

**November 10, 2024**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**25th Sunday after Pentecost**  

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**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Carolyn Stevenson

THE INTROIT "How Beautiful" Twila Paris

**GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!  
How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways!  
**"For who has known the mind of the Lord,**  
or who has been His counselor?"  
**"Or who has given a gift to Him**  
that He might be repaid?"  
**For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him**  
**be glory forever. Amen**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION Rev. Dr. Glen C. Misick

OPENING HYMN #420 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, our source and judge and Destiny. Today we will not hide our wrong doings from You, we confess that we have left vows unfinished, good purposes forgotten, opportunities left unfulfilled, and duties unmet. We have spoken impatiently or unkindly, and done ungenerous things, we have desired what we should not, and lived for things that will die, we have ignored You, who are our life and peace. In Your mercy forgive us, show us compassion and heal us. Set us anew on Your path, and help us to**

**hear Your voice. In Jesus' name we pray.....(silence for personal confession)**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS Rev. Dr. Glen C. Misick  
Who is in a position to condemn, to blame? Only Christ, And Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ advocates for us, and Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life is gone, a new life has begun, here and now, know you are forgiven!  
**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 12:6-8 (N.T. pg.162)

Children's Sermon

MUSICAL SELECTION "Come to Jesus" Chris Rice

**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

SERMON: "Activating Your Spiritual Gifts"  
Rev. Dr. Glen C. Misick

**SEALING AND RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

\*RESPONSE HYMN #391 "Take My Life"

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 #538 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

\*BENEDICTION

MUSICAL POSTLUDE (A QUIET TIME OF REFLECTION)

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED

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

\*Please stand if able

**CALL FOR CONGREGATION / CORPORATION MEETING**  
BY ORDER OF THE SESSION OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF AVENEL, NEW JERSEY, THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION/CORPORATION WILL BE HELD **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24,** IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE. THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING IS TO REVIEW THE NOMINATIONS FOR CHURCH OFFICERS.

First Presbyterian Church of Avenel

621 East Woodbridge Avenue

Avenel, NJ 07001

Rev. Dr. Glen C. Misick

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“Activating Your Spiritual Gifts”

### **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 and Carolyn Stockl’s nephew

Steven Stockl – deployed to Iraq – Jake and Carolyn Stockl’s nephew

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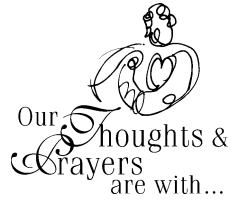
**The Prayer Chain** - provides immediate prayer for *critical and emergency situations*. All other needs will be taken care of through the prayer list. To place someone on the prayer chain call Millie Knotts at 732-382-9391.

**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*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Week*

Prayers for Robbie.

Prayers for Joan who is in assisted living.

*3<sup>rd</sup> Week*

*4<sup>th</sup> Week*

*5<sup>th</sup> Week*

*6<sup>th</sup> Week*

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

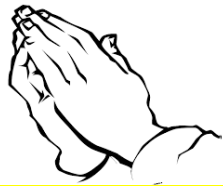
*Prayers and Sympathies*

*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

## **Sermon Notes**

**Sunday:**

**Preacher:**

**Sermon Topic/Theme:**

**Scripture:**

**Point # 1:**

**Point # 2**

**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, November 10, 2024**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
Live Stream–Facebook

#### **MONDAY, November 11, 2024**

#### **TUESDAY, November 12, 2024**

4:00 p.m. Property Care Mtg – CO  
4:30 p.m. Deacons Committee Mtg – CR

#### **WEDNESDAY, November 13, 2024**

5:00 p.m. Bible Study – JMH

#### **THURSDAY, November 14, 2024**

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

#### **FRIDAY, November 15, 2024**

#### **SATURDAY, November 16, 2024**

9:30 a.m. Sit & Knit (Crochet) – CR (**CANCELLED**)  
1:00 p.m. Ladies Tea – JMH

#### **SUNDAY, November 17, 2024**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
Live Stream–Facebook

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE OR SHARE

**CHANCEL FLOWER AVAILABILITY** – The following dates are open 11/17, 11/24, 12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22, & 12/29. Please make reservations through the church office. The cost is \$30.00 for two arrangements and must be paid in advance.

**PRAYER GATHERING** – is 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 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 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](mailto:gmisick@yahoo.com) or Call: 917 679-5676

**WALTER HOVING HOME** – once again we will participate in giving Christmas Donations to the ladies. Please see the attached flyer for more details.

**LADIES TEA** – is Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm – 3:00pm in Jacob Morgan Hall. RESERVATIONS ARE CLOSED!

**POINSETTIA ORDERS** – Poinsettia plants will be purchased from Floral Expressions at a cost of \$10.50 per plant. The order deadline is **Thursday, December 5th**. Detailed order form is attached to bulletin.

**SANTUARY DECORATING** – will be on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. All are invited.

## 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.*

<i>Pastor</i>	<i>Rev. Glen C. Misick</i>	<i>gmisick@gmail.com</i>
<i>William Gorman</i>	<i>Music Director</i>	<i>williamgormanmusic@gmail.com</i>
<i>Michael Peterson</i>	<i>Sexton</i>	<i>avenelpres@gmail.com</i>
<i>Belinda Kerchner</i>	<i>SS Superintendent</i>	<i>For 2024</i>
<i>Linda Vassallo</i>	<i>Church Office</i>	<i>(732) 634-1631</i>
<i>Hanna Pallitto</i>	<i>Webmaster</i>	<i>hannapallitto@gmail.com</i>
	<i>Church Email</i>	<i>avenelpres@gmail.com</i>
	<i>Church Website</i>	<i>avenelpresbyterianchurch.org</i>

## **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**

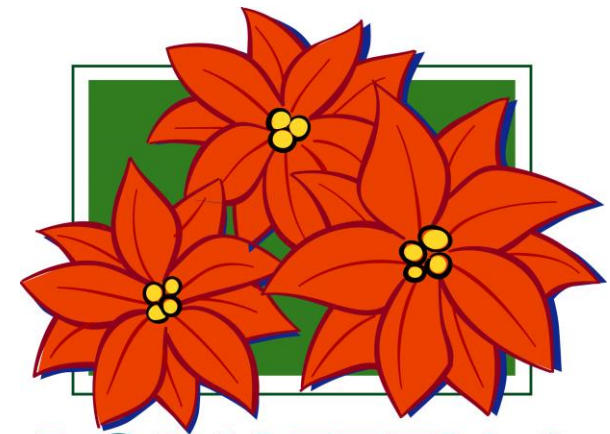
**Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 1:30pm**

*Scripture for Sunday, November 17th*

**Matthew 28:18-20**



Once again our sanctuary will be decorated for Christmas. Poinsettia plants will be purchased from Floral Expressions at a cost of \$10.50 per plant. If you wish your gift to be in honor or in memory of a loved one, please designate the name(s) when placing your request. If you would like to make a contribution to the church for music or in lieu of sending Christmas cards to church family and friends, you may do that as well on the form below.



# POINSETTIAS

Poinsettia plants may be taken after the 10:00am worship service on Saturday, December 24, by those who donated them.

Please have all donations and requests in the church office no later than **Thursday, December 5, 2024**. Requests can be sent by mail, dropped off to the Church Office, or placed in the offering tray.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Poinsettias \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$10.50 each) Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

Music \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of:

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In Honor of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Greetings from: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_**



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