

First Presbyterian Church
60 East Main Street
Oyster Bay, NY 11771



With doors wide open, we welcome all to come and discover how God's love in Christ connects us more deeply with each other, our community, the world and with God.

With arms wide open, we welcome all who are looking for something more, who have questions, who want to make a difference as they learn, serve and reach out in word and deed.

With hearts wide open, we welcome you.

~ Open Doors - Open Arms - Open Hearts ~

The Presbyterian Summer News

60 East Main Street, Oyster Bay, New York 11771

The Reverend Dr. Jeffrey D. Prey, Pastor

July and August 2025



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Oyster Bay, New York 11771-2411

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Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Administrator	Cristina Harrison
Organist/Choir Director	Jessica Chen
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OFFICERS

Clerk of Session	Cathy Hogg
President, Board of Trustees	Richard Kveton
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MINISTRIES

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Coffee Hour
Helping Hands
Audiovisual
Sanctuary Care
Outreach
Special Events, Kitchen Care
Coffee Hour
Outreach
Greeters/Ushers
Coffee Hour
Outreach

Pastoral Care and Visiting (Holy Communion, prayer, spiritual counsel...): Jeff wants you to know that he is available for you when needed.

When you would like to share some time in Christian conversation and prayer with the pastor, please let him know. Jeff would welcome a visit with you.

Church Membership: If you are a newcomer to First Presbyterian Church, you are invited to consider church membership. Jeff welcomes the opportunity to receive you in Christian friendship. Please let him know when considering membership at the First Presbyterian.

The Presbyterian Times is a monthly publication (except in August) of the First Presbyterian Church of Oyster Bay, New York. Items for inclusion should be received in the church office no later than the 20th of the month. All articles are welcome, but may be edited for length and content.

Editor & Publisher: Cristina Harrison

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY...

6	Communion Worship - Food Pantry Sunday	10:00 a.m.
7	What Presbyterians Believe on Zoom	6:30 p.m.
10	VBS Leaders and Volunteers Meeting	6:00 p.m.
12	Community Dinner	5:00 p.m.
14 - 18	VBS	6:00 - 8:15 p.m.
27	Communion Worship- Food Pantry Sunday	10:00 a.m.

AUGUST...

3	Guest Preacher - Ken Pollitt	10:00 a.m.
6	Bookies	6:30 p.m.
9	Community Dinner	5:00 p.m.
10	Guest Preacher - Ken Pollitt	10:00 a.m.
24	"Taizé Evening Worship" followed by a Potluck Picnic on the lawn (weather permitting)	6:00 p.m.
31	Labor Day Weekend	

Coming up in September ...

2	Deacon's Meeting	7:00 p.m.
7	C.E./Sunday School Meeting	11:30 a.m.
14	Rally Day / Sunday School Kick-off / Cook-out	10:00 a.m.
16	Blood Drive	2:45 - 8:45 p.m.
16	Session Meeting	7:30 p.m.

Summer Office Hours

July & August

Tuesday, Wednesday,
& Thursday

10:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Note – We will end the summer with a

“Taizé Evening Vespers”

Service on August 24 at 6:00 p.m.

followed by a picnic

(no morning service)



Community Meal

Meals are provided free of charge to guests of the Senior Center and
People Loving People Food Pantry.

Contact Jerry Lalonde:

Email galalonde@aol.com

Text or call cell 516-297-7773

OR

Contact Selina Collier:

Email Selina_collier@fa.org

Call 516-759-1168

**July 12, 2025
&
August 9, 2025
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.**



SAVE THE DATE
VACATION BIBLE CAMP
"True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World"

MONDAY, JULY 14 THRU FRIDAY, JULY 18, 2025
6:00 - 8:15 PM

Vacation Bible Camp is open to all children who have completed Pre-K to Grade 6.
(This is a volunteer program. Fees cover materials and expenses.)

Cost:

1 child in family - \$40 one week. **2 children** in family - \$50 one week.
3 or more children - \$60 one week.

Registration Forms available. Please call the church office at 516-922-5477.
All checks payable to: First Presbyterian Church.

Adult and Student (Level 7 and up) are needed.

There will be an important organizational meeting for volunteers at **6:00 PM on Thursday, July 10** at the First Presbyterian Church, 60 East Main Street, Oyster Bay, NY.

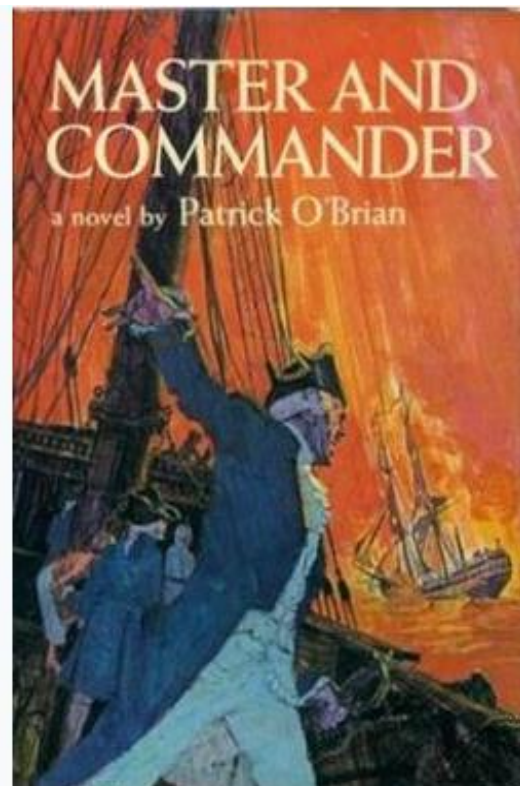
Contact: Isa Gutierrez at: grammieluv@gmail.com

BOOKIES

Wednesday, August 6, 2025
~ the Bookies ~
at 6:30 PM - discussing
~ *Master and Commander* ~

Our next book is *Master and Commander* by Patrick O'Brian. *Master and Commander* is an adventure at sea set during the Napoleonic Wars, and the first book of a very popular series (and a film, a few years back).

Even if you have not joined us for Bookies before, consider reading this book, and, if you can, join us for food and discussion on Wednesday, August 6 at 6:30. It is something special.



See you then Joan

Congratulations to
James Masler
recipient of the Ralph and Betty Lewis Scholarship

BLOOD DRIVE

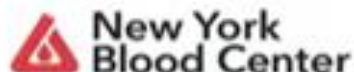
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60 EAST MAIN STREET, OYSTER BAY

Tuesday, September 16, 2025

Time to be determined

Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your ID with your name and photo.
Masks are required for all donors regardless of vaccination status. Visit nybc.org/coronavirus for complete COVID-19 safety protocols. Please note that Appointments are strongly encouraged.

Go to www.nybc.com/donate



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MISSION MATTERS

Father's Day Blanket Sunday



Thank you to everyone who contributed to this annual fundraiser.
This year we were able to donate \$460 to the CWS blanket fund.
Your Donations are greatly appreciated



FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

The Food Pantry donations will continue to be collected on the
First Sunday each month or anytime and delivered to local food pantries.

These are the most asked for items:

Pasta, Pasta sauce, Diced Canned Tomatoes	Mac & Cheese 2 pound or smaller bags of Rice
Boxed rice mixes	Canned Vegetables - low sodium preferred
Canned Beans, Stews, Soups & Chili	Cereal & Oatmeal
Peanut Butter, Jelly or Jam	Kids' Snacks
Coffee & Tea	Gatorade Juice Boxes

The People's Pantry, 123 Audrey Avenue, Oyster Bay, NY 11771

The pantry is open for donations; Tuesday 11:00 – 1:00 pm

Wednesday 11:00 – 1:00 pm

Thursdays 11:00 - 6:30 pm

Community Shopping: Thursdays 2:00-6:30 pm

To volunteer, go their website at <https://peoplelovingpeople.net/volunteer-form>

North Shore Community Church Food Pantry, 209 South St, Oyster Bay, NY 11771

Accepting donations at church office (on the corner) on Thursday and Friday
between 10:00-3:00,

or Saturday morning at the back door of the church between 9:00-10:00.

Shopping: The Pantry is open for shopping every Saturday morning from 9:00-10:00

NOSH Food Pantry/North Shore Soup Kitchen

NOSH is currently accepting donations of non-perishable food at its new permanent home:

32 School Street (back entrance), Glen Cove

weekdays between 9:00-1:00 (closed Wednesday and weekends)

North Shore Soup Kitchen has re-opened and is accepting donations for its food pantry at

First Baptist Church,

7 Continental Place, Glen Cove, on Tuesday and Thursday mornings

between 9:00 – 12:00

Mimi Mernin's Food Pantry, Village Church, Bayville, 9 Mountain Avenue, Bayville, NY

Donations may be left in a bin at the back of the Church which is emptied daily.
516-628-2737

Thanks for helping us to help our neighbors!
The Mission Outreach Ministry Team

July...

6 Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Communion Worship
Scripture: Psalm 62:1-8; John 15:4-8
Sermon: "Contemplative Prayer"

13 Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Scripture: Psalm 25:1-10; Philippians 1:12-26
Sermon: "Adversity in Ordinary Time"

20 Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Scripture: Psalm 15; Romans 5:12-17
Sermon: "Our Story, God's Glory"

27 Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time
Communion Worship
Scripture: Psalm 138; Matthew 13:1-23
Sermon: "Sow, Grow, Overflow"



August...

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| <p>3 Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Scriptures: Deuteronomy 6:1-9;
Hebrews 4:12-13
Sermon: "Read Any Good Books Lately?"
Guest Preacher - Ken Pollitt</p> <p>10 Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Scriptures: Isaiah 53:4-6
1 Corinthians 1:18
Sermon: "The Power of the Cross"
Guest Preacher - Ken Pollitt</p> | <p>17 Tenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Scripture: Job 1:13-19, 2:1-9
1 Thessalonians 5:4-11
Sermon: "Relating to God"</p> <p>24 Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time
Taizé Evening Vespers Service
(No Morning Service)</p> <p>31 Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Scriptures: Psalm 112
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Sermon: "Before I Go..."</p> |
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