

First Presbyterian Church



309 Lincoln Street, Johnstown, Pennsylvania 15901

Vision Statement ~ We seek to become a Christian people of Spiritual Vitality and Faithfulness embraced by the love of God in Jesus Christ, through the Holy Spirit, as we love God and our neighbors, near and far.

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

June 7, 2026 Rev. Danielle Kendig, *Minister* • Joyce Gerlach, *Liturgist* 10:00 A.M.

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP Good morning and welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church. What a blessing to take time away from life's busyness to rest in God's presence. As you listen to the prelude, please read over the service in the bulletin and meditate on the words, so that they may be an inspiration to you as you worship.

*Signifies to please stand if you are able.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

THE PRELUDE

"Be Still, My Soul"

Sibelius

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING HYMN #322 "Spirit of the Living God"

Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me; Spirit of the Living God, Fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP** Psalm 19 and John 1

Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God, and creation sings of God's handiwork.

People: **Day after day, the world around us speaks of God's presence.**

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

People: **Christ is the light that shines in the darkness.**

Leader: God is still speaking: through scripture, through creation, through the Spirit moving among us. Let us listen with open hearts and worship the Lord.

ALL: **Let us worship the Triune God!**

***THE OPENING PRAYER** John 1:1-14

Living and speaking God, you formed the world with your Word and continue to speak life into our hearts even now. Open our ears this day to hear your voice in scripture, in prayer, in music, in silence, and in the quiet moments we too often rush past. Slow our spirits enough to notice your presence among us. Guide our worship, shape our thoughts, and draw us closer to Christ, the Living Word made flesh. In his holy name we pray. Amen.

***THE OPENING HYMN #267 “All Things Bright and Beautiful”**

***THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

***THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Psalm 19:12-14

Begin in silence, reading over the Prayer of Confession and preparing to pray it together.

Holy God, we confess that we do not always listen for your voice. We fill our lives with noise and distraction, rushing from one thing to another without pausing to notice your presence. You speak through scripture, through creation, through acts of love and mercy, yet we often fail to pay attention. Forgive us for the ways we ignore your wisdom, resist your guidance, or close our hearts to your Spirit. Quiet the noise within us, O God. Teach us again how to listen. Open our hearts to your truth and lead us in the way of Christ. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.

***THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON** John 1:14

Leader: Friends, hear the good news: The Word became flesh and lived among us, full of grace and truth. God has not abandoned us, and God does not stop speaking words of mercy, love, and hope. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and called again to listen for God’s voice.

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

***THE RESPONSE #579** **“The Gloria Patri”**

*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.*

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST** John 1:14

Leader: Christ is the Living Word who came into the world not to divide us, but to draw us together in grace, mercy, and love. As people who have received the peace of Christ, let us now share that peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 19:1-6, 7-14 Pg. #481

THE GOSPEL READING John 1:1-5, 9-14 Pg. #87

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

THE MESSAGE

“Still Speaking”

Rev. Danielle Kendig

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*THE HYMN OF RESPONSE #280 "Amazing Grace"

*PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

"The Sands of Time"

D'Urhan

*THE DOXOLOGY #592 and PRAYER OF DEDICATION Matthew 5: 14-16 & 1 Peter 4:10
Gracious God, receive these gifts and use them for your purposes. May they help bring light, hope, comfort, and love into the world around us. Continue speaking through this church and through the lives of your people, that others may come to know your grace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE PRAYERS AND PRAISES OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*THE CLOSING HYMN #464 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE POSTLUDE

"Andante in E Minor"

Boely

During the Postlude, you are welcome to stay and pray, simply enjoy the music, or head out into the world to meet the rest of your day, whichever is preferable to you.

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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

MONDAY 6:30 PM NAR-ANON
NEXT SUNDAY 10:00 AM WORSHIP

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK: Blair, Cherry

WE EXTEND a friendly welcome to all who are visiting with us today. If you would like to learn more about First Presbyterian Church, please let the pastor know after the service.

PARISH NURSE Pat Betts will be in the office Tuesday and Thursday from 9:00 AM to Noon. Please feel free to stop by or give her a call.

VISION & HEARING ASSISTANCE Large print hymnals and wireless hearing devices are available from the Deacons.

IF YOU ARE AWARE of anyone who has any health concerns and would appreciate a phone call or visit and prayer, please let Rev. Danielle, Pat Betts or the office know. Also, if you are admitted to the hospital and would like a visit, be sure to let the hospital staff know or contact Pat or the office.

NON-PERISHABLE food items are collected each week and taken to the Food Pantry at Franklin Street U. M. Church. It's easy to pick up an extra box of macaroni and cheese, jar of peanut butter, or can of vegetables while you're doing your grocery shopping. **There are now 3 donation baskets, one at each of the church entrances.**

THE FLOWER CHARTS are up in the hallway to the parlor for your dedications in 2026. Silk flowers are \$15 (which goes to Saturday's Kitchen) and the cost for real flowers is \$40.

FROM THE DEACONS If you would like to dedicate the lighting of the Christ Candle in memory or in honor of a loved one, the signup chart is in the hallway by the flower charts. There is no cost.

PLEASE SAVE YOUR PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS from the grocery store or Walmart for the Deacons. They are donated to the Backpack Project to pack lunches for area children.

IF YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST: Please fill out the blue "Joys and Concerns" prayer cards. You may place them in the NEW prayer request boxes that are available at each of the church entrances.

FOCUS ON PRAYERS "This is my Father's world; he shines in all that's fair ..." (Maltbie Babcock, 1901). Thank you, Father, for this glorious morning!

2026 PER CAPITA / PRESBYTERY APPORTIONMENT Our Per Capita offering, which supports the work of the Presbytery, Synod and General Assembly, has been set at \$55.00 for 2026.

BIBLE STUDY is now concluded until September 15th. Hoping you'll join us this fall on Tuesdays at 10:30 AM!

LUNCH BUNCH: The Lunch Bunch is back! Join us as we gather on the 2nd Friday of each month for a relaxed time of fellowship. Everyone is welcome! For more information, call Jackie at 814.619.8946. We hope to see you there!

THANK YOU Joyce Gerlach for serving as liturgist today.

THANK YOU Gary McClelland for serving as guest organist today.

THE JUNE ISSUE of THE VISION: Copies are available at the three church entrances for those who opted out of the mailing. Additionally, the issue can be viewed online or downloaded directly from our website under the "Media" tab at the top of the webpage.

SUMMER HOURS with worship at 10:00 am. **There will be no Sunday School** until regular hours return in the fall.

OUR SUMMER MISSION PROJECT this year will be coordinated with Professional Family Care Services located on Menoher Boulevard. They serve pregnant moms, and infants through adolescents up to age 18. They are asking for donations of diapers, wipes, new clothing and hygiene products for children of these ages. Donation baskets will be at the 3 main entrances from June 7 through August 2. Thank you in advance for your generosity! There is an immediate need for 2 boys:

- KASON (Boy Age 2): size 4 diapers, 18-24 month clothing, and hygiene products
- ETHAN (Boy Age 9 months): size 3 diapers, Similac Advance, 9-12 month clothing, and hygiene products

THE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION will hold their annual Tea Party on **Monday, June 29th at 12:00 noon** in the church parlor. All ladies of the church are warmly invited to attend. Gloves and hats are optional. Please RSVP to the church office by Monday, June 22nd. There is a sign-up sheet in the office.

BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER (Sent by Adair) Our Mom, Doris Seth, will be celebrating her 97th birthday on June 22nd. Let's make sure she knows how special she is by mailing her a card. Share any memory you have of her that has stuck with you over the years. Mail to the address below:

Doris Seth
Concordia @ Arbutus Park
207 Ottawa St., Room 125
Johnstown, PA 15904

Given by daughters: Candy, Adair, Kim and Mindy.

"GRACE IS THE BEST RESPONSE TO CONFLICT"
"ROTO REVIEW" (Reach Out To Others)

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