



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN NEW CANAAN

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Trinity Sunday • May 31, 2026 • 10:00am
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Grace and peace to you, and welcome!
As you prepare for Worship, please sign the red welcome pad found at the center of each aisle so that we will know you worshipped with us. Then pass it to your neighbor. The last person to sign the pad should pass it back to the center of the aisle.

**PLEASE STAND IN BODY AND/OR SPIRIT.*

THE GATHERING

Prelude:

Coralbearbeitung F-Dur, 185d
Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend, EG 185f (Lord Jesus Christ, be present now!)

Edvard Grieg

We suggest you allow the music to bring you into a meditative spirit and the quiet stirrings of the Holy Spirit to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

***Call to Worship**

The Rev. Mary Marple Thies

Leader: Our gracious God has created us and called us his own.
All: Let us worship the triune God.
Leader: Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, has redeemed our lives.
All: Let us worship the triune God.
Leader: The Holy Spirit sustains and guides us all the days of our lives.
All: In gratitude and joy, let us worship the triune God!

Descant

4 Ho - - - ly,

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

ho - - - ly,

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

ho - - - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per-sons, bless-ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Scott Herr

Blessing for our Younger Disciples

Leah Saulsberry

Call to Confession

Peg Bull

Leader: God calls us, again and again, to turn from all that separates us from the Divine and return to God's path. Let us, then, name the ways we have sinned in wandering from God, relying on God's mercy to forgive and renew us.

Confession of Sin (unison)

Peg Bull

We know that you look deeply, loving God, and see us as we really are. We are a people who prefer our will to yours. We focus on things of the self and give little thought or care to you and those around us unless it suits our needs. We wander through our days giving little thought to our own discipleship, let alone our call to help others become disciples. Forgive us, God of grace. Forgive us and set us again on the path of your righteousness...

(silence for personal reflection and repentance...)

Leader: In Jesus' name we pray.

All: Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Peg Bull

Leader: Friends, hear the Good News! While it is true that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven and redeemed. So hear and believe this good news:

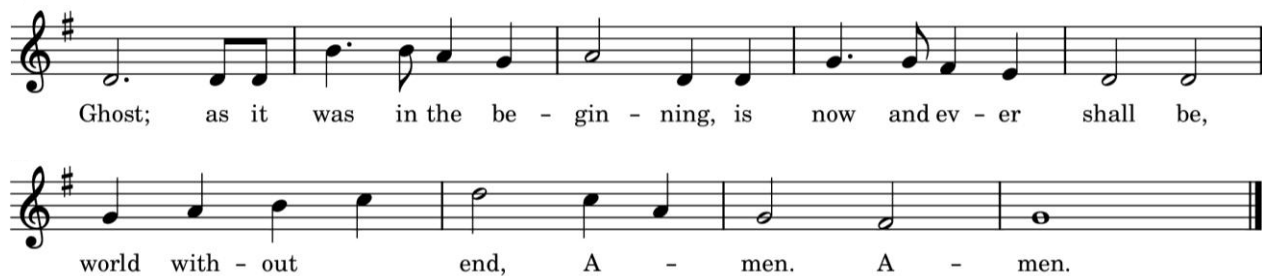
All: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and made righteous. Amen.**

*Gloria Patri

Gloria Patri

Terence J. Flanagan

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly



***Passing of the Peace**

Peg Bull

Leader: The first words of the risen Christ to his followers were, "Peace, be with you." May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Please share Christ's peace with one another.

Congregation greets one another and shares the peace of Christ.

THE WORD

Prayer for illumination (unison)

Peg Bull

Loving God, open our hearts and minds to what you would say to us this day. By your Spirit, we ask that you would speak, as we, your people, are listening. Amen.

First Lesson – 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Peg Bull

¹¹Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. ¹²Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. ¹³The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem:

Sing Ye Praises to Our King (from *Four Motets*)

Aaron Copland

Sing ye praises to our King and Ruler. Come and hear all ye men. Come and hear my praises. He doth bless all the earth, bringeth peace and comfort. Shout unto God all ye men. Shout unto God all your praises.

FPCNC Choir

Second Lesson – Matthew 28:16-20

The Rev. Mary Marple Thies

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

Leader: Holy wisdom, holy word.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith – Hymn No. 10: Sing Glory to the Name of God**

Lasst uns erfreuen

Unison

1 Sing glo - ry to the name of God, whose ho - ly splen - dor shines a -
 2 The name of God is full of might: re - sound - ing thun - der, flash - ing
 3 The name of God is wild and free, a - whirl in ho - ly mys - ter -
 4 May God for - ev - er be our peace; may hymns of glo - ry nev - er

Harmony *Unison*

broad. En - throned a - bove the
 light. The wil - der - ness can -
 y. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! A se - cret wrapped in
 cease: Let all the faith - ful

crash - ing waves, the God of grace and glo - ry saves.
 not con - tain the ech - oes of the great re - frain:
 smoke and fire, still chant - ed by the tem - ple choir:
 peo - ple come; sing praise to God, the Three - in - One:

Harmony

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia,

Unison

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Prayers of the People

The Rev. Mary Marple Thies

Leader: Gracious Creator, Giver of All Good Things: For our home on earth and for your unfailing mercy,

All: We give you thanks.

Leader: Christ, our Redeemer: For your sacrifice on the cross and rising from death to life that we might live,

All: We give you thanks and praise.

Leader: Holy Spirit, Giver of Life: For your abiding presence in our lives and for comforting and guiding us,

All: We give you thanks, praise and glory.

Leader: We come looking for your steadfast love....for we ask it through Jesus our living Lord who taught us to pray...

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

Call for the Offering

The Rev. Mary Marple Thies

Leader: Having heard of God's love and grace to us all, let us give all that we are to God. Let us give too of what we have for God's work in the world.

Offertory Solo:

I will lift up mine eyes

Leo Sowerby

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. The Lord is thy keeper; thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil, He shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. Amen.

(Psalm 121)

Jamie Ratcliffe - alto

***Doxology (No. 606)**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old Hundredth

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication (unison)**

Peg Bull

Holy God, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from you. We dedicate these gifts given this day to your work of making disciples in this time and place. Amen.

SENDING

*Hymn No. 11:

Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud

Aberystwyth

1 Source and Sov-ereign, Rock and Cloud, For-tress, Foun-tain, Shel - ter, Light,
2 Word and Wis-dom, Root and Vine, Shep-herd, Sav-ior, Ser - vant, Lamb,
3 Storm and Still-ness, Breath and Dove, Thun-der, Tem-pest, Whirl-wind, Fire,

Judge, De - fend-er, Mer-cy, Might, Life whose life all life en-dowed:
Well and Wa - ter, Bread and Wine, Way who leads us to I AM:
Com - fort, Coun-selor, Pres-ence, Love, En-er - gies that nev - er tire:

May the church at prayer re - call that no sin - gle ho - ly name

but the truth be-hind them all is the God whom we pro-claim.

*Benediction

The Rev. Scott Herr

*Choral Amen

*Ringing of the Church Bell

*Postlude:

Fuga a 4 – C-Dur, EG 186c

Edvard Grieg

We encourage you to stay for the musical conclusion of our Worship together.

***Then join us in the Common Room after Worship
for a time of fellowship, coffee/tea and snacks.***

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Welcome to Worship with the First Presbyterian Church of New Canaan on this Trinity Sunday. Today we reflect on the mystery of the Triune God; the paradox of three persons, one God. We will also explore what it means that Jesus says “All authority has been given to me...” What authority? What does that mean for our past, present and future? We will reflect on these topics through the lens of the Gospel according to Matthew and Paul’s letter to the church in Corinth. We are glad you are with us, and pray you will experience the grace of God’s welcome and be spiritually refreshed and socially reoriented for the coming week.

Sunday School – Summer Schedule. Sunday School will run on a normal schedule through the end of July. We will take a break from August 2 – September 6, and resume on Rally Day, September 13. Wishing you all a blessed and fun-filled summer ahead! Leah Saulsberry, Sunday School Director

Until August 2nd, join us as we explore Bible stories and all our questions about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, and the world around us. We will explore these themes through discussion, crafts, music, and other visual media. Children begin Worship in the Sanctuary with their families then following the Blessing for Young Disciples, we move to our Sunday School classes upstairs in the Bliss House and then return to the Sanctuary towards the end of Worship.

If your child is participating in Sunday School, please fill out this very short form so that we have up-to-date family contact numbers, and you can provide us with any information about your child that will help us minister to them: <https://fpcnc.breezechms.com/form/2024SundaySchoolStudents>

Adults or older teens who want to come be part of the fun of Sunday School, we need you! Join us and bring your own sense of wonder and joy as we learn together what it means to be part of God’s big family. Let us know of your interest by filling out this form: <https://fpcnc.breezechms.com/form/Teachers2024-25>, or reach out to Leah Saulsberry at leahs@fpcnc.org.

Children are warmly welcome to stay in Worship! For children who stay during Worship, the **Pray-Ground** can be found in the area in front of the back pew bench. The Pray-Ground is a designated place in the Sanctuary where young children can experience worship through age-appropriate worship materials and tools that will help keep them engaged in what is happening. We will continue to rotate books and coloring materials on an ongoing basis. Although it can seem counter-intuitive to adults, children are often able to process what they hear more effectively when they have something to do with their hands.

Any child worshipping in the Pray-Ground should bring their grown-up with them to the Pray-Ground. Including young children in Worship can sometimes feel a little daunting, especially on days when they’re feeling a little extra fidgety, but we don’t need to be discouraged from keeping children in the Sanctuary. There are many important things that children learn while in Worship, even when we’re not sure if they’re paying attention.

Young children learn by observing the adults around them. Children acquire the “language” of worship by listening to and observing the words the adults around them say, much like how they learn their native tongue. Quite simply, children learn to worship by regularly being in Worship. **So families with little ones should feel free to worship together in the Pray-Ground!**

TODAY IN WORSHIP (Cont'd)

FPCNC also offers childcare during our Sunday Service provided by Saturnina Greaves and Lizz Reyes from Wee Care Nanny Agency. Our Nursery is located just off our Common Room vestibule down the long hall from the Sanctuary and is available between the hours of 8:45–11:30am. **Parental and guardian sign-in is required and we do ask that you pick up your child promptly after the Service.**

Have a prayer request? Prayer Cards are located in the back of the church adjacent to the Sanctuary entrance. Before worship, please give the completed Prayer Card to either Scott, Mary or one of the Ushers. These requests will be included in our Prayers of the People for that Sunday. You will have the option to exclude your prayer from the communal prayer if you prefer. All prayers will be held and prayed over in confidence. Any questions or concerns, please contact Mary (marythies75@gmail.com).

Cents-Ability – The Cents-ability jar is in the hallway on the way to the Common Room. Please drop your spare change into the jar either on the way to Coffee Hour or whenever you're at church. You can also take home a small cents-ability bank to collect change. All change collected will be donated to the New Canaan Food Pantry. Thank you for your continued support to the New Canaan Food Pantry.



ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC

On this Trinity Sunday, we hear organ music composed by **Edvard Hagerup Grieg** (1843-1907), a Norwegian composer and pianist. He is widely considered one of the leading Romantic era composers, and his music is part of the standard classical repertoire worldwide. His use of Norwegian folk music in his own compositions brought the music of Norway to fame, as well as helping to develop a national identity. Grieg is the most celebrated person from the city of Bergen, with numerous statues that depict his image and many cultural entities named after him: the city's largest concert building (Grieg Hall), its most advanced music school (Grieg Academy) and its professional choir (Edvard Grieg Kor). The Edvard Grieg Museum at Grieg's former home, Troldhaugen, is dedicated to his legacy.

Our FPCNC Choir's offertory anthem is composed by **Aaron Copland** (1900-1990), an American composer, critic, writer, teacher, pianist, and conductor of his own and other American music. Copland was referred to by his peers and critics as the "Dean of American Music". The open, slowly changing harmonies in much of his music are typical of what many consider the sound of American music, evoking the vast American landscape and pioneer spirit. He is best known for the works he wrote in the 1930s and 1940s in a deliberately accessible style often referred to as "populist" and which he called his "vernacular" style. In addition to his ballets and orchestral works, he produced music in many other genres, including chamber music, vocal works, opera, and film scores. From the 1960s onward, Copland's activities turned more from composing to conducting. He became a frequent guest conductor of orchestras in the U.S. and the UK.

Our alto soloist, Jamie Ratcliffe, will sing music composed by **Leo Salkeld Sowerby** (1895-1968) during our offering. Leo was an American composer and church musician. He was often called the "Dean of American church music" in the early to mid-20th century. His many students included Florence Price and Ned Rorem. Leo began to compose at the age of 10 and his interest in the organ began at the age of 15. He studied composition with Arthur Olaf Andersen at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago and began teaching at the American Conservatory of Music in 1924. In 1919, Sowerby became Associate Organist at Fourth Presbyterian Church of Chicago, and in 1927 he became Organist and Choirmaster at St. James Episcopal Church in Chicago. In 1962, after his retirement from St. James, he was called to Washington National Cathedral to become the founding Director of the College of Church Musicians, a position he held until his death in 1968. He is buried in Washington National Cathedral. His substantial output includes over 500 works in every genre but opera and ballet. His later works, composed while he was at St. James, Chicago, and Washington National Cathedral, are primarily church music for choir and organ.

LOOKING AHEAD

Goodwill collection truck will be here on Saturday, June 13 from 9:00am-1:00pm in the FPCNC parking lot. Bring donations of clothing, furniture, and household items in good condition. Receipts for tax purposes will be available. Goodwill Industries provides vocational services for people with disabilities and special needs. **(The Goodwill truck is here the 2nd Saturday of every month until November 14.)**



Congregational Special Meeting on Sunday, June 14 @ 11:30am in the Common Room. Join us at 11:30am to (1) review and vote on revisions to the church's bylaws (most are non-substantive, although included are amendments to conform the bylaws to the current Book of Order, allowing for electronic participation in meetings, clarifications on terms of office, etc.); (2) get the details on our 2026 Capital Campaign (materials to come in early June) and (3) hear about the findings from the Holy Cow! Church Survey. A light lunch and childcare will be provided.

The participation level on the Holy Cow! Church Survey was amazing. Roughly 97% of our regular attendees responded, which is a tremendous response rate. During the Congregational Meeting we will distill the survey results into a 30-minute presentation.

Once you have seen the top-line data, you will be invited to various listening circles we will offer in July, August and early September (to provide timing flexibility during the summer vacation season). While all the survey information was anonymous, some of you may wish to participate more in the dialogue and the Session would love to hear your thoughts in person.

The intention is that by the end of the listening sessions we will have heard the qualitative commentary and add that to the quantitative data to inform our strategic plan for the church moving forward. Thank you again for coming with us on this journey and please ask any questions you may have of any member of Session.

The vote on revisions to the church's bylaws, as articulated below. *A few copies of the revised Bylaws are in the back of the Sanctuary – please see one of the Ushers.*

Substantive Differences Between the Proposed Bylaw Revision and the Present Bylaws

The Bylaw Revision:

- Provides for electronic participation in congregational meetings
- Changes sections of the bylaws to conform to the present Book of Order
- Clarifies the voting procedure for election of elders and deacons
- Clarifies the terms of office for elders and deacons
- Explicitly grants the Session and Board of Deacons permission to establish their own special rules of order for their meetings.

Non-substantive Differences

- The language has been simplified.
- The intended meaning of sections has been made more explicit.
- The number of redundancies within the bylaws has been reduced.
- Some sections that duplicate the
- rules in the Book of Order have been deleted.

LOOKING AHEAD (Cont'd)



 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
NEW CANAAN

Here's Your Summer-y Of FPCNC Events

14 JUNE	11:30 AM	Congregational Meeting
21 JUNE	11:30 AM	Brownie & Ice Cream Social
24 JUNE	11:45 AM	In-Person Men's Gathering
25 JUNE	7:00 PM	United In Harmony St. A's Service
27 JUNE	9:30 AM	NC 250th Parade
19 JULY	11:30 AM	Peaches On The Patio
13 SEPT	11:30 AM	Rally Day

178 Oenoke Ridge
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 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
NEW CANAAN

Ice Cream Social

Sunday, June 21

11:30 am, during
Coffee Hour

Join us for Ice Cream,
Brownies, & Fellowship

All Are Welcome!



 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
NEW CANAAN

4th Annual Peaches on the Patio

Sunday, July 19

11:30 am, during
Coffee Hour



 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
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Rally Day Picnic & Celebration!

Sunday, September 13, 11:30 am

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Please join us for 10 am Worship.
Then after service join us for fun,
food, live music, lawn games, and
O' Faithful rides.

All Ages Are Welcome!

FAMILY MINISTRIES

2026 Young Families Service Calendar

First Presbyterian Church of New Canaan

All service events will take place during Sunday School

June 14: The Crayon Initiative

The Activity: A collection drive for broken or unwanted crayons from your home, school, or local restaurants. Families drop them in a central bin to be recycled into something wonderful. Start collecting now!

Our Partner: [The Crayon Initiative](#) recycles discarded crayons into new, easy-to-grip crayons for children's hospitals to support art therapy and reduce pediatric stress.

August 16: Community Cafe

The Activity: An opportunity for kids to donate and package food for the families of children hospitalized at Blythedale Children's Hospital.

Our Partner: [Blythedale Children's Hospital](#) "Community Café" offers nourishing meals to families of hospitalized children in a warm, welcoming environment. By addressing food insecurity, it eases a significant burden for vulnerable families, reduces feelings of isolation, and creates a space where caregivers can connect with others facing similar challenges.

October 18: Hygiene Kits

The Activity: Kids will assemble gallon-sized Ziploc bags with travel-sized toiletries (soap, toothbrush, socks, granola bars) to be distributed to local neighbors in need.

Our Partner: [The Salvation Army](#) and local shelters use these kits to provide immediate dignity and basic hygiene essentials to members of our community who need them most.

December 13: Soles4Souls Shoe Drive

The Activity: A donation drive for gently used shoes that children have outgrown or that are no longer being worn by family members. A perfect way to close out the year by giving to others.

Our Partner: [Soles4Souls](#) turns unwanted shoes into opportunity by providing relief to disaster victims and supporting small-business employment in developing nations.

Questions? Reach out to us at Michael.Winslow.Peterson@gmail.com,
Bonnie.Licero.Peterson@gmail.com, and Leahs@fpcnc.org

COMMUNITY



Speaker: Donna Fedus



Caregiver Training Workshop:

Successful Communication Given Alzheimer's Logic

Repeated questions, word finding difficulty, and mixed-up memories. These are just a few of the communication issues experienced throughout Alzheimer's and dementia. Join us for this virtual workshop to learn the skills and strategies you need to respond with greater confidence.

Facilitated by Borrow My Glasses and sponsored by Waveny LifeCare Network, this virtual interactive workshop is designed to:

- Explain Alzheimer's and dementia logic so you can speak their language
- Examine communication strategies to connect through all disease phases
- Discuss the emotional impact of communication changes

DATE
June 10, 2026

TIME
6:30- 8:00 PM

LOCATION
Zoom Meeting Link

About the Speaker: Donna Fedus is gerontologist and founder of Borrow My Glasses, an education company focused on aging and caregiving from a new perspective. Critical to Donna's mission is offering alternatives to the tragedy narrative that often surrounds aging, caregiving, and dementia.

To Register:

- Scan the QR code or click on the registration link **HERE**
- You must register to receive a zoom link for this workshop. The zoom link will be sent to you closer to the event.
- Please register by June 8, 2026



Questions? Contact The Navigators: Navigators@waveny.org 203-594-5289

Or REGISTER HERE:

https://forms.cloud.microsoft/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=zzKfTw_ICk6Vy9yJxEKiHDffI7YbsGhLmB4_VkxcQNIUQ_VRWTvg5Vzc3TE8wWFIEQzVXNjBEN081NC4u&route=shorturl



UNITED IN HARMONY

*Celebrating Freedom of Religion
and Diversity in America*



Presented by Interfaith Council of New Canaan

THURSDAY, JUNE 25TH, 2026

AT 7:00 PM

St. Aloysius Church
21 Cherry Street,
New Canaan



A joyful celebration bringing together **New Canaan's faith communities** to celebrate **America's 250th** anniversary—honoring **religious freedom, unity, and diversity** through music, readings, and reflection.

Featuring musicians, community leaders, and clergy from across New Canaan.

**Apple Pie and Ice Cream
Social to Follow!**





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NAVIGATOR

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Providing support and guidance to those impacted by Alzheimer's and dementia in New Canaan

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- Exclusive respite apartment
- Exclusive social model adult day programming
- Expedited access to Waveny's continuum
- Access to trusted resources outside of Waveny
- Wellness checks and safety assessments
- Education on disease progression and healthcare resources available
- Assistance with insurance and public benefits
- Coordination of care, advance care planning, discharge planning
- Emotional support
- Alzheimer's and dementia caregiver support group
- Dedicated mobile app

Contact us for a consultation
Phone: 203-594-5289
Email: Navigator@waveny.org

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Save the number, save a life. Add the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline (988) to your phone now—it could save a life later. Trained crisis counselors are available to talk 24/7/365.

NEW CANAAN
Behavioral Health
ALLIANCE

Finding the right behavioral health support for yourself, family member or a friend can feel overwhelming. The New Canaan Behavioral Health Alliance (NCBHA) is excited to announce the launch of its website. New Canaan Human Services, NCCF and Silver Hill Hospital have partnered with over 30 local agencies and organizations to encourage, develop and support a greater community awareness of behavioral health issues and resources in our area. To talk directly to someone that can help navigate available resources, or just to see what behavioral health events are happening around the area, visit www.newcanaanhba.org.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of NEW CANAAN

CALENDAR – UPCOMING WEEK

SUNDAY, May 31

9 am Music Rehearsals
10 am Worship Service & Confirmation
11:30 am Coffee Hour

MONDAY, June 1

3:30, 4:30 Jumpin' Jams (Barn)
7 pm Purple Heather Dancers

TUESDAY, June 2

9:30, 10:30, 11:30 Jumpin' Jams (Tate Barn)
10:30 am Staff Leadership Weekly Meeting
8 pm Men's A.A. Group (closed)

WEDNESDAY, June 3

1 pm Pastoral Care Team Meeting
2-9 pm Wilton Studios–Music Lessons

THURSDAY, June 4

3:30 pm Special Church
7 pm FPC Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

FRIDAY, June 5

9:30, 10:30, 11:30, 3:30, 4:30 Jumpin' Jams (Barn)
2-9 pm Wilton Studios–Music Lessons

SATURDAY, June 6

9:15 am A.A. Group (closed)
10:30 am A.A. Group (open)
2-5 pm Wilton Studios–Music Lessons

SUNDAY, June 7

9 am Music Rehearsals
10 am Worship Service and New Member Reception
11:30 am Coffee Hour

CALENDAR – JUNE thru SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, June 10, 7:00am	Men's Gathering (Zoom)
Saturday, June 13, 9am-1pm	Goodwill Truck (FPC Parking Lot)
Sunday, June 14, 11:30am	Congregational Special Meeting (light lunch & childcare provided) Adopt Revised By-Laws, 2026 Capital Campaign, Holy Cow! Survey Presentation
Friday, June 19, 11:00am	Charles Cooper Memorial Service
Sunday, June 21, 11:30am	Fathers' Day & Annual Ice Cream Social w/ Brownies
Wednesday, June 24, 11:45am	Men's Gathering (In-Person Lunch and Speaker)
Thursday, June 25, 11:00am	Emily "Sandy" McKay Nissley Memorial Service
Thursday, June 25, 7:00pm	United in Harmony (Townwide Interfaith Service) Celebrating Freedom of Religion and Diversity in America (St. A's in New Canaan) Presented by Interfaith Council of NC
Saturday, June 27, 9:30am	NC 250 town parade (lumberyard lot step-off point)
Sunday, July 19, 11:30am	Annual Peaches on the Patio
Sunday, September 13, 11:30am	RALLY DAY

THOSE PARTICIPATING IN TODAY’S SERVICE:

The First Presbyterian Church Choir with:

Lisa Flanagan – soprano, Jamie Ratcliffe – alto, Nikolas Brannan – tenor, Devin Mitchell, Cliff Townsend – bass

Greeters: Barbara Wentzel

Lay Reader: Peg Bull

Ushers: Jim Ely

MINISTERS

The Entire Congregation

OUR PASTORS

The Reverend Dr. R. Scott Herr, Senior Pastor • The Reverend Mary Marple Thies, Parish Associate

2025-2026 SESSION ELDERS AND DEACONS

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