

OPENING PRAYER:

We gather today, in the name of the One who is the Alpha and Omega, the First and Last. We gather today, in the name of the One who gives all the opportunity for repentance that leads to life. We gather today, in the name of the One whose command created all things. We gather today, in the name of the One whose glory is far above earth and heaven. We gather today, in the name of the One who will one day make his dwelling with humanity. We gather today, in the name of the One who will make all things new. Make us new, Lord. Make us new, Amen.

PRELUDE: Glorified, Blessed and Worthy Leatherman
 Adele Harrison, organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Rev. Mark Juengel

INTROIT: Christ is Alive!
 Chancel Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP: Grace Laird

ALL: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise God in the heights!

MEN: Praise the Lord, all his angels; praise him, all his host! Praise the Lord, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars! Praise the Lord, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens!

ALL: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for God commanded and they were created. The Lord established them forever and ever; God fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

WOMEN: Praise the Lord from the earth, your sea monsters and all deeps, fire and hail, snow and frost, stormy wind fulfilling his command! Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars! Wild animals and all cattle, creeping things and flying birds! Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth! Young men and women alike, old and young together!

ALL: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for God’s name alone is exalted; God’s glory is above earth and heaven. The Redeemer has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to God. Praise the Lord!

*HYMN # 268: “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Grace Laird
Lord, when was the last time I stood on tiptoes — stretching to see over the horizon, stretching to see tomorrow, stretching to see the cutting edge of life? Many times, I am complacent and view life from my easy chair. I am content to let life come to me, taking whatever comes, no matter what I must deal with. Lord, shock me out of my easy chair. (Cont’d.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the **Friendship Attendance Pad** at the end of the pews. This allows the church to be in touch with you and for you to greet your neighbor by name during the passing of peace during the service.

GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST – If you would like to help decorate the sanctuary for Pentecost, Sunday, June 8th, kindly return the order form no later than Sunday, June 1st. If you have any questions or are interested, please see **Ann Marie Grilk**.

HAWLEY HUNGER WALK: Today at 1pm at St. Paul’s Church. All proceeds will go to the Wallenpaupack School Food Pantry and the St. Paul’s Lutheran Church Food Pantry.

ASL INTERPRETER SCHEDULE - Our ASL or American Sign Language Interpreter, will be joining us today.

VACATION LEAVE - Pastor Mark will be on vacation from **May 19th – May 31st**.

TAGS AND TREASURES - May 31st - The Tags and Treasures team will start receiving your donations on Sunday mornings beginning on **March 9th from 9am-5pm**. Please leave your items in front of the folding door partition in Blough Hall. If you have items to be picked up please arrange a date and time with **Bill Rockafellow** or, you can drop off your donations on Sundays before and after church. Special drop-off days are as follows:

Thursday, May 15th (3-6pm)
Sunday May 18th (after church until 4pm)
Thursday, May 22nd from (3- 6pm)

JOIN THE HANDBELL CHOIR! - Have you ever wanted to play handbells? Now’s your chance! The Handbell Choir is looking for new members—no previous experience required. We rehearse Tuesday mornings at 10am in the Jackie Wolf Wing. Come be part of a supportive and fun-loving ensemble and make music while giving back to the church community. We’d love to have you join us! **Contact Matthew Rupcich, Music Director**, for questions and if you are interested.

2025 GRADUATES - If anyone has a Graduate from High School or College this May or June they would like to acknowledge, please forward the following information to the church office by Sunday, **May 25th** in order to be included in our June Newsletter and June 1st bulletin. Information needed: Student Name, Connection to You, School Graduating From, College Degree, Future Plans. Our office email is **fpoffice@ptd.net**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Please sign up in the vestibule to be an **Usher** and to host **Coffee Hour** and **Good News Café**. For **Liturgists** see **Adele Harrison** and to help with **Communion** see **Ann Marie Grilk**.

FATHER’S DAY & OUTDOOR SERVICE - Our First Summer Outdoor Worship Service will be held on **Sunday, June 15th at 10:00am**. We will meet in the yard between the Samford House and the Church Manse. *Please remember to dress appropriately for the weather and make sure to bring a hat, sunglasses and a lawn chair or blanket to sit on.* And don’t forget to bring your Dad or the other important fellow in your life.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – June 23rd - June 27th from 5:30pm-8:15pm.

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Monday, May 19th 11:00am: Small Group Monday 12:00pm: AA Meeting 2:00pm: WH Quilters 6:30pm: Scout Leadership Mtg.	Thursday, May 22nd 11:00am: Bible Study (<i>Cancelled</i>)
	Sunday, May 25th 10:00am: Worship Service

Tuesday, May 20th
10:00am: Handbell Choir
11:00am: Chancel Choir
8:00pm: NA

Wednesday, May 21st
12:00pm: AA Meeting
5-8pm: Cub Scouts
6:30pm: Bible Study (*Cancelled*)

WORSHIP INFORMATION – MAY & JUNE

<u>Liturgist Schedule:</u>	<u>Usher Schedule:</u>	<u>June - Communion Servers</u> <u>(June 1st)</u>
5/18 Grace Laird	5/18: Robert Pinkney & Don Granza	Set Up & Clean Up: Alesia Burton
5/25 Brad Kiesendahl	5/25: Pat & Jody Koch	Servers: Alesia Burton Beth Crowley Cliff Crowley Carol Cowan Sherry Milliken

JOYS and CONCERNS FOR WEEK OF 5/18/25

*Prayers for Bob B.
*Prayers for Bud.
*Prayers for Pat S.
*Prayers for Ann, Sherry M.’s sister-in-law, her nephew Tommy & her dad.
*Prayers for Jenny, daughter of Betsy F.
*Prayers for Sue B.
*Prayers for John M.
*Prayers for Karen, Bill R.’s cousin.
*Prayers for Cindy, sister of Beth C.
*Prayers for Kevin M.
*Prayers for Tara Dalton, friend of Virginia Romaine, who is battling cancer.
*Prayers for April, daughter of Laura, friend of Virginia Romaine.
*Prayers for Jennifer T., daughter of Ron Dutton who lives in Philly and is battling breast cancer.
*Prayers for John E.’s sister-in-law Stacy, who is having cognitive issues with a Frontal lobe disease.
*Prayers for Natalie, Ruth C.’s granddaughter

Holy Spirit, get me up on my tiptoes again; put me on the frontiers of your revelation. As a revealer, help me affirm my faith. As a witness, make me speak to others about Jesus Christ. As a disciple, help me share your love. As your servant, help me accept your suffering. As your child, let me share eternity. God, I thank you for tiptoe experiences. Amen.

KYRIE: Hear, our prayer, O Lord,
Hear, our prayer, O Lord,
Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS: Grace Laird
God’s promises are trustworthy and true; your sins are forgiven. Be at peace to serve the Lord, and may you always be known by your love. **Praise the Lord, Amen.**

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - HYMN #248:
“Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna”
Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days!
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder:
all creation is amazed.

In the desert all-surrounding,
see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding
bring a taste of love unknown.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST: Rev. Mark Juengel

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION: Grace Laird
O God of promise, your word made flesh in Jesus Christ is trustworthy and true. By the power of your Holy Spirit, may it rise up in us this day like a gift from the spring of the water of life to refresh our thirsty souls. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: Acts 11:1-18 Grace Laird

SECOND LESSON: Revelation 21:1-6 Rev. Mark Juengel

MUSIC MEDITATION: How Deep the Father's Love for Us
Ginny Hack and Stephen Faubel, soloists
Chancel Choir

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

SERMON: “So, What’s New?” Rev. Mark Juengel

*HYMN # 371: “New Songs of Celebration Render”

INVITATION TO OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY: Crown Him With Many Crowns Schwarz
Matthew Rupcich, piano

*DOXOLOGY: “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER
(using debts and debtors)

*HYMN # 774: “There Is Now a New Creation”

THE BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION: Seven-Fold “Amen!” Ruskin

POSTLUDE: Crown Him with Many Crowns (arr. Neal)
Adele Harrison, organ

*Please stand if you are able.

First Presbyterian Church of Hawley

“Come to Grow in Love, Spirit, and Faith”



May 18, 2025
10 AM

ASL Sunday

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*“And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new...’”
Revelation 21:5*

Please take time to prepare for worship through meditation and prayer during the prelude. As the prelude begins, quiet your voice and soul. With music and prayer let us move from ‘getting to church’s to ‘being the church’s as we worship together.