



The Apostle Paul

Rembrandt van Rijn (and workshop?) c. 1657

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

Established 1817

12 June 2022

Trinity Sunday

10:00 AM Worship

Building Community ▪ Transforming Lives ▪ Engaging the World

WELCOME VISITORS!

Name tags are available in the narthex and vestibule – we would love to greet you by name! Members **and** visitors are invited to sign the Friendship Pad when passed to you during the service.

Nametag questions?

Please contact

marcy@firstpresnb.org

CHILDREN are welcome at First Presbyterian Church! The nursery is available for infants, toddlers, and preschool children in Room 1.23 and 1.24 in the Ministry Center from 8:30 am to 11:15 am.

RESTROOMS are available in the Ministry Center (including a family restroom) and the Session House.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS and **HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES** with ear coverings are available in the Narthex.

Prayer of Preparation

*Open wide the window of our spirits, God,
and fill us with light;*

Open wide the door of our hearts

*that we may receive and entertain you
with all our powers of adoration and love. Amen.*

Welcome

The Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

Simple Gifts

Tonioli

Introit

How Majestic Is Your Name

M. W. Smith

*Call to Worship

Awesome, wondrous God, dark, deep and holy One,
we come to feel the mystery of your name.

**Green growing God,
Christ of many stories and disciples,
we come to hear the parable of your love.**

Bright, flashing God, blowing wind and Holy Spirit,
we come to speak the gospel of your fire.

**Distant, yet by-our-side God,
woven, puzzled, grained by time,
we come to find the Trinity of your grace.**

Let us worship God!

*Hymn 1

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Heber/Dykes

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we confess that sometimes we close windows against the fresh air of new ideas, against the noise of other people's worries, against the winds of change.

God, we confess that we often draw the curtains against people who seem different or far away.

Forgive us our desire to be insulated.

Open up our lives to your grace and your kingdom ways. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Summary of the Law

Matthew 22:37-39

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and the first commandment. And a second is like it, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’”

Children's Moment

Rev. Catherine Campbell

Baptism of Charlotte “Lottie” Valerie McAden

Parents: Judson and Rose McAden

Elder: Mike McAden

Hymn *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise* Cole-Turner

**Child of blessing, child of promise,
baptized with the Spirit's sign,
with this water God has sealed you
unto love and grace divine**

**Child of joy, our dearest treasure,
God's you are, from God you came.
Back to God we humbly give you:
live as one who bears Christ's name.**

MASKS are now optional for worship and church activities.

If you would like to **FIND OUT MORE** about First Presbyterian Church, please contact anna@firstpresnb.org

Following the **CHILDREN'S MOMENT** in the 10:00 service, those in the 2nd grade or younger may depart for Children's Worship and Wonder in the Ministry Center across the hall from the nursery. For all children in worship, there are worship bags available at the front and back of the Sanctuary.

If you have questions about children, youth, or family ministry, please contact catherine@firstpresnb.org

Giving of God's Tithes and our Offerings

Offertory *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* Hatch/Jackson

***Doxology** Hymn 607

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Christ all creatures here below
Praise Holy Spirit evermore
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

*The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given
By Jan and Carla Brantner to the glory of God and in
honor of their 45th wedding anniversary.*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy, holy, holy Lord— we praise you for your love: bringing order out of chaos, breathing life into dust, leading captives into freedom, calling wandering children home, giving bread to the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, raising the dead to life. Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Spirit, come— come and live in us: in this bread, in this cup, in your people, one in the body, one in the blood; one with Christ, one in ministry, in this and every place; in this world and the world to come. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor and power, forever and ever! Thank you, Lord— we thank you for Jesus: Word made flesh, light

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of the world, living water, shepherd and gate, way and truth, bread of heaven, cup of salvation, resurrection and life, hear us pray, **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

Communion of the People

We celebrate communion today by means of intinction.

If you would be more comfortable,

self-contained packs of communion are available in the narthex.

All of the elements are gluten-free.

Prayer after Communion

Benediction

Response

Jesus, Remember Me (sung twice)

Taizé/Berthier

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

Postlude

Greatful

Marc Hayes

Liturgist: The Rev. Dr. Maren Sonstegard-Spray

Pianist: Cindy Sutton

Ensemble: The Resurrection Singers

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, June 13, 5:00-6:00 p.m. Field Trip to Learn More about Craven County Disaster Recovery Alliance and the New Hope Volunteer Village!

If you have interest in this important work in our community involving rebuilding after disasters, we invite you to join us! We will begin our tour at the CCDRA office, 2010 Old Cherry Point Rd. (Park across the street at Neuse Forest Presbyterian Church.) A tour of the Volunteer Village will follow! Besides sharing with folks the update on CCDRA and

Village operations, there will be information about current volunteer opportunities. Please contact Maren (637-3270, maren@firstpresnb.org) if you are planning to come!

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY MINISTRY

Children and Youth Sunday School is taking a break this summer. That said, children and youth are welcome in the "Read this Book" class meeting in Room 2.21 from 8:40 am-9:40 am through September 4.

Nursery will continue to be available, birth to Pre-K, 8:30 am-11:15 am. We encourage our Pre-K graduates to continue to use the nursery; you can also bring your kiddo into worship through the Children's Moment to transition for the fall.

Children's Church will also meet for rising grades K-2 after the Children's Moment. ****If your child has completed grade 2, it is time to graduate to staying the entire hour in worship.** This is meant to be an exciting milestone!** Please be sure to thank Ms. Kerri, Children's Church teacher, for all her love and wisdom.

Vacation Bible School

VBS will be happening **Monday, June 13 - Friday, June 17 this summer from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm for kids who have completed grades K-5.** Come explore how God's creation is a gift we all share! Registration is available on our website.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AND FORMATION

Sunday Mornings, 8:40 am-9:40 am

The Present Word/George Evans – Session House Parlor

The class is studying "Partners in a New Creation" for the summer. Contact George Evans (gkevans4@gmail.com) with questions.

Read This Book Adult Sunday School – Ministry Center Room 2.21 and on Zoom

Join us for Read This Book every Sunday in June and July. Each week a different person will present a book that informed, challenged, or inspired them, and connected with their faith. You don't have to attend every week to participate in the class, and friends and family are welcome to attend! To be included on the email list for the class, contact Maren (maren@firstpresnb.org). Schedule of presenters:

June 19 Gayle Hardy, "David and Goliath: Underdogs, Misfits, and the Art of Battling Giants" by Malcolm Gladwell

- June 26 Jeanette Avery, "Hell of a Book: A Novel" by Jason Mott
- July 3 Jim Copland, "John Witherspoon's American Revolution" by G. Mailer
- July 10 Nancy McAden, Gilead Series by Marilynne Robinson
- July 17 Lynn Gorges, "Teach a Woman to Fish: Overcoming Poverty Around the Globe" by Ritu Sharma
- July 24 Anna Pinckney Straight, "Womanist Midrash: A Reintroduction to The Women of The Torah and The Throne" by Wil Gafney
- July 31 Jessica Skinner, "Final Gifts: Understanding the Special Awareness, Needs, and Communications of the Dying" by Maggie Callahan

Midweek Opportunities

Tuesday Afternoon Grief Support

The group meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (the next meeting is on **June 14**) from 12:00 to 1:00 pm in the Chapel. This ongoing group provides its members with understanding and support after someone they love dies. Come and bring a friend.

Rebuilding – Divorce Recovery Group. This new group hopes to be just the right balance of a shoulder-to-cry-on and a kick-in-the-pants to support your getting through this confusing and often painful process and putting your life back together. Our next meeting is Monday, **June 20**, from noon to 1 pm in the Chapel. All are welcome. For more information contact Anna or Maren.

Calvin and Hops (Men's Beer and Theology)

The next gathering of Men's Beer and Theology ("Calvin and Hops") will meet at Brewery 99 (1014 Pollock St) at 4:00 pm, **June 19**, led by Ken Wilkins. This is a casual men's gathering for fellowship and conversation around topics of theology and faith.

*Trusting that God's grace embraces and makes a covenant with all believers,
First Presbyterian Church intends to be an inclusive place of spiritual growth for all.
All persons are welcomed into this fellowship and membership regardless of
age, sexual orientation, gender, ethnic or racial identity,
economic or educational status, or political affiliation.*