

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS)

PASTOR KEN

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 and ever. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN #1** “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!”

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

HELEN THOMPSON

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE “Gavotte”

MATTHEW CAMIDGE
BELINDA VAIR

If you would like to purchase a Glory To God Hymnal and dedicate it to someone, please fill out the form which is located on the table in the back of the Sanctuary. The cost of the Hymnal is \$25.00.

**Thank you to the A.F.P.& S. committee
for providing us with this morning’s coffee hour.**

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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
of Johnstown, New York

WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:30 AM



June 7, 2026

“I will make of you
a *great nation*,
and I will *bless* you
and make your
name *great*.”

Genesis 12:2a



WELCOME

PASTOR KEN & NANCY EDWARDS

Welcome to worship at the First Presbyterian Church, Johnstown. Whether you are here in the sanctuary or joining us online, we are glad you are with us. Wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome here, and we give thanks for the gift of worshiping together today!

MISSION OF THE MONTH Saturday Free Lunch Program HELEN THOMPSON

PRELUDE “Elegy”

NOBUYUKI TSUJII
BELINDA VAIR

CHORAL INTROIT

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (PLEASE RISE IN BODY OR SPIRIT)

MONA COLE

Leader: God calls us to our full selves.

People: We belong to God.

Leader: God remains our God, and we remain God's people.

People: We are blessed to be a blessing.

Leader: We are called to journey with God, and God always accompanies us.

All: Come, let us journey as God's children today.

***OPENING HYMN #625** "How Great Thou Art"

CALL TO CONFESSION

OAKLEY COLE

Leader: Friends, we come to Christ just as we are. We do not have to pretend, polish ourselves up, or have everything figured out. Jesus already knows the truth of our lives, and he meets us with mercy. So, trusting in his love, let us confess our sin together.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

OAKLEY COLE

ALL: Jesus, we confess that we sometimes believe we have to be perfect before we can come to you. We worry that we are not faithful enough, strong enough, healed enough, or good enough.

Forgive us for thinking we must have everything together before we reach out for your grace. Teach us to trust you like the woman who reached for the hem of your garment—uncertain, imperfect, but full of hope. Meet us in our need, heal what is wounded, and lead us toward the life of love and wholeness you desire for us. Amen.

Leader: Let us take a moment for silent confession and personal reflection.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

OAKLEY COLE

Leader: Friends, hear the good news: Jesus Christ knows us fully and loves us completely. We are not forgiven because we are perfect. We are forgiven because God is gracious. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end, amen! Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PASTOR KEN

Leader: Gracious God, as we hear your Word today, open our hearts, our minds, and our lives to your presence. Speak to us in the places where we are strong and speak to us in the places where we are tired, uncertain, or in need of healing. Help us to listen with hope, receive your truth with humility, and trust that your Word still has power to change us. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

PASTOR KEN

Genesis 12:1-9 (Pew Bible Page #10)

Romans 4:13-25 (Pew Bible Page #155)

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God. And we all say:

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

"Hear Us, O Father "

DON BESIG

PASTORAL PRAYER

CRAIG TALARICO

SERMON

"Look To the Stars "

CRAIG TALARICO

COMMUNION HYMN #401 "Here in This Place"

THE LORD'S SUPPER

PASTOR KEN

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Supper

Prayer of Blessing