



First Presbyterian Church

CHRIST'S JOY, JUSTICE AND COMPASSION IN ALL, THROUGH
ALL, AND FOR ALL

May 31, 2026; 10:00 AM | Trinity Sunday

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GATHERING

Handbell Chimes – *The ringing of the chimes invites you to a time of Rest...Renewal...Hope*

Prelude

Lucas Brown, piano

Opening Litany

One: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit:

All: Glory to you forever!

One: Speaker, Word, and Breath of Life:

All: Glory to you forever!

One: Font of Blessing, Living Water, Flowing River:

All: Glory to you forever!

One: Lover, Beloved, and Love itself:

All: Glory to you forever!

One: Rainbow of Promise, Ark of Salvation, Dove of Peace:

All: Glory to you forever!

One: God who was, God who is, God who is to come:

All: Glory to you forever!

One: Almighty and ever-living God, you have given us grace, by our confession of faith, to acknowledge and worship your triune name in the majesty of your unity. Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your eternal glory, one God, now and forever. Amen.

* **Hymn** #1 ["Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"](#)

***Invitation to Experience God's Grace** (John 3:16)

One: For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish, but have eternal life. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

*Prayer of Confession

All: God of grace, love, and communion, we confess that we have failed to love you with all our heart, soul, and mind; and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We ignore your commandments, stray from your way, and follow other gods.

Have mercy on us. Forgive our sin and raise us to new life that we may serve you faithfully and give honor to your holy name.

* **Silent Prayers of Confession**

***Declaration of Forgiveness** (John 3:17)

One: God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

***We Celebrate God's Forgiveness #581 "Glory Be To the Father" (GLORIA PATRI)**

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

One: As God has forgiven us, let us forgive one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

The Sacrament of Baptism

- Leni Frances Longo, daughter of Taylor and Francis Longo

Celebrating the Life of the Church

THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

All: **Holy One, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak, and to give all glory, honor, and praise to your threefold name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Scripture Reading: Matthew 28:16-20

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit 20 and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

One: Happy are those who delight in God's word.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "On a Mission from God" Rev. Marvin Lindsay

* **Affirmation of Faith** "The Nicene Creed," pp. 34 in the *Glory to God* hymnal

GIVE THANKS

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer pp. 35 in *Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal*

Practicing Abundant Generosity

Please use this time to express your gratitude to God by using the offering plates or the online tools below to contribute to the needs of the Church and the world.

<https://onrealm.org/FirstPresbyteri11244/give/now>



Offertory: Holy, Holy - Jimmy Owens ~ Lucas Brown, piano

* **Hymn of Dedication:** #606 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” (DOXOLOGY)

* **Prayer of Dedication**

LEAVE TO SERVE

***Hymn #488** [“I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry”](#)

Sending Music The Lord Is Blessing Me Right Now ~ Lucas Brown, piano

Please use the Sending Music time and music to reflect on today's worship experience and how it will support you in the week to come.

* *Please stand, in body or in spirit*

WORSHIP NOTES

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH! It is good to have you here in person or online. Please be in touch if you have news to share or would like more information or to talk to a pastor. Staff contact information is below. Read full announcements in our weekly [email newsletter](#), available on the church website. Subscribe on the [Contact Us](#) tab.

NURSERY care is available during worship (9:30 - 11:15) for those with young children. The nursery is located in Preschool Hallway 1R, Room 103.

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NEWS AND EVENTS

TO REQUEST A RIDE TO WORSHIP, call the church at 856-429-1960, ext. 103. Leave a message (including your phone number), and a deacon will call you back regarding your request. **Transportation requests must be received no later than the Tuesday prior to the Sunday when the ride is needed.** Questions? Call **Sophia Oswald** at 856-528-6856 or email her at sophiadurand@gmail.com. You can also sign up to be a driver [HERE](#). You can also click the link in the weekly newsletter under **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**.

After-worship hospitality is enjoyed by all. Volunteers make coffee and tea and provide cookies, crackers, pastries and other treats. You can sign up using the link under “Volunteer Opportunities” in the weekly newsletter and the bulletin. Questions? Contact Joan Fiorella at

jmfiorella@gmail.com or Pete Hurd at phurd75@gmail.com.

REMINDER: [PER CAPITA is due](#). For 2026 Per Capita is \$40.00 per confirmed member.

Care and Share continues to be a valuable ministry for our congregation. If you are in need of meals or know someone who is, email pegmanochi@gmail.com or message her at 609-230-4158.

THANK YOU BUDGET TASK FORCE!

With graduations, doctor's appointments and craziness at work, I have not had the opportunity to formally thank the amazing people who volunteered to serve on the Budget Task Force this year.

This group of dedicated people met twice a week for three months and initially reviewed, with intense scrutiny, every line in the budget- confirming, as best as possible, the accuracy of each amount (revenues and expenses)- which added to the original deficit and now approached \$60,000.

With the success of the Stewardship Campaign, a bold decision about per Capita and sacrifices from the Mission Committee, we were able to get close.

Late in the process, it was requested that no staff changes of any kind be made- only making getting to the finish line more challenging. With some additional hard work and some "outside the box" thinking, we were able to access a restricted fund from the Music Department to submit a balanced budget!

I would be remiss not to mention Bud Miller, who felt strongly enough about this process to volunteer even though he was not in the best of health. I can only speculate that his love for the church, his commitment to the way we worship, and the music he was involved with his entire church life were motivations for his decision. Thank you Bud.

It has been an honor and privilege to work with these amazing people and hope, when you see them in Fellowship Hall for Worship over the summer, you thank them for their efforts. My gratitude for them cannot be expressed to the extent it should.

Lee Federline- Chair

The Budget Task Force: Maggie Sell, Lisa Hurd, Rich Woodland, Gene Spinelli, Brian McGlade, Peter Seibert, and of course, Bud Miller

CHURCH PICNIC - This week's weather already has felt like summer and soon Memorial Day will really get the summer activities started. Mark your calendars now for one being planned for you by the deacons on Sunday, June 7th - a barbecue with burgers, hot dogs & sausages outside by the playground following service that morning in Fellowship Hall.

Children's summer church will begin Sunday, June 14 and run through Sunday, August 9. The nursery will be open and available every Sunday. If you would like to help with Children's Church some Sunday or with Vacation Bible School from July 27-31, please contact Lauren Sewall (laurenl@haddonfieldpres.org) or Deb Nussbaum



(debranussbaum1987@gmail.com). We are in need of Shepherds for VBS! To sign up you must be at least 12 years old. Scan the QR Code to sign up now!

The Prison Ministry is in need of some jigsaw puzzles for the ladies at the Camden County Jail. Please place them in the Prison Ministry closet or give them to Judy Blank or Karen Andres. We thank you for your generosity!

The 12th annual National Gun Violence Awareness Week begins with **WEAR ORANGE Weekend June 5th - 7th** to promote gun safety and remember victims of gun violence. Next week we are asked to wear orange clothing and ribbons to honor victims of gun violence. **On Monday June 8th** you're invited to the **6pm Wear Orange concert at Wiggins Park, Camden**. There is so much more that we can do. What would you do to prevent the #1 cause of death for children, youth and young adults in America? You can learn more about our denomination's stance on gun violence and ways you can help protect children and people in crisis on the tables in Fellowship Hall, on the Justice and Advocacy page of our church's website and on the hallway bulletin boards.

St. Wilfrid's Update: Our church community has been incredibly generous in donating clothing, diapers, wipes, and toiletries to our neighbors in Camden through The Open Door at St. Wilfrids. We have one more request: as the temperatures rise, box fans become a crucial need for the Camden community during the hot summer months. Most of the people we serve at St. Wilfrids cannot afford air conditioners or even the power to run them. Box fans are an excellent alternative that can make a significant difference for those we serve. They usually live in row homes or small apartments with limited ventilation. Box fans are available for purchase at Walmart and Target for \$20 to \$25. You can drop off your fan donation at the alcove closest to the Playground door. If its more convenient, you can have them sent to: Norman Valentine, 4223 Remington Ave, Pennsauken NJ 08110. Thanks for considering a fan donation.

If you are interested in helping with VBS two, three or five mornings that week, email Lauren LaRosa Sewall at lauren@haddonfieldpres.org or see Rachel Davis or Deb Nussbaum at church. We need adults to work in outdoor recreation, Bible story time, science, crafts and snack time. We also need teen helpers (6th to 12th grade) for the week. If you are available that week, please contact Eric Walker: ewalker@haddonfieldpres.org.

2026 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Pledge Giving:	201,782	Budget:	455,000
Non-pledge giving:	41,272	Budget:	120,000
Per Capita:	7,735	Budget:	9,000
Loose:	3,645	Budget:	9,000

LAST WEEK'S WORSHIP ATTENDANCE: 51 in person and 29 online

Prayer List
May 31, 2026

To add a request to the Prayer List please contact Rev. Marvin or email

support@haddonfieldpres.org. When requesting prayers on behalf of others, obtain the permission of the person needing prayer. The requestor will have their name printed as the originator of the need. Prayers will be on the list for 30 days. After 30 days please contact Rev. Marvin or the support account for its continuance.

Please pray for these individuals and situations throughout the week:

- We pray that First Presbyterian Church will be a vibrant, engaged, financially stable church community, living into our vision of Christ's joy, justice, and compassion in all, through all, and for all.
- Please pray for a just and lasting peace wherever there is war and violence, especially in **Ukraine** and the **Middle East**.
- We pray for **liberty and justice for all**.
- Prayer requests from the Good Ladies visit to Camden County Jail:
 - **Gabriel** - Prayers for Gabriel and her family.
 - Aleesa - Prayers for love and happiness and good health. Pray that she can love and be loved.
 - **Fertima** - Prayers for forgiveness. Pray the judge will show his mercy on her. Prayers for protection for her kids (Aryay and Kadafi) and her brother, Kurrian. Pray that Fertima has a closer walk with God and her mind and body will be healed.
 - **Tiffany** - Prayers for Tiffany, son, mom, family and friends. Pray for her health, safety and that she is saved. Prayers for a new healthy future including a job/career. Pray for her husband and daughters.
 - **Siahni** - Pray for Siahni's mom and grandmom and for their recovery from illness.
 - **Tracie** - Prayers for her children, her husband and herself and Mr. Elvin. Pray that Tracie will be going home soon to be with her children and everything will work out for the best.
 - **Denise** - Prayers that Denise will get the surgery she needs on her stomach and will have a successful recovery.
 - **Brianna** - Prayers for a quick release date so she can get back to her child and spend time with him.
- Remember **Amy** in your prayers, who is battling cervical cancer (**5/28-K. Bell**).
- Please pray for **Isabel Pross** and her family and friends (**5/25-W. Pross**).
- Please pray for **Joan Miller**, Joan's children and grandchildren. Joan's husband **Bud** died Sunday, May 24 (**5/24-M. Lindsay**).
- Thank you for your prayers for **Grace**, her husband, **Bob**, and her parents, **Sue** and **Tad**. Grace is doing much better and has been transferred to a rehab facility to regain her strength! (**5/21-B. Bell**).
- Remember **Nancy Ruth Wainwright** in your prayers. She is recovering at home after a short hospital stay (**05/19-NR Wainwright**).
- Pray for **Kathleen Federline** who is having surgery for breast cancer in early June (**5/18-L. Federline**).
- Prayers of thanksgiving for **Rose Guthrie** who continues to get stronger after surgery and radiation for a benign brain tumor. She will have follow up tests in a few months (**5/15-R. Guthrie**).

- Pray for **Kathy**, a former HMHS teacher who has been battling cancer and recently suffered a stroke (05/09-D. Hagy).
- Remember **Allison MacDonald** who was hospitalized earlier this month to treat an infection (5/06-A. MacDonald).
- Pray for **Fannie**, who is being treated for uterine and stomach cancer (5/04-T. Adkins).
- Remember **Steve Pazan** in your prayers as he awaits test results (5/4-S. Pazan).
- Please pray for **Dan Eckert**, a police officer injured in a plane crash as the pilot lost control and collided into a tree. Dan is a Haddon Township graduate (5/01- B. Sewall).
- Continued prayers are asked for **Gene** whose cancer treatments are ongoing. He appreciates the prayers (5/1-R. Wright).
- Pray for **Olivia Bowerman**, age 17, who was severely injured in a car accident on April 24, along with the driver, **Aleeha** (4/26-T. Adkins).
- Pray for **Carolann**, who is being treated for cancer (4/7-J. Fiorella).

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CHURCH OFFICERS

The Session
 (David Stedman, Clerk)

Elders, Class of 2026	Elders, Class of 2027	Elders, Class of 2028
Vani Elgart	Bud Miller	Rebecca Earnhardt
Lee Federline	Kristin Carberry	Katie Nelson-Mueller
Lexa Liggera (youth)	Lisa Hurd	Mark Oswald
Brian McGlade	Rich Kouhoupt	Steve Pazan
Margaret O’Neil	Deb Nussbaum	Betsy Westermaier
Gene Spinelli	Peter Seibert	Barry Wilhjelms
Rich Woodland	Maggie Sell	

The Board of Deacons

Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
Thomas Andrews (youth)	Kathy Bell	Terry Carpenter (chair)
Michael Liggera	Joan Fiorella	Pete Hurd
Peg Manochi	Jim Groeling	Jack O'Malley
Liz Olson	Pat MacCluen	Cheryl Federline Peric
Sophia Oswald	Janet Shoemaker	Larry Rugen
Finnley Ritter (youth)	Judy Sikora	Jeremy Scott
John Wackes	Diane Thorne	Alan Stedman
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“The unity of believers in Christ is reflected in the rich diversity of the Church’s membership. In Christ, by the power of the Spirit, God unites persons through baptism regardless of race, ethnicity, age, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, geography, or theological conviction.” (*The Book of Order* F-1.0403).