



First Presbyterian Church of Niagara Falls, NY
FIRST PRESS Newsletter
September 2020



Great News!!!!

The Session met on August 18th and voted to **REOPEN THE CHURCH FOR SUNDAY SERVICES ON SEPTEMBER 20TH AT 11:00 AM.** We hope you all will consider joining us on September 20th! We look forward to greeting each other in person, of course, with social distancing. It will so good for all be together again! There will be some changes, of course. For example:

Masks will be required. We will have some available if you need one. Hand sanitizers will be available.

We will enter through the side glass doors and exit through the back doors of the sanctuary.

Certain pews will be marked as closed so we can socially distance.

Passing of the Peace will be by a nod to each other while maintaining social distancing. .

The Offering will not be taken during worship service. Offering plates will be available on the table at the exit doors at the rear of the sanctuary.

Bibles, Hymnals and other printed materials will be removed from the pews. Hymnals will be available upon entering. We ask that you leave the Hymnals at the end of the pew on the seat when you leave so that they may be collected and cleaned.

We ask that you avoid the Fellowship Hall and Office. The restroom in the Fellowship Hall will be open.

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You will be asked a couple of questions about your health when you enter. We ask that if do not feel well, please stay home!

Communion will be served on the first Sunday of each month. Details on how Communion will served will follow at a later date.

There will be **no coffee hours or Sunday School.**

We will be working to maintain a clean and safe church environment while minimizing the cleaning workload during this challenging time.

We will follow the CDC and NYS guidelines to keep us all safe!!.

We hope to see you on September 20th! Until September 20th, please continue to join us on You Tube.

Sunday Worship on You Tube

Each week Session makes a video for the week's Sunday Service. The Sunday video is available at 11:00 am Sundays on You Tube. The link to You Tube is [youtube.com/channel/UCV8PmvV_gWm7wiggyl-q03g](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCV8PmvV_gWm7wiggyl-q03g). If you are not able to view the video at 11:00 am, the video can be viewed later, on You Tube, at your convenience





I can smell AUTUMN dancing
in the breeze.
The sweet chill of PUMPKIN
and
crisp sunburnt LEAVES.



Patriot's Day

Let us pause briefly on September 11 to remember those who lost their lives in the twin towers tragedy and for those who so gallantly risked their lives to save the lives of others.

This year on Patriot's Day let us also remember the first responders and essential workers who have worked tirelessly during the Covid 19 pandemic.



Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoe Box Drive

During these uncertain times during the Covid19 pandemic, this year's the Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoe Box Drive will be on line. For \$25.00 you can fill a shoe box. First Pres has always had a generous heart when it came to filling shoe boxes. Let's keep this tradition going.

It is fun and easy to fill a shoe box on line. You are able to pick either a boy or girl, their age and what items you want in the box.

The web site for Samaritan's Purse

<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>



the Magdalene Project

The Magdalene Project is still collecting back packs and school supplies for it Back to School drive.

Items that are needed are backpacks, spiral notebooks, crayons, pens, pencils, glue sticks, markers, Kleenex tissues, had sanitizers, and sturdy water bottles.

If you would like to donate or volunteer for this out reach ministry, call the Magdalene Project of-fice at 716-282-0908.

Generosity
changes everything



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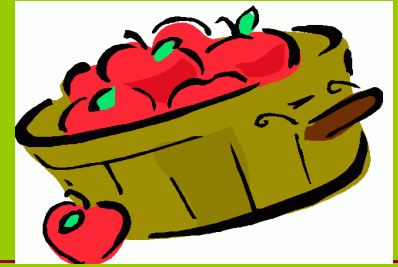
Who Said it?

1. "Are you the king of the Jews?"
2. "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"
3. "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?"
4. "I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way for the Lord.'"
5. "How can someone be born when they are old? ... Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!"
6. "Do you understand what you are reading?"
7. "Three days ago I was in my house praying at this hour, at three in the afternoon. Suddenly a man in shining clothes stood before me..."
8. "I am the Lord's servant,"... "May your word to me be fulfilled." ?
9. "They beat us publicly without a trial, even though we are Roman citizens, and threw us into prison. And now do they want to get rid of us quietly?"
10. "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."
11. "Are you going to wash my feet?"
12. "Don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"
13. "He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David..."
14. "I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God."
15. "I am the good shepherd."
16. "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this scroll, because the time is near..."
17. "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem."
18. "Send the people away so that they can go to the surrounding countryside and villages and buy themselves something to eat."
19. "If you consider me a believer in the Lord,...come and stay at my house."
20. "...even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumb

Answers. Try not to look until you have answered the question.

1. Pilate to Jesus, John 18:33 2. The Phillipian jailer to Paul and Silas, Acts 16:29 3. Nathanael to Philip, John 1:46 4. John the Baptist to the Pharisees, John 1:23-24 5. Nicodemus to Jesus, John 3:4 6. Philip to the Ethiopian eunuch, Acts 8:30 7. Cornelius to Peter, Acts 10:30 8. Mary to the angel, Gabriel, Luke 1:38 9. Paul to officers at the jail in Phillipi, Acts 16:37 10. Simeon to Mary, Luke 2:33-35 11. Peter to Jesus, John 13:6 12. Martha to Jesus, Luke 10:40 13. Zechariah, probably to his neighbors, Luke 1:62-69 14. Stephen to to the Sanhedrin, Acts 7:56 15. Jesus to the Pharisees, John 10:11 16. The angel to John, Revelation 22:10 17. Ananias to the Lord, Acts 9:13 18. The disciples to Jesus, Mark 6:36 19. Lydia to Paul and Silas, Acts 16: 15 20. The mother of a demon-possessed girl to Jesus, Mark 7:28

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6	7 LABOR DAY 	8	9	10	11 <i>Patriots Day</i> Remembering September 11 	12
13 <i>Grandparents Day</i>	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 <i>Church reopens</i> 	21 <i>International Day of Prayer</i>	22 <i>First Day of Autumn</i> 	23	24	25	26
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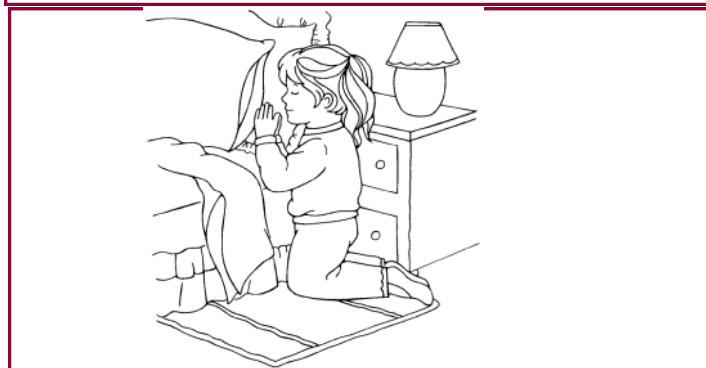
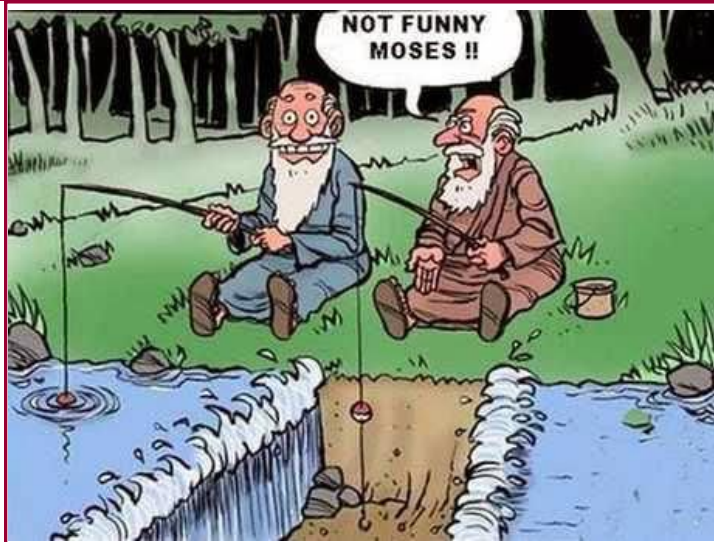
Please Pray for Those Who are Sick or Shut-in

Shut-Ins

Jean Hackenheimer Pearl Durham
Dolores Coleman Elizabeth Ochab

Prayer List

Monique Wilson Bonnie Felstead
Margaret Smith Robert Smith
Charlene Bush Bob DeFazio
Bill Karches Carolyn Goddard



Dear God, sometimes I don't have the words, so I hope you hear my heart.

September Birthdays

September 5 Bill Karches
11 Blanche Belin
20 Monique Wilson
John Hazel
28 Janet Bianca
29 Robert Smith



If we have forgotten your special day or our information is incorrect, please let us know so we can update our files. If you have a Birthday or Anniversary in September and would like to be listed with the September Birthdays and Anniversaries, call the Church office at 285-3555 and leave a message.

**LORDY, LORDY
LOOK WHO'S
FORTY**

Happy Fortieth Birthday

Bill Karches

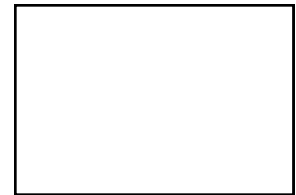
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CHURCH OFFICE

Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9 am -1 pm

Telephone: 285-3555

Sunday Worship	11:00 a.m.
Fellowship	10:30 a.m.
Sunday School	11:00 a.m.
Communion	1st Sunday of each month
Food Pantry & Clothes Closet	Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m.-12 noon
Bible Study	Wednesday - 6:00 pm

BOARD MEETINGS

Deacons — 2nd Sunday of month—10:30 a.m.

Session — 3rd Tuesday of the month—7:00 p.m.

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Worship services can be viewed on You Tube

Sundays at 11:00 am. The You Tube link is

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