June 15, 2025 10:00 a.m.

Trinity Sunday/Father's Day

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

ORGAN PRELUDE (If you must speak, speak to God)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carolyn Stevenson

THE INTROIT

"Father Abraham"

Children's Choir

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

God, sometimes we show up to worship ready to encounter Your presence.

We know You are always with us.

But God, we hesitate to encounter You in all of Your glory, afraid to be overwhelmed by Your love and holiness.

And yet, we know You are always with us in the fullness of Your glory.

Ready our hearts today to encounter more of Your glory, Your love, holiness, and glory that is always present with us.

We come today to enter the dance of the all-consuming presence of the Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Rev. Dr. Glen Misick

OPENING HYMN "God of Our Fathers, Whose Almighty Hand" Sung to the tune of Hymn #262

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and

image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world......(silence for personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Dr. Glen Misick

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in loving kindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is His loving kindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Apostles' Creed)

Let us confess the faith of the Church as one, using the words of the Apostles' Creed. Church, what do you believe?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, the Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic* church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

(*universal)

HEARING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE:

John 16:12-15 (N.T. pg. 110) Malachi 3:1-10 (O.T. pgs. 889-890)

Children's Sermon

+++ A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO FATHERS+++

ANTHEM "Forever Young" Rich Culton

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SERMON: True Christian

True Christian Stewardship: Pt. 3
"Stewardship of Treasure" Rev. Dr. Glen Misick

SEALING AND RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*RESPONSE HYMN #359 "More Love to Thee, O Christ"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

INVITATION TO TITHES AND OFFERINGS & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CARRYING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN #341 "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!"

*BENEDICTION

MUSICAL POSTLUDE (A QUIET TIME OF REFLECTION)

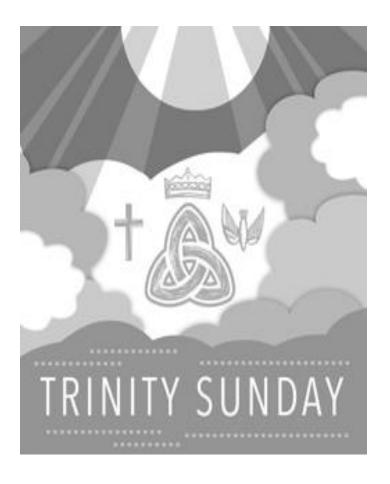
PLEASE REMAIN SEATED

+++WE ENTER TO WORSHIP; WE LEAVE TO SERVE!!!

*Please stand if able



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"Stewardship of Treasure"

Prayers for those with long-term concerns

We ask that these friends have God in their lives, that they and their families feel His loving presence, and comfort during their continued struggles. Updates will be printed as available.

Jennifer Perez – RSD/CRPS, & gastroparesis

Maria - a friend of the Knotts and Haggerty families; she is in an acute care facility for traumatic brain injury.

Friends and Loved Ones in the Service and their Families

STATESIDE

Robert L. Gillis – invasive cardiovascular technologist in the US Navy and stationed at Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington DC, grandson of Barbara & Bill Morgan.

Lauren Hansen-Salmond – Stephanie & Charlie Kurowsky's niece Jeffrey Hansen – Stephanie & Charlie Kurowsky's nephew

OVERSEAS

Daniel Hedner – deployed to Japan – Jake & Carolyn Stockl's nephew Steven Stockl – deployed to Iraq – Jake & Carolyn Stockl's nephew

The children and youth in our congregation and our youth ministry Racial equality reconciliation in Woodbridge Township and our nation. Our ministry partners –

Christian Appalachian Project, Kentucky

International Justice Mission, Washington DC

Mr. Matt Barany Jr., who serves with Second Level Ministry

Navajo Ministries

Salvation Army of Perth Amboy, NJ

Saint Jude's Children's Hospital of Memphis, Tennessee

Samaritan's Purse

Walter Hoving Home

World Vision

Prayer Concerns and Praises June 15, 2025

The Prayer Chain - provides immediate prayer for *critical and emergency situations*. All other needs will be taken care of through the prayer list. To place someone on the prayer chain call Millie Knotts at 732-382-9391.

The Prayer List - provides opportunities to share prayer within our church family. Prayer requests will be published for up to 6 weeks unless updated. To add someone to this list call the church office at 732-634-1631.

(Note: Please be sure the person you are adding to this list has given his or her permission to do so).

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people" Ephesians 6:18



New Joys and Concerns

Prayers for Bobby Stockl who is suffering from a bulging disc and pinched nerve.

2nd Week

Prayers for Joan who is in assisted living.

Prayers for Bobby Williams, nephew of Nancy Williams, who is at JKF Medical suffering from seizures.

3rd Week

Prayers for Robbie.

4th Week

5th Week

6th Week

Prayers and Sympathies

SHUT-INS

Please continue to keep in your prayers those members who are unable to join us for worship on Sundays.

Health and Healing



The mission of First Presbyterian Church is to grow in Christ and make Him known. This is based on John 15:5: "Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches, apart from me you can do nothing." The Holy Spirit strengthens us to:

- 1. Connect to the vine.
- 2. **Grow** to maturity,

Sermon Topic/Theme:

3. **Share** the fruit

Sermon Notes Sunday: Preacher:

Scripture:			

Point # 2

Point #1:

Point #3

WELCOME TO WORSHIP THIS MORNING. WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE! WE BELIEVE YOU ARE HERE FOR A DIVINE PURPOSE. LET US KNOW HOW WE CAN SERVE YOU TODAY!

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH

SUNDAY, June 15, 2025

10:00 a.m. Worship Service – TRINITY SUNDAY/FATHER'S DAY

Live Stream – Facebook

11:20 a.m. New Membership Class – CR

MONDAY, June 16, 2025

TUESDAY, June 17, 2025

6:30 p.m. Session Mtg - ZOOM

WEDNESDAY, June 18, 2025

6:30 p.m. Bible Study – On-Line Via Zoom

THURSDAY, June 19, 2025

8:00 p.m. Prayer Gathering – Dial In (425) 436-6302 then enter code 773724#.

FRIDAY, June 20, 2025

SATURDAY, June 21, 2025

9:30 a.m. Sit & Knit (Crochet) – CR

SUNDAY, June 22, 2025

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Live Stream – Facebook

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE OR SHARE

CHANCEL FLOWER AVAILABLITIY – The following dates are open 6/22, 6/29, 7/13, 7/20 & 7/27. Please make reservations through the church office. The cost is \$30.00 for two arrangements and must be paid in advance.

Today's flowers on the communion table are in honor of Mary James Pallitto's 3rd birthday.

Given with love by her Grandparents,

Rich and Cindy Culton.

PRAYER GATHERING – is every **Thursday** evening at 8:00 pm. Dial (425) 436-6302 then enter code 773724#. If you have any questions, please contact Sandy Kosakowski at 908-930-3628.

WORSHIP SERVICE LIVE STREAM – via Facebook every Sunday at 10:00 - am. We hope you will join us online if you will not be attending church. Please tell your friends, especially shut ins.

SIT AND KNIT (and CROCHET) – is on **Saturdays** from 9:30am to 11:00am in the Sanctuary's Choir Room. Bring your projects, a friend, and any patterns you would like to share or may need help with.

BIBLE STUDY – is every Wednesday evening at 6:30pm (EST) on-line and will continue weekly on the Gospel of John taught by Rev. Misick.

<u>Weekly:</u> https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/tZ0qduuvqDoqH9JJbVl6hr8IZjnJXXyMA9Yf/ics?icsToken=DOSkTfLuf9ZK5wFvHwAALAAAADOEjiUoLPncV19bf0yh7-cvldHSkKts0uzp--

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Join Zoom Meeting

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Passcode: 145573

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS – is today with Pastor Misick following the Worship Service. All who are interested in joining our church are invited to meet in the Choir Room at 11:20am. Please fill out the Application (Next to Bulletin Box) and return to Elder Gayle Nolan or Worship leader.

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to our Heat and Air Conditioning Fund. There are labeled envelopes on the table in the back of the Sanctuary that can be placed in the collection plate or dropped off at the church office. If you choose to donate another way, please be sure to include 'Heat and Air Conditioning Fund.' We are making great strides in phase one of our Capital fundraising campaign, please help keep this momentum going! Your donation is greatly appreciated!

-Sandy Kosakowski

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE!

Visitors, we welcome you to this morning's time of worship. If you are looking for a church home or would like to explore the meaning of membership at Avenel Presbyterian Church, please ask an usher or the worship assistant.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Scripture for Sunday, June 22
Matthew 28:16-20

Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 1:30pm