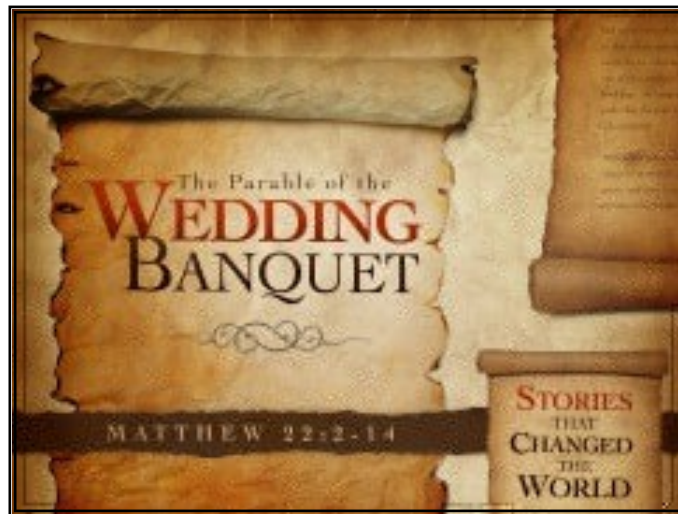


*FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*



20th Sunday after Pentecost
World Food Day
Sunday, October 15, 2023
10:00 A.M.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

David Lowe

WELCOME

Liturgist

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

Rejoice in the Lord always!

All thanks and praise to God!

Do not worry about anything.

We trust in God who provides for us.

Let the peace of God settle among you.

We will share God’s peace with all.

***HYMN**

#441 ‘I Love Thy Kingdom Lord’

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Norlita Kaul

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Norlita Kaul

True God from True God, we have not built a golden calf, but we have worshiped idols. We have put our trust in what we build with our own hands. We find security in what we can hoard instead of trusting your provision. We listen to lies that spread hatred and division instead of the radical truth of your word.

Forgive us. Melt down our idols until we see only you and fix our sight on your way alone. (*Silent Reflection*)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Norlita Kaul

God shows us a different way— a way of truth, honor, justice, purity, and excellence. This path is open to all of us if we reach out and accept God’s forgiveness. **Thanks be to God! We will live as God’s people, forgiven and freed.**

Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in all people and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption. With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

(Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.54–55.)

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“We Walk By Faith”

Robert J. Powell

***Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE 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.

***HYMN #481 'Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show'**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BENEDICTION

Go in peace to love the Lord your God with heart and soul and mind and strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself. Amen.
Mark 12:29–31 (Mizpah Benediction)

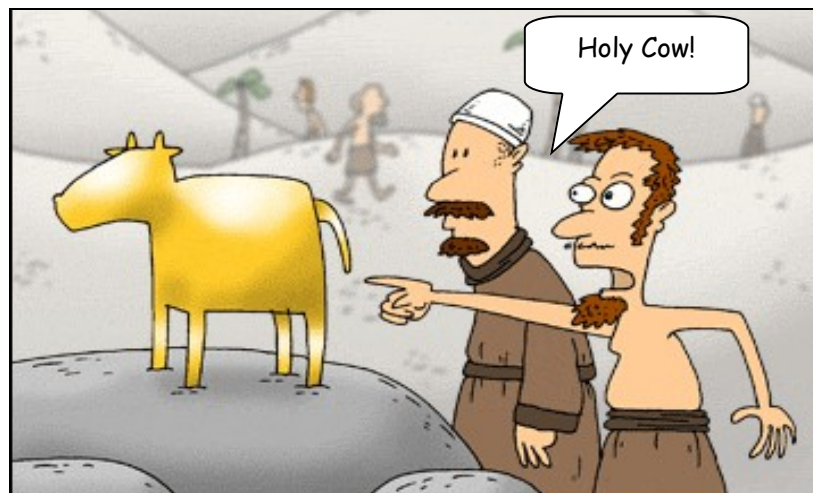
POSTLUDE "Toccata" Jan P. Sweelinck

Serving:

LITURGIST- Sandy Zimmerman

USHERS-Team 3-Marie Dunham, Joyce Ireland
& Heather Newkirk

COUNTERS-Team 3-Yvonne Custis & Debbie Homan



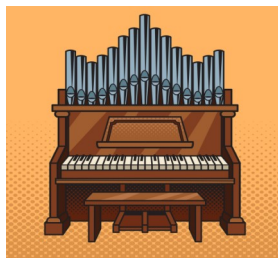


Today, Sunday, October 15th is World Food Day

Our congregation is invited to donate whatever is possible toward the cost (\$211) of the food program facilitated by Trinity United Methodist Church in Millville. Andrew Cossaboom, one of our own, having grown up here at FPC, is working hard with this food program. He's building a new mission for Trinity UMC, providing other basic life assistance to those in need in Millville's neighborhoods. Andrew, along with his wife Christa, together they've been working within this "new church planting" endeavor for a while. This is a great opportunity for our church to help our neighboring community and sister body of Christ as being a part of Christ's Church Universal, here in Cumberland County. We too can help address the real life needs/issues for others in our area.

Please prayerfully consider participating.

****There will be plain white envelopes available for your donations.
Please write Millville Food Program on the envelope.**



When:	Sunday, October 15, 2023
Time:	4:00 pm
Where:	Deerfield Presbyterian
What:	So. N.J. Chapter of American Guild of Organists (AGO) service. Rev. Kaul will be participating. Our own Gae Finch belongs to this organization. Come join us!!



(Beware of what we fashion in and for our lives.
Idols come in many forms. Exodus 32:1-14)

**"MATTHEW, MARK, AND LUKE, SEE ME
AFTER CLASS.**



**YOUR BOOK REPORTS ARE SURPRISINGLY
SIMILAR."**

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Albert Fooks

Curtis Homan

Debbie Homan

Franz Pampuch

Sandy Zimmerman

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