

L: Yet you made them only a little lower than
God and crowned them with glory and honor.

**P: The flocks and the herds and all the wild
animals, the birds in the sky, the fish in
the sea, and everything that swims the
ocean currents delight us!**

**All: O Lord, our Lord, your majestic name
fills the earth!**

***Opening Hymn**

(see p. 5)

“Come Thou Almighty King”

Prayer of Confession & Call New Living

**God of Creation, Jesus Redeemer, Holy
Spirit who guides and sustains us, hear our
prayers. We know the many ways we have
failed to do the tasks you’ve set before us.
We often choose our comfort over service to
you. Our fears and doubts claim us, and we
shrink from the opportunities you give to us.
O God, forgive us for our failings. Lift and
restore us to your grace. Put our feet on the
pathways of service, offering justice and
peace to all people. Heal us, O gracious One,
for we ask this in the name of Jesus the
Christ. AMEN.**

Paul says in Romans 3:23-24, “For all have
sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and
are justified freely by God’s grace through the
redemption that came by Christ Jesus.”

Friends, believe the Good News! In Jesus
Christ we are forgiven!

***Passing the Peace** (during the passing of the peace, children please come forward for a message and blessing.)

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us greet one another with a honk of the horn and hand-sign of peace.

Children's Message & Blessing

Prayer for Illumination

Creator God, open our ears and our minds to hear your word as it is proclaimed in your Holy Scriptures.

Sermon Text

Prov 8:1-4, 22-31; Rom 5:1-5; John 16:12-15.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Trinity Sunday

A Prayer of Blessing on the Word

Prayers of the People by the People

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.
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***Offertory & Sending Hymn** (see p.6)
“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

***Charge & Blessing**

***Postlude** “Dancing Trinity” I. Prins

Worship Leadership

Preacher: Jo Prout

Liturgist: Kathleen Claydon

Keyboardist: Iteke Prins

Vocalist: Norma Jean Ballou & Jean Lamere

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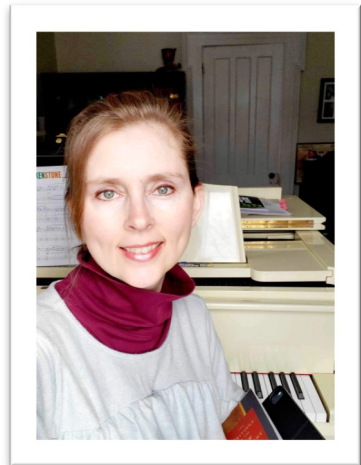
- Please join us for Lemonade Lull in Clew Memorial Park!



Happy Father's Day

Jo Prout
Guest Preacher 6/15 & 6.22

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2 Come, Thou Almighty King

1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful,
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred
 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal

name to sing; help us to praise:
 might - y Lord, our prayer at - tend.
 wit - ness bear in this glad hour.
 prais - es be, hence ev - er - more!

Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 Come, and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy word suc - cess;
 Thou who al - might - y art, now rule in ev - ery heart,
 Thy sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

come, and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power.
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

The author of this Trinitarian text is unknown, but this hymn has proved popular since the middle of the 18th century, partly because of its effective use of biblical metaphors, but also because of the strength of this tune, which was composed especially for these words.

(Sing Twice)

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Sweet, Sweet Spirit

There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I
know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are
sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I
know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.


Refrain
Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav - en - ly Dove, stay right here
with us, fill - ing us with your love; and for these bless - ings
we lift our hearts in praise; with - out a doubt we'll know
that we have been re - vived when we shall leave this place.

WORDS: Doris Akers, 1962
MUSIC: Doris Akers, 1962

SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT
Irr. with Refrain

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Prayer LIST as of 6.11.25

(To add an item to the prayer chain, contact a minister, the office or a member of consistory.  Indicates a new listing

Current Concerns

-  For our friend Donald Hansen, who we recently learned passed away.
-  For Ian Leet, recovering from an injury after a fall.
 - For Michael Brennan, Kathleen Brennan-Claydon's brother, in the sudden death of his close friend Chuck.
 - For the passing of First Church Member Mary Weijola.
 - Brian Brooks, brother of Gayle Wlodkowski-Hitchcock, with health concerns
 - Gertrude Dorn who fell while gardening, injuring her arm, as she recovers
 - Michelle Williams, having a procedure
 - Mary Bon recovering from hip surgery.
 - Eric Witt Nebel's health, friend of Michelle Williams
 - Phyllis Dean, friend of Michelle Williams

Give Thanks

-  We give thanks for a successful start to our summer season. Drive-In Worship and Hot Dogs in the Park have begun. We enjoyed a blessed Pentecost and Pride Sunday last week.

Ongoing Needs

- Olivia Gaydushek
- Wilma Sheffer
- Mia Westman
- First Church, as it moves forward with a pastoral transition. For all that makes up that transition process.
- For areas recovering from natural disasters like fires, earthquakes, etc.
- For war-torn places and area of conflict throughout the world
- For those in our immediate area dealing with gun violence and its aftermath

Note: Prayer concerns will be kept on the list for 4 Sundays. Please let the office or a member of Consistory know if a concern needs to be kept on after that.

FCIA HOT DOG WEDNESDAY @NOON THROUGH LABOR DAY

We love treating our neighbors to lunch every Wednesday. We hope you can join us. It's a hot one, but we are ready with cold beverages and all the hot dog goodness!



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

THE FIRST CHURCH IN ALBANY

JUNE 2025



TUE
17

PANTRY

9AM

RAIN VENUE ONLY

11AM

CASTLE ISLAND BRIDGE



CEREMONY & PICNIC

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

1PM



WED
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CENTERING PRAYER POWELL RM

NOON

AA MEETING

NOON

HOT DOGS IN THE PARK



NOON

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PANTRY

9AM

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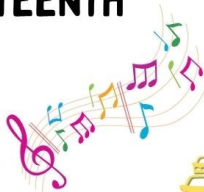
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OFFICE CLOSED

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MAKE MUSIC DAY

10AM-8PM



SUN
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DRIVE-IN WORSHIP [AT] FCIA

10AM

LEMONADE LULL



11AM

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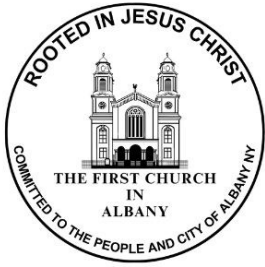
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SUNDAY,
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AFTER
WORSHIP

IN CLEE
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IT'S TIME FOR A SUMMER FAMILY PICNIC... A FIRST CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC!

Dogs & Burgs
Meat & Meatless
Options will be
available.

First Church

Grill-Out





PRIDE MONTH

June



SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

 Drive-In Worship 10am Communion Sunday Lemonade Lull	1	2	 Pantry 9am Book Study 1pm Consistory 6:30pm	3	 Centering Prayer 12pm AA 12pm Book Study 7:30pm	4	 Pantry 9am	5	6	7
 Drive-In Worship 10am Lemonade Lull	8	9	 Pantry 9am Book Study 1pm	10	 Centering Prayer 12pm AA 12pm	11	 Pantry 9am	12	13	14
 Drive-In Worship 10am Lemonade Lull	15	16	 Pantry 9am Rain Venue Only Castle Island Bridge Ceremony 11am	17	 Centering Prayer 12pm AA 12pm	18	 Pantry 9am JUNEteenth!	19	20	21
 Drive-In Worship 10am Lemonade Lull	22	23	 Pantry 9am FOCUS Board Mtg 6:30pm	24	 Centering Prayer 12pm AA 12pm	25	 Pantry 9am	26	27	28
 Drive-In Worship 10am Communion Sunday First Church Grill-Out	29	30	 PENTECOST Sunday June 8	 Pride Sunday June 8	 Flag Day June 14	 HAPPY Father's DAY Sunday June 15	 JUNEteenth! June 19			



Key:



Coming in July

- July 4 (Fri.) - Office Closed for Independence Day
- July 6 (Sun.) - FOCUS Service 9:30am @ 1st Presb., No Worship at FCIA