



# THE TOWER

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## **WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**

Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> is World Communion Sunday.

“Celebration of World Wide Communion Sunday was adopted as a denominational practice in the Presbyterian Church (US) in 1936. Churches in other denominations were invited to celebrate with us from the beginning, but it wasn’t until 1940 when the

Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches (a predecessor body of the National Council of Churches) promoted extending the celebration to a number of churches around the world that the practice became widespread. Today, World Communion Sunday is celebrated around the world, demonstrating that the church founded on Jesus Christ peacefully shares God-given goods in a world increasingly destabilized by globalization and global market economies based on greed.



...World Wide Communion symbolizes the effort to hold things together, in a spiritual sense. It emphasizes that we are one in the Spirit and the Gospel of Jesus Christ” - *PC(USA) Missions*.



## **NOTICE OF BOARD MEETINGS IN OCTOBER**

**Session** will meet on **Monday, October 4th** at 7:00pm via Zoom. Please contact Linda Amiano if you are unable to attend. 973-229-9273.



1 Dawn Dauser Doherty  
 6 May Smith  
 15 Ruth Ammerman  
 15 Jessica Hecking

17 Donald Dauser  
 22 Ifeyinwa Okobi  
 24 Oliver Bogden  
 26 Brandy Jimdar


**PLEASE NOTE:**

BIRTHDAYS ARE PROVIDED FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP DATA BASE. (ONLY MONTH AND DAY ARE PRINTED) IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS MISSING FROM OUR NEWSLETTER, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE WITH YOUR INFO SO THAT IT WILL BE INCLUDED NEXT TIME.

Answer: For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God — not the result of works, so that no one may boast. Ephesians 2:8-9, NRSV


Complete this Bible passage by adding the missing vowels.

# Puzzle



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**Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> is Pastor Appreciation Day**





***From the Desk of Pastor Lindsey***

*Eternal God, you have called us to be members of one body. Join us with those who in all times and places have praised your name, that, with one heart and mind, we may show the unity of your church, and bring honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

As Interim Pastor of The First Congregation Presbyterian Church of Springfield, I have had the privilege and honor to proudly boast that due to various gifts and variety of talents demonstrated, that according to Romans 12:1-8, we are one with many members, that our bodies are a living sacrifice, that we are the holy temple of God. We have a variety and diversity of gifts, but with the same Spirit. Everyone has different gifts for different purposes, but we are all needed as the body of Christ.

The variety and diversity of gifts here in FCPCS has enabled us to virtually combine all our gifts to inform and lift the spirits of so many people even though we were not able to enjoy the company of each other physically due to COVID-19 for a while, but with limited restrictions we are now able to worship in person once again. Hallelujah! However, we will continue to YouTube our worship services to reach a much wider audience who are not able to join us in person. Now that we are back in church, I sincerely hope that our gifts will continue to astound and surprise those who would not ordinarily come to our church for Sunday worship.

I want to give a special thank you for all the Liturgists, Deacons, our Musical Director, our Administrative Assistant, and other personnel who cheerfully and willingly aid and join me during worship service and for all the volunteers who do Children Time. A big thank you to Jim Roselli and Christopher Ortiz who put our videos together in such a professional and excellent way, correcting and eliminating some of the flaws to the delight of some of us who have no expertise in modern technology. It takes a lot of courage and patience to address the concerns from critics who have found some flaws, but they demonstrate a willingness to fix whatever is not quite right.

***As Romans 6-8 says: <sup>6</sup>We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us...*** Let us continue to show our love for each other, to God our Father, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to the Holy Spirit our various gifts and talents with compassion and cheerfulness. Amen.

Yours in Christ,

*Pastor Madelynn Lindsey*

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<i>Every Sunday worship service is In-Person and Live streamed At 10:15am. Recordings will be posted to YouTube.</i>					1	2
3 World Communion Sunday Worship 10:15am	4 Session via zoom 7pm	5	6	7	8	9
10 Worship 10:15am	11 Columbus Day Office Closed	12	13	14	15	16
17 Worship 10:15am	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Worship 10:15am	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Halloween Worship 10:15am 	<p><i>The front office hours are weekdays 9am-Noon, 1-3pm. Closed Tuesdays and weekends. Please contact Pastor Lindsey to arrange an in-person visit. Call or text Pastor at 973-714-0741</i></p>					



*A Welcoming Church for 276 Years...*

## IN MEMORIAM



*The sympathy of the Congregation is extended to the family and friends of Lore Ullrich, who passed away on Thursday, September 30, 2021.*

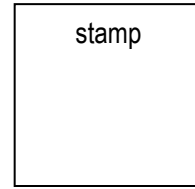
*Lore transferred to this church from the Townley Presbyterian Church (Union) in March 2008 and was a Ruling Elder in the classes of 2010 and 2013. An active member of the Outreach/Membership Committee and Presbyterian Women, Lore shared her strong faith, and many talents, as well as her great sense of humor. She loved wearing colorful dresses and a cheerful flower in her hair.*

*Lore had quite a talent with needlework. There are impressive examples of her talent within the Parish House and Chapel, especially her cross-stitch of the poem, "Footprints" in the Fireside Room, and the Piano quilt in the chapel. She was instrumental in the knitting group that created wonderful baby's blankets to be given to each family that baptized their child in our sanctuary, and provided countless lap robes and prayer shawls to many residents in nursing homes and to Veterans' organizations. If you have a little needlepoint pocket prayer or other Lenten keepsake, it was most likely Lore that made them for you. New members, including confirmands were given personalized bookmarks as a special gift to welcome you.*

*Lore is survived by her son, Ernie. Her beloved dog, Rudy, gave her companionship at home. She was predeceased by her long-time companion, Roland Curtis (2015). We pray that Lore's pain is now gone, as she is embraced by her Heavenly Father, Jesus Christ.*



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**SAVE THE DATES!**

**November Events:**

**Sunday, November 7th - Daylight Savings time ends  
(clocks “fall” back one hour Sat. night)**

**Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup> - Thanksgiving**