

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.

5th Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2026 Rev. Danielle Kendig, *Minister* • Charnet Koch, *Liturgist* 10:00 A.M.

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP Sisters and brothers in Christ, welcome to this time and space apart, where we can turn our focus from self to God and from fear to faith. May you sense God's touch as we worship this morning. 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 "It is Well with my Soul"

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 37:3-7 and Matthew 6:25-34

Leader: Do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own.

People: This day is enough, and God is with us in it.

Leader: Trust in the Lord and do good.

People: We will delight ourselves in the Lord.

Leader: Be still before the Lord and wait patiently, for God is our provider, our refuge, and our peace.

People: Come, let us worship the One who meets us with grace each day.

ALL: Let us worship God!

***THE OPENING PRAYER** Matthew 6:25-34 and Psalm 37

Faithful God, we come carrying many worries, distractions, and burdens. Our minds race ahead to tomorrow, and our hearts grow anxious about things beyond our control. Yet you remind us again and again that you are present with us here and now. You care for the birds of the air and the lilies of the field, and you hold our lives in your loving hands. Teach us to trust you more deeply. Slow our hurried spirits and quiet our anxious thoughts. Help us seek first your Kingdom and rest in the promise that your grace is enough for today. Open our hearts in worship now so that we may encounter your peace and presence among us. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

***THE OPENING HYMN #352** "Great Are Your Mercies, O My Maker"

***THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

***THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Psalm 37:1-11 and Matthew 6:25-34

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

Merciful God, we confess that we are often consumed by worry and fear. We spend so much time anxious about tomorrow that we fail to trust you today. We compare ourselves to others, become frustrated by the world around us, and lose sight of your goodness and provision. Too often we try to control what we cannot control, instead of surrendering ourselves to your care. Forgive us, O God. Teach us to trust you more fully. Help us release the burdens we carry and rest in the promise that you are with us each day. Renew our hearts and lead us in your peace. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

***THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Matthew 6:33

Leader: Friends, hear the good news: God knows what we need even before we ask. God's mercy is new every morning, and Christ meets us with grace each day. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and set free from fear.

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 14:27

Leader: Christ offers us a peace that the world cannot give, a peace that quiets anxious hearts and draws us together in love. As people forgiven and sustained by God's grace, let us share signs of Christ's peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

SPECIAL MUSIC Angie & Josh Brumbaugh

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 37:1-11 Pg. #492

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 6:25-34 Pg. #6

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

THE MESSAGE "Enough for Today"

Rev. Danielle Kendig

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***THE HYMN OF RESPONSE #333** "Seek Ye First"

***PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS**

THE OFFERTORY

“Now Thank We All Our God”

***THE DOXOLOGY #592 and PRAYER OF DEDICATION** Matthew 25:35-40 & 1 Peter 4:10
Generous God, receive these gifts and use them to bring hope, healing, and compassion into the world. May they serve your Kingdom purposes and help others experience your love and provision. Teach us to live not out of fear or scarcity, but out of trust in your abundant grace. Through Christ 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 #324 “Open My Eyes That I May See”**

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***THE POSTLUDE “How Firm a Foundation”**

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

12:00 LADIES’ TEA PARTY

6:30 PM NAR-ANON

FRIDAY

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OFFICE CLOSED

NEXT SUNDAY

10:00 AM WORSHIP

PRAYER FAMILY OF THE WEEK: Kalmbach

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 Jesus, for this time of worship, and with your gentle help, I lay the ups and downs of this week at your feet. When I depart, remind me to let you carry them.

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.

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.

THANK YOU to Charnet Koch for serving as liturgist today.

THANK YOU to Angie & Josh Brumbaugh for the special music today.

SUMMER HOURS we are now following summer hours with worship at 10:00 am.

There will be NO SUNDAY SCHOOL or BIBLE STUDY until regular hours return in the fall.

THE OFFICE will be closed on Friday, July 3, for the Independence Day holiday.

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 5-CENTS-A-MEAL OFFERING will be received today, June 28th.

THE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION will hold their annual Tea Party on **tomorrow, 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. We hope to see you there!

PINE SPRINGS CAMP COUNSELOR: As in past summers, we have “adopted” a camp counselor for the season. His name is José Guerrero, an international counselor from Mexico, and he is one of the dedicated young people who will work with campers through August. We have committed to pray for José and the ministry of Pine Springs Camp on a consistent basis, to send notes of encouragement, and to send a shoe box filled with suggested items, including gift cards for area gas station (i.e., Sheetz) and an area restaurant (he likes Chili's and Ray Azteca), snack items (he likes Doritos and chips, Red Bull drinks, Kinder Bueno chocolate bars), and devotional material. PLEASE remember to include **your name** and the name of **our congregation** in your cards/notes. Members and friends of the congregation can support José by sending correspondence to:

José Guerrero
Pine Springs Camp
c/o Maddy Duffield
PO Box 186
Jennerstown, PA 15547

“NOTHING CAN SEPARATE YOU FROM GOD’S LOVE”
“ROTO REVIEW” (Reach Out To Others)

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