

September 22, 2024
10:00 a.m.
18th Sunday after Pentecost

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Delia Zelanzy

THE SONG OF PRAISE & WORSHIP “Alpha & Omega”

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of His name;

give to Him glorious praise!

Say to God, “How awesome are Your deeds!

So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing to You.

All the earth worships You

and sings praises to You;

they sing praises to Your name.”

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Rev. Dr. Glen Misick

OPENING HYMN #356 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear Heavenly Father, we lower our heads before You and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are Yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask Your forgiveness and we also ask for Your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. In Jesus’ name.....(silence for personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Rev. Dr. Glen Misick
Almighty God, who freely pardons all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every repentant heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord.
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: Romans 12:1-3 (N.T. pgs. 161-162)

Children’s Story Belinda Kerchner

MUSICAL SELECTION William Gorman

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SERMON: “The Biblical Foundation of Praise & Worship”
Rev. Dr. Glen Misick

SEALING AND RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*RESPONSE HYMN #379 “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

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

First Presbyterian Church of Avenel

621 East Woodbridge Avenue

Avenel, NJ 07001

Rev. Dr. Glen Misick

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“The Biblical Foundation of
Praise & Worship”

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 – Carolyn Stockl’s nephew

Steven Stockl – deployed to Iraq – 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

Walter Hoving Home

World Vision

Prayer Concerns and Praises

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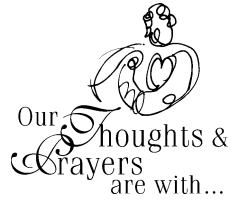
The Prayer Chain - provides immediate prayer for *critical and emergency situations*. All other needs will be taken care of through the prayer list. To place someone on the prayer chain call Millie Knotts at 732-382-9391.

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 Robbie who is back at home and doing well.

Prayers for Joan who is in assisted living.

Prayers for Lisa who is receiving her last chemotherapy treatment.

2nd Week

3rd Week

4th Week

5th Week

Prayers needed for Tom who fractured his neck vertebrae and is recovering at home.

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

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

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

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

**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, September 22, 2024

FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
(Guest Musician-William Gorman)
Live Stream–Facebook

MONDAY, September 23, 2024

TUESDAY, September 24, 2024

10:00 a.m. JoAnn Breza and Jake Stockl Food Pantry – CE Bldg.
6:30 p.m. Session Meeting – CR

WEDNESDAY, September 25, 2024

5:00 p.m. Bible Study – JMH

THURSDAY, September 26, 2024

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

FRIDAY, September 27, 2024

SATURDAY, September 28, 2024

9:30 a.m. Sit & Knit (Crochet) – CR

SUNDAY, September 29, 2024

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
(Guest Musician-William Gorman)
Live Stream–Facebook

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE OR SHARE

CHANCEL FLOWER AVAILABILITY – The following dates are open 9/29, 10/6, 10/13, 10/20 & 10/27. Please make reservations through the church office. The cost is \$30.00 for two arrangements and must be paid in advance.

PRAYER GATHERING – is now back every **Thursday** evening at 8 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.

BULLETINS – are now on our website.

SIT AND KNIT (and CROCHET) – is back 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.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE PRAYER REQUESTS – sheets are located beside the bulletin bin.

BIBLE STUDY – will begin again on September 25th and continue every Wednesday from 5:00pm-5:50pm in Jacob Morgan Hall. Topic is on the Book of Revelation taught by Rev. Misick. Please register by Email: gmisick@yahoo.com or Call: 917 679-5676

LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP – We will be having a Leadership Workshop on Saturday, October 19th at 9:00am in Jacob Morgan Hall. All Elders, Deacons, and Committee Members are encouraged to attend. We will have a light breakfast and order out for lunch. Please call the Church Office with your RSVP info by **October 11th** with a response of Yes or No.

TRUNK-OR-TREAT – Our 3rd annual Trunk-Or-Treat is Saturday, October 26th from 4:00pm to 5:30pm in the Sanctuary parking lot. Please check the bulletin flyer for more details.

LADIES TEA – is Saturday, November 16th. Details to follow.

GUEST MUSICIAN – today through October 27th is William Gorman. Will is a pianist, organist, singer, and educator originally from Syracuse, NY and now living in New Jersey. He regularly performs in NYC as well as across the United States and Europe with jazz and blues artists. He is an educator, working as a professor of jazz voice at Western Connecticut University in Danbury, Connecticut as well as maintaining a private studio.

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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<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Music Director</i>	
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<i>Belinda Kerchner</i>	<i>SS Superintendent</i>	<i>For 2024</i>
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Scripture for Sunday, September 29th

Psalm 100

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TRUNK OR TREAT

CANDY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26
4:00 - 5:30 PM

HOTDOGS

GAMES

If you would like to decorate your car
and pass out candy, contact Cindy
Culton at ccculton@comcast.net to
register your car

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