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SEPTEMBER 27, 2026



Service of Worship for the
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

FANWOOD
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WELCOME TO WORSHIP at

FANWOOD

COVER IMAGE

This morning we give thanks for the life of Dolly Parton whose music, generosity, and faith touched generations. We remember her with gratitude and celebrate the gospel music of her childhood that she carried through six decades in the spotlight. Never shy about the faith that shaped her, she said: "That's who I am. That's what keeps me going."

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Our usher team is Mike Camfield, Steve Falloon and Kris Adams, and our music is led each week by Alexa Teebo and Luyang Liu, with guest musician Brody Brown. Our AV support is by Jason Rivera. Our service is streamed at [Youtube.com/@FanwoodPresbyterianChurch](https://www.youtube.com/@FanwoodPresbyterianChurch).

AROUND THE CHURCH BUILDING

Restrooms are available on the ground floor of the sanctuary, and can be accessed using the staircases at the parking lot entrance or the back of the sanctuary. Sunday School is available for elementary-aged students, and meets on the ground floor of the church building. A nursery for small children or babies is available downstairs for parents.

WAYS TO GIVE

If you would like to make a monetary donation to Fanwood Church, you can use Zelle (fanwoodpcfinance@gmail.com) or the QR code to link to our online giving platform.



WHEN YOU ARE IN NEED

Our deacon ministry is available for prayer, hospital or home visitation, offering communion, and other care needs in our congregation and community. If you would like to request support or just speak with a deacon, email fanwooddeacons@gmail.com.

REFERENCES

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** indicates that you are invited to stand in body or in spirit*

PASTORAL SEARCH UPDATE

Fanwood Church is currently walking through a pastoral transition, or a season of discernment between one called or permanent pastor and the next. For more information on the process and the current status, visit fanwoodpc.org/pastorsearch

THRIFT SHOP



NOW OPEN!
WEDNESDAYS 10-3

No donations at this time, please.

GENESIS

A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO THE BEGINNING



BIBLE STUDY BEGINS SEPT. 29

FALL FANFAIR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4
74 S. MARTINE
FANWOOD, NJ

10:30 AM WORSHIP
11:30 AM FANFAIR!

FACE PAINTING | SCARECROW CONTEST
PUMPKIN DECORATING | CORNHOLE
BOUNCE HOUSE | YANKEES RAFFLE

GATHERING

PRELUDE “9 to 5” by Dolly Parton

Luyang Liu

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG “This Little Light of Mine”

*This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine (3x)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

CHIMING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Before we had done a single thing to deserve it,

All: God was already stitching love around our shoulders.

One: Before we knew our own colors,

All: God was weaving them together, thread by thread.

One: Before we could hide, explain, or apologize for ourselves,

All: God called us beloved, and meant it.

One: Before this day had a name, God was already making it holy.

All: Come, let us worship the One who clothes us still.

* OPENING HYMN “I Can See the Light of a Clear Blue Morning”

*I can see the light of a clear blue morning
I can see the light of a brand new day
I can see the light of a clear blue morning
Everything’s gonna be all right, it’s gonna be okay*

CALL TO CONFESSION & SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving Savior, we gather as your people to praise your name. We join together as a family stitched together by your love - but the fabric doesn't always hold. We fray at the edges, unraveling what you've knit. We hide the colors you gave us and grow suspicious of our neighbor's. We forget, too easily, that you are the maker of every thread, the source of our love and comfort. Forgive us, we pray, and re-weave us into your beloved community. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE “This Little Light of Mine”

*Hide it under a bushel? No! I’m gonna let it shine (3x)
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.*

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

PROCLAMATION

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Kaitlyn Rebekah Comerford

Parents: Lauren and Brandon Comerford

Godparents: Sara and Mike Pierson

Sponsor: Rev. Dr. Kenneth J. Macari

LITANY OF BAPTISM

One: As many of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

All: There is no longer Jew or Greek, slave or free, and no longer male and female, for all are one in Christ Jesus.

One: By water and the Holy Spirit, we are made members of the church, the body of Christ, and joined to Christ's ministry of love, peace, and justice.

All: Let us remember our baptism as we celebrate the sacrament.

* THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the
Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day
he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on
the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come
to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion
of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the
life everlasting. Amen.**

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

CONGREGATIONAL PROMISE

**As members of the church of Jesus Christ, we promise to nurture
Kaitlyn by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to
know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of God's church.**

SPECIAL MUSIC "Coat of Many Colors" by Dolly Parton

SCRIPTURE READINGS Genesis 37: 3-4 *and* 1 Corinthians 12: 12-14, 26-27

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Stacy C. Smith

RESPONSE

OFFERTORY "Wildflowers" by Dolly Parton Brody Brown, Alexa Teebo

* DOXOLOGY #591

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SENDING

* CLOSING HYMN #2282 "I'll Fly Away"

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Here You Come Again" by Dolly Parton

Luyang Liu