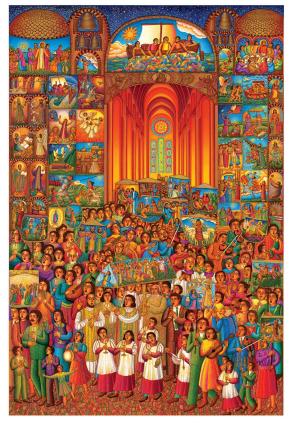


HOWEVER YOU HAVE COME. YOU ARE WELCOME HERE.



First Presbyterian Church 70 East Main Street Victor, NY 14564 585-924-2289 www.victorpres.org **Pastor:** Rev. Michael McNamara **Guest Organist:** Sue Belcher

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May 5, 2024, 10am

GATHERING

Prelude

"Ave Verum Corpus" W.A. Mozart

Welcome & Announcements

Psalm 101 (trans Nan Merrill)

Call to Worship I sing of lovalty and Justice To You, O Beloved, I sing I give heed to the Way that leads to peace Come, O Blessed One, make your home in my heart May I be A mirror of Love to all that I meet Humble me if I become arrogant and greedy Embrace me with your presence

***Opening Hymn** *GTG No.* 409 (vs. 1,3,4)

"God Is Here!"

Gathering Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despite the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of Mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.

Assurance of Pardon

*Passing the Peace

THE WORD

Time with Children

Prayer of Illumination

Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of vour risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Readings

Genesis 35:9-15

God appeared to Jacob again when he came from Paddan-aram, and he blessed him. God said to him, "Your name is Jacob; no longer shall you be called Jacob, but Israel shall be your name."

So he was called Israel. God said to him, "I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall come from you, and kings shall spring from you. The land that I gave to Abraham and Isaac I will give to you, and I will give the land to your offspring after you." Then God went up from him at the place where he had spoken with him. Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he had spoken with him, a pillar of stone, and he poured out a drink offering on it and poured oil on it. So Jacob called the place where God had spoken with him Bethel.

John 15:9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing, but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

Sermon

"Crossing Over"

"The Summons"

RESPONDING

*Hymn of Response GTG No. 300 (vs. 1,2,3)

"We Are One in the Spirit"

Confirmation

Presentation Profession of Faith Laying of hands and anointing Welcome

Offering

*Doxology

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer

SENDING

*Closing Hymn *GTG No.* 726 (vs. 1,2,4)

Benediction

Postlude "Saint Anthony Chorale" arr. Joseph Haydn

Thank you to these members who are helping with worship today-

AV: Steve Simpson Greeter: Clay Girouard Liturgist: Beverly Frost Fellowship: Donna Schake & Steve Mowers

Confirmation Class Participants:

James Aldrich Samantha Martz Aspen Newstead Avery Newstead Andrew Rine Jason Rine Zach Worrall



Volunteer Opportunities

Saturday, June 15 - FLX Pride Festival at Lakefront Park in Geneva, 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. We will need volunteers to set up, staff, and take down a Family Promise information table in 2 hour shifts.

Sunday, June 30 - Family Fun at Lincoln Hill Farms! Come join us for sunshine, music, food, games, and raffles at Lincoln Hill Farms overlooking Canandaigua Lake! Come and play, or come and help us staff information tables, talk about our mission, and sell raffle tickets!



Upcoming Church & Community events to add to your calendars:

Sunday, May 5

9 am Session Meeting (confirmation) 10 am Sunday Worship w/Confirmation 11:15 am Fellowship– confirmation celebration 12:30 pm Girl Scouts 7:30 pm AA & Al-Anon Meetings

<u>Monday, May 6</u> 7 pm Admin. Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 7 9:30 am Free Panera 7 pm Bridge Class

<u>Saturday, May 11</u> 8 am Men's Breakfast 5-6:30 pm Community Dinner (Chicken Soup & Salad)

Sunday, May 12 Mother's Day 10 am Sunday Worship 11:15 am Fellowship 7:30 pm AA & Al-Anon Meetings





Photo Release

We will be taking photos of our church community for our website, Facebook, brochures, and other publicity related outlets. We are seeking permission from members for use of any photos containing their images, and will be sharing a photo release form for individual review and signature for those willing to do so, as we take photos at upcoming events. *Blue release form on counter at the back of the sanctuary.*

Community Dinners are held on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Saturdays of the month from 5-6:30 pm! Take-out meals are available for people who call the church at 585-924-2289, during the Community Dinner time. Upcoming Dates: May 11: Chicken Soup & Salad May 18: Ham & Scalloped Potatoes May 25: Menu TBD





<u>Date</u>	<u>Theme</u>
May 5	Abide in Love
May 12	Matthias Is Chosen
May 19	Filled with the Holy Spirit
May 26	Holiday– TBD



Mark your calendars! Please join us immediately following worship on **Sunday, May 19**, for a Congregational Meeting to elect new Deacons and Elders!

*This is the Meal Train for *Brenda Dean* who had hip replacement surgery on May 1st*



There are still a few dates left!

2024 Graduates!

We would like to recognize the graduating class of 2024! Do you have a 2024 graduate (High School or College) that you want to celebrate? Send your info to Courtney in office– *slips are at the back of the sanctuary*.



Save the Date!



The Wedding of Alfred & Jennifer June 15, 2024, 11 am First Presbyterian Church in Victor Reception in Corey Hall immediately following ceremony

On Tuesday mornings, we give out donated Panera Bread and baked goods. We are in need of zipper plastic storage bags to bag up these goodies each week for the community (sandwich and gallon sized). *Donations can be left in the welcome center*. Thank you!





Welcome Visitors!

Thank you for the gift of your presence here this morning. We are so glad you have chosen to spend this time in this space. Please know you are invited to participate in any way that is most helpful for you. You are not expected to announce your presence, but you are most welcome to reach out to anyone here. You are invited to fellowship following worship downstairs in Corey Hall and we would love to share a coffee and a chat. If you would like to have us reach out to you in the days ahead, please fill out the Visitor Card in the pew and drop it in the Offering plate or use the *QR code below*.

If you are here with children, that is wonderful, and they are welcome too. Sunday School is offered *during the school year* during the worship service for youth ages 4 through grade 6, following the Children's Time. The Infant Care Room (equipped so users can hear and watch the service) is located at the top of the eastern stairs in the back of the sanctuary, or feel free to use the nursery through the door to the left at the front of the sanctuary at any point during the service. It is good to have you here. Welcome.

> Interested in becoming a member? Please call or email our pastor, Rev. Michael McNamara 585-924-2289, pastor@victorpres.org

