

July 24, 2022

10:00 a.m.

7th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Belinda Kerchner

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the House of the Lord.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, who is rich in mercy to all who call upon You; hear us as we come to You humbly confessing our sins and transgressions and imploring Your mercy and Your forgiveness. We have broken Your holy laws by our deeds and words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before You our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness. Have mercy upon us.....(silence for personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Thank you for the death of Jesus on the cross dying for our sins and setting us free.

Amen. Thanks be to God.

OPENING HYMN #138 "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

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 Creator 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: Romans 13:11-12 (N.T. pg. 162)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

ANTHEM "In Every Age" Janet Sullivan Whitaker

SERMON: "A Check List for Personal Revival"
Rev. Dr. David Bucci

SEALING AND RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN #280 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

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

CARRYING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

INVITATION TO TITHES AND OFFERINGS & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #447 “Lead On, O King Eternal”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Make Your Home in Me” Ben Walther

*Please stand if able

Rev. Dr. David Bucci Bio:

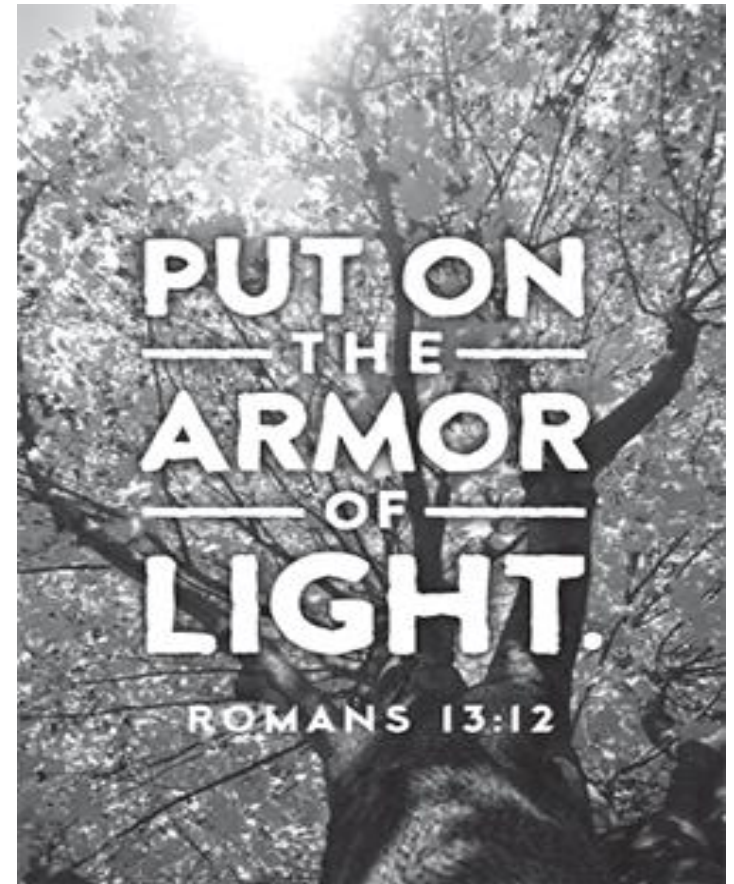
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621 East Woodbridge Avenue

Avenel, NJ 07001

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“A Check List for Personal Revival”

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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 – 1st LT, – Stephanie & Charlie Kurowsky's niece

Jeffrey Hansen – 1st LT, Kuwait, Stephanie & Charlie Kurowsky's nephew

Daniel Hedner – Carolyn & Jake Stockl's nephew

Steven Stockl – Carolyn & Jake Stockl's nephew

OVERSEAS

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

Our ministry partners –

Boys Town

Camp Johnsonburg

Christian Appalachian Project, Kentucky

Elijah's Promise, New Jersey

International Justice Mission, Washington DC

International Students, Inc.

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

Reliant Redemption Church, Pennsylvania

Navajo Ministries

Salvation Army of Perth Amboy, NJ

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

Walter Hoving Home

World Vision

Prayer Concerns and Praises July 24, 2022

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

2nd Week

Prayers are needed for Flavia Flores, Maritza's Mom, who is in the hospital again with ongoing health issues. Please pray for Flavia's peace and comfort and for her family.

Please pray for Gayle Nolan's Niece's Husband, Ryan, who had surgery last week for a spot on his lung.

3rd Week

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
Carol Palmer and Jen Perez

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,
3. **Share** the fruit

STEWARDSHIP 2021

In an effort to help our congregation track our annual budget as it compares to giving, the Session has decided to include a brief monthly report. We are a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, and are completely dependent upon tithes, offerings, and donations to fulfill our budgeted expenses.

General Fund Balance	Net for the month	YTD
12/31/2021 \$ 76,156.39		
01/31/2022 \$ 73,393.05	\$(2,753.34)	\$(2,753.34)
02/28/2022 \$ 73,809.90	\$ 416.85	\$(2,336.49)
03/31/2022 \$ 64,806.01	\$(9,003.89)	\$(11,340.38)
04/30/2022 \$ 59,120.22	\$(5,685.79)	\$(17,026.17)
05/31/2022 \$ 54,878.34	\$(4,241.88)	\$(21,268.05)
06/30/2022 \$ 60,701.39	\$ 5,823.05	\$(15,445.00)

CHURCH PROPERTY ACTIVE STEWARDS NEEDED (for pay) – When we rent church property such as the gym (Westminster Hall) or Jacob Morgan Hall, a church member must be present on site. Stewards open/close the building and oversee good property stewardship. For their service, stewards are paid \$12/hour (by renters). If you are able to serve in this way (occasionally or regularly), or have questions or would like more information, please call the church office from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Tuesday through Friday.

Per Capita Amount has been changed from \$45.00 to \$40.00

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, July 24, 2022

10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Guest Preacher– Rev. Dr. David Bucci)
Live Stream-Facebook

MONDAY, July 25, 2022

9:00 a.m. VBS begins

TUESDAY, July 26, 2022

9:00 a.m. VBS
10:00 a.m. JoAnn's Food Pantry-CE Bldg

WEDNESDAY, July 27, 2022

9:00 a.m. VBS

THURSDAY, July 28, 2022

9:00 a.m. VBS
9:30 a.m. Sit & Knit (Crochet) – CR

FRIDAY, July 29, 2022

9:00 a.m. VBS last day

SATURDAY, July 30, 2022

SUNDAY, July 31, 2022

10:00 a.m. Worship Service (Guest Preacher–Rev. Dr. David Bucci)
Live Stream-Facebook

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE OR SHARE

CHANCEL FLOWER AVAILABILITY – The following dates are available on the chancel flower calendar: July 31st & August 7th. Reservations for chancel flowers may be made through the church office. The cost is \$30.00 for two arrangements and is to be paid in advance.

The flowers are in remembrance of Mae Dudas who would have celebrated her birthday on July 25th and acknowledging her one-year passing on May 26th given by Elaine Ferrie-Kaczmarek.

PRAYER GATHERING – has ended for the summer and will begin again in September.

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 at the church. Please tell your friends, especially shut ins.

BULLETINS – will now be on our website. Weekly bulletins can be emailed as well. If you would like a weekly bulletin emailed, please contact the Church Office to be put on the emailing list.

VBS – will begin this week. July 25th through July 29th for 3-year-old potty trained through 5th Grade.

SIT AND KNIT (and CROCHET) – is now on Thursdays 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. We can learn new things from each other.

NEW PASTOR – Our search for a pastor is moving along and we are ready to form a Pastor Nominating Committee. If you are interested in serving on the PNC, please let a session member know.

GUEST PREACHER – for Sunday, July 31, 2022, is Rev. Dr. David Bucci. Dr. David Bucci is no stranger to New Jersey where he graduated from Bloomfield Seminary, was ordained by the Newark

Presbytery, attended Princeton Seminary, served in Newark, Aberdeen and was in charge of Evangelism for the Synod of NJ. He also attended Fuller Theological Seminary and received his Doctor of Ministry from California Graduate School of Theology. David also served as pastors in NY at Mineola & Garden City as well as New Haven, CT. After he retired, he served in NJ as Director of Education in Wayne and Marlboro where he now abides.

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.

Joseph Fernandez	Music Director	resolutjoe@gmail.com
Michael Peterson	Sexton	avenelpres@gmail.com
Stephanie Kurowsky	Stream Lines	avenelstreamlines@comcast.net
Belinda Kerchner	SS Superintendent	For 2022
Linda Vassallo	Church Office	(732) 634-1631
Susan Smolsky	Webmaster	rustisioux@comcast.net
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	Church Website	avenelpresbyterianchurch.org

Scripture for Sunday, July 31st

Matthew 5:14-16



*The Holland Christian Home Foundation
cordially invites you to the*

HOLLAND CHRISTIAN HOME
127th Anniversary Dinner

1895-2022

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2022
6:00 P.M.

The Tides Estate
1245 Belmont Avenue, North Haledon, NJ
\$120 per person

FEATURING
“My HCH Story”
Resident & Family Testimonies

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The NJ Homeschool Association Chorale & Selah String Ensemble

Your support benefits the Holland Christian Home

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