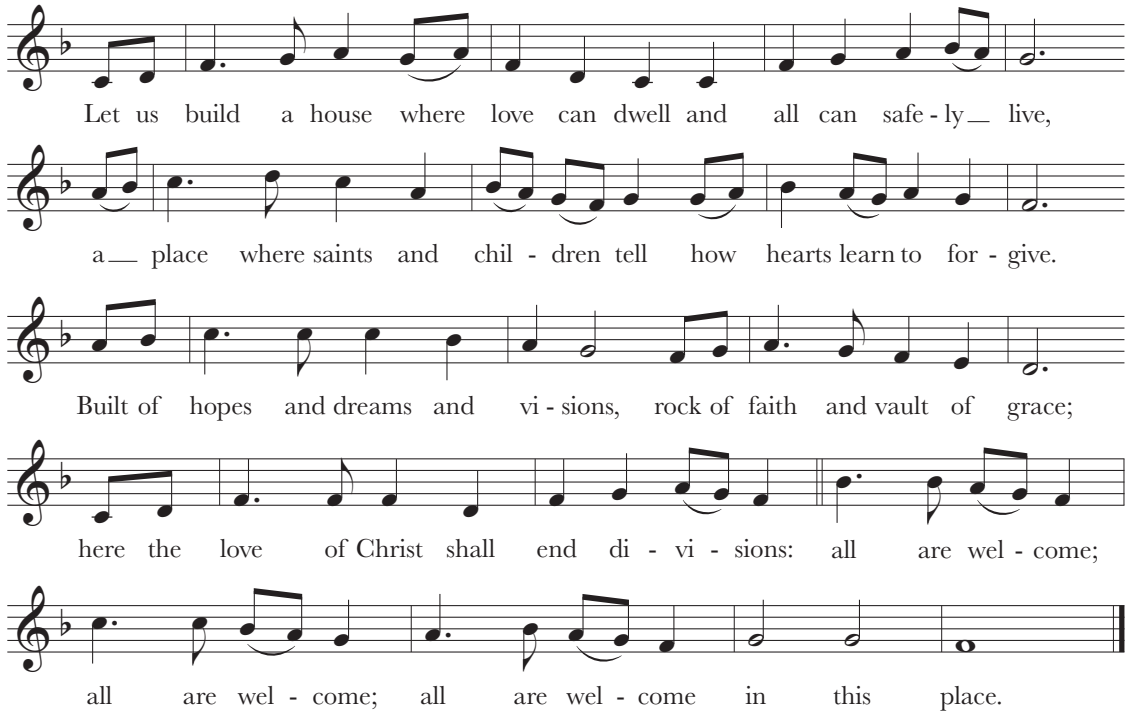
**Gracious God, we mean to do good, but we forget.
We get distracted by selfish concerns, seduced by fleeting desires.
We lose heart, forgetting that you are with us and there is no need to fear.
Forgive us, and help us to do your will,
convinced of your righteousness
but not self-righteous in our convictions,
knowing it is your grace, your light,
your truth that guides our feet in the way of peace...**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE

TWO OAKS



Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly_ live,
a_ place where saints and chil - dren tell how hearts learn to for - give.
Built of hopes and dreams and vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions: all are wel - come;
all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE AND SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

ANTHEM

Henry Loosemore

O Lord, increase my faith, strengthen me and confirm me in Thy true faith, endue me with wisdom, charity, and patience. In all my adversity, Sweet Jesus, say Amen.

-1662 Book of Common Prayer

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 14:22-33

pew Bible, New Testament page 16/large print, New Testament page 19

SERMON

“Winds of Change”

Rev. Dr. Barbara Davis

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

PROSPECT

Please stand in body or spirit.



1. We thank you for the bet - ter_ days when we may
2. In_ ease or_ pain, in life and death, to_ you our



smile to_ greet the sun, to_ do your work with
frag - ile_ lives be - long, and_ so we_ trust_ you_



clear - ing mind, and bless your name when day is done.
in all_ things. You are our hope, our health, our song.

OFFERTORY

African American spiritual; arr. Nolan Williams Jr.

The text may be found in Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal, 775.

DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT THANKSGIVING

SANCTUS

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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

HYMN 463

Please stand in body or spirit.

“How Firm a Foundation”

FOUNDATION

BLESSING

CHORAL RESPONSE

Anglican Chant, George S. Talbot

O praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power. Praise him in his noble acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him in the sound of the trumpet: praise him upon the lute and harp. Praise him upon the timbrels and dances: praise him upon the strings and pipe. Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals: praise him on the loud cymbals. Let everything that hath breath: praise the Lord!

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. -Psalm 150

POSTLUDE

“Toccatto on *How Firm a Foundation*”

Claude L. Murphree

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

WORSHIP NOTE Our affirmation of faith for July will be sung by the congregation – two stanzas from the hymn, “When We Must Bear Persistent Pain.” (*Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal*, 807). Carl Daw, Jr., in *Glory to God: A Companion* writes, “Some of the most valuable hymn texts are those that rise out of the author’s own experience yet can benefit the singing community to whom they are offered. Such is the case here with a text that emerges from the author’s (Ruth Duck) ongoing suffering from recurring migraine headaches. Because she uses the wider category of “persistent pain,” [Duck] is able to speak to and for a much larger constituency.” Theologian Martha L. Moore-Keish writes, “this hymn wrestles with the realities of suffering in the light of the faithful presence of God.” (from *JAMES: Belief: A Theological Commentary on the Bible*, Westminster John Knox Press, 2019)

LEADING THIS MORNING

Rev. Dr. Barbara Davis, *Executive Minister*
Audrey Webber, M.Div., *Associate for Hospitality and Visual Arts*

The First Church Summer Choir
Michael Shake, *Organist and Director of Music*

THIS WEEK AT FIRST

Today

11:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
12:00 p.m. Coffee Fellowship

Wednesday

12:30 p.m. Bible Study

Friday

7:00 p.m. Current Events

Saturday

10:15 a.m. St. Joe's Soup Kitchen

Next Sunday

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12:00 p.m. Coffee Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Bible Study Join us for Bible Study the first three Wednesdays in July at 12:30 p.m. on Zoom only. As we continue our three-year study of the entire Bible, our July study is focusing on the Gospel of Mark.

Summer Choir The First Church Choir invites you to join them to lead worship this summer! The choir will meet every Sunday through July 31 at 9:30 a.m. to rehearse music for 11:00 a.m. worship. Participation is flexible – sing one or more Sundays of your choosing. Interested? Contact Michael Shake (mshake@fpcnyc.org).

Vacation Bible School VBS is scheduled for July 25-28 this year! We hope you will mark your calendars and join us for these special days! Sign up link can be found in our First Matters Weekly Newsletter. Interested in volunteering? Email Barbara Davis (bdavis@fpcnyc.org) to volunteer!

Refugees and Immigration Action Group Volunteer Opportunity We have a new family from Honduras that came to us through Church World Service. Astrid, Emmanuel, and their 4-year-old son Tyronne who is autistic are staying in a transitional home in the Bronx and they need help with some things. If you would like to learn more or are interested in contributing items, helping with English lessons or bringing things to the Bronx, please contact Eileen Choi (eileenhc@gmail.com).

Pasquale Cuppari Art Show Visit our next art show in the Great Hall Gallery hosted by the Art at First Action Group. The evening opening will take place July 13 at 6:30 p.m. and the Sunday opening will be July 17 after worship.



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Join us for a special screening of

Welcome to Chechnya

The **LGBTQ+ Group** at First Presbyterian Church NYC invites you to a special screening of the award-winning documentary

Welcome to Chechnya

with a question and answer opportunity after the film.

Thursday, July 14, 2022

First Presbyterian Church NYC
12 West 12th Street New York, NY

6:30pmRefreshments
7:00pm**Welcome to Chechnya**
8:45pm(approx.) Q&A

The **LGBTQ+ Group** at First Presbyterian Church NYC is proud to present this film to support our relationship with **Rainbow Railroad**, a global non-for-profit organization that helps LGBTQ+ people facing persecution based on their sexual orientation, gender identity and sex characteristics.

To RSVP for this free and limited seating event, email us at events@rainbowrailroad.org OR [click here to register](#).

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