



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF CHATHAM TOWNSHIP

Sunday, October 13, 2024
10:00 A.M.

Prelude

I Remember When

Alexis Ffrench

***Call to Worship**

Leader: God, you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

People: *In you our ancestors trusted and you delivered them.*

Leader: To you they cried, and they were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to shame.

People: *God, you are holy. All praise to you, now and forever!*

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you!

People: *...and also with you.*

***Processional Hymn 475** Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Call to Confession

*Indicates that the congregation will please rise, in body or in spirit.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

God of justice and mercy, we confess that we put ourselves first and trust in things that will not last. We desire the evil and scorn the good; we gather up power and wealth and push aside the needy in our way. O Lord, be gracious to us in spite of our great sin. Teach us to love your justice and share in your mercy. Help us to seek the treasure of heavenly life with you; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn 581 Glory Be to the Father GLORIA PATRI (GREATOREX)

*Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.*

Message for All God's Children

Yvonne Anderson
Director of Family Ministries

Prayer for Illumination

Lesson from the New Testament: Hebrews 4:12-16

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Anthem

Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me
Chancel Choir

K. Lee Scott

Lesson from the Gospels: Mark 10:17-31

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Sermon "What We Lack and What We Gain"

The Reverend Thomas A. Brown

*Hymn 725

O Jesus, I Have Promised

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***Affirmation of Faith** (in unison)

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 Prayers of the People

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.

Call to Offering

Offertory Lord Whose Love Through Humble Service arr. Chuck Marohnic

***Doxology** OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

***Recessional Hymn 722** Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak CANONBURY

*Benediction

Postlude On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand arr. Adam Mason

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Today's worship leaders are Pastor Thomas A. Brown
and Elder Gage Johnson.

Our ushers this morning are Cynthia Merwin, John Merwin,
Jennifer Pannuzzo, and Ken Basmadjian.

Our tabulators and processor are Ric and Carrie Butler.

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for their technical assistance today.

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH: October 14 – October 19, 2024

Monday

9:30 am Next Act, Theos
1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open
7:00 pm Session, Halldorson Hall
Boy Scouts, Mulford Hall

Tuesday

10:00 am Staff Meeting, Halldorson Hall
1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open
7:30 pm Dev. & Comm. Mtg., (off-site)

Wednesday

9:30 am Bible Study, Theos Room
1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open

Wednesday (cont'd)

5:00 pm Children's Music, Bell Room
5:45 pm Chat & Chew, Mulford Hall
7:00 pm Milestone's Group, Young's Home
7:15 pm Christian Ed. Mtg., Staff Conf. Rm.

Thursday

1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open
6:45 pm Sanctuary Ringers, Bell Room
7:45 pm Chancel Choir, Choir Room

Friday

1:30 pm Pumpkin Patch Open

Saturday

9:00 am Community FoodBank, Hillside
10:00 am Pumpkin Patch Open

NEXT SUNDAY, October 20, 2024

9:15 am & 11:00 am Confirmation Class, Youth Suite
10:00 am Worship, Sanctuary; Nursery, Room A-9
10:15 am Church School & Breakfast Club
11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, Mulford Hall
Pumpkin Patch Open
**4:00 pm Rev. Thomas A. Brown's Installation Service
& Reception, Sanctuary & Mulford Hall**
7:00 pm Compassionate Friends, Halldorson Hall

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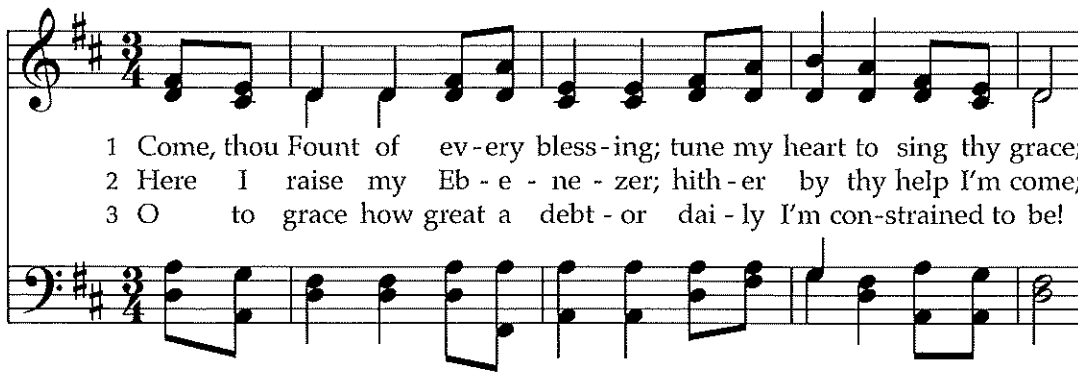
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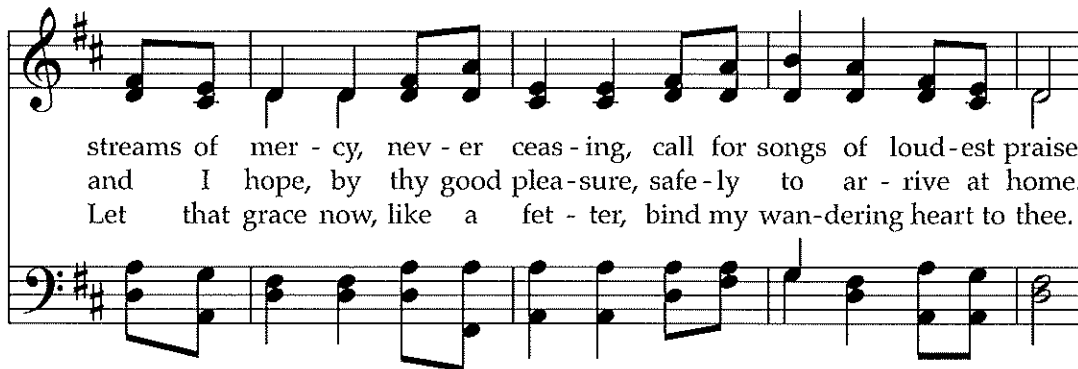
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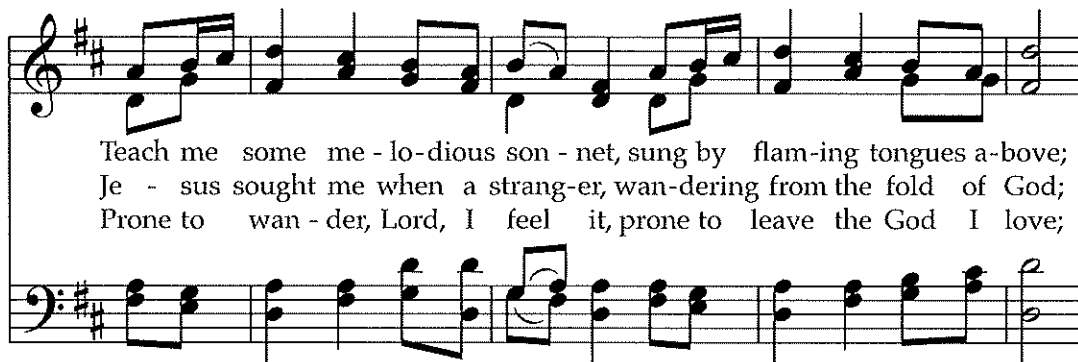
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 475



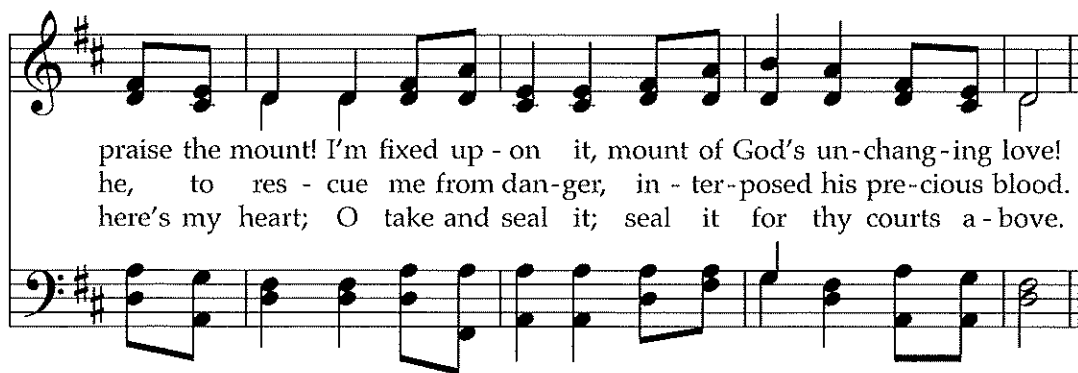
1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee.



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - dering from the fold of God;
 Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

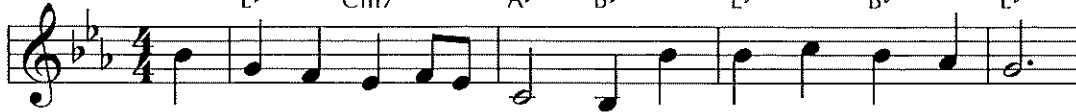


praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love!
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Written for Pentecost by a British Baptist pastor, this text is full of biblical terms like "Ebenezer" (1 Samuel 7:12), Hebrew for "a stone of help" set up to give thanks for God's assistance. The tune name honors hymnal compiler Asahel Nettleton, who probably did not compose it.

O Jesus, I Have Promised 725

Capo 3: (C) (Am7) (F) (G) (C) (G) (C)
 E^b Cm7 A^b B^b E^b B^b E^b



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
 2 O let me feel you near me! The world is ev - er near:
 3 O let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

(C) (Am7) (Dm) (G) (C) (G7) (C)
 E^b Cm7 Fm B^b E^b B^b7 E^b



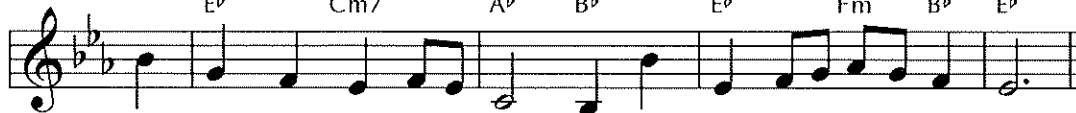
be now and al - ways near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
 I see the sights that daz - zle; the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

(Am) (D) (G) (F) (G)
 Cm F B^b A^b B^b



I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

(C) (Am7) (F) (G) (C) (Dm) (G) (C)
 E^b Cm7 A^b B^b E^b Fm B^b E^b



nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
 but, Je - sus, draw still near - er and shield my soul from sin.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, true guard - ian of my soul.
 now give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

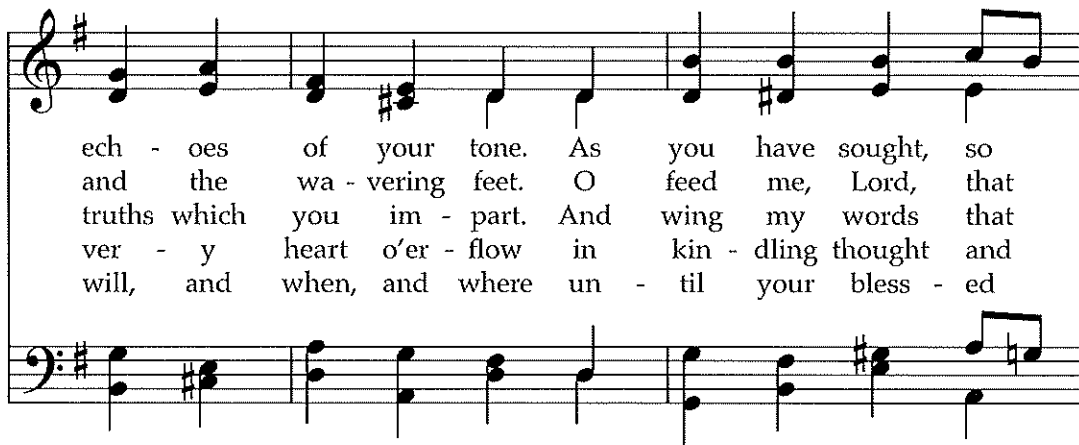
Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This hymn written by an Anglican clergyman for the confirmation of his children in Victorian times appears here in updated language that may help to make its challenging commitments more immediate. The tune is named for the province in Finland from which it comes.

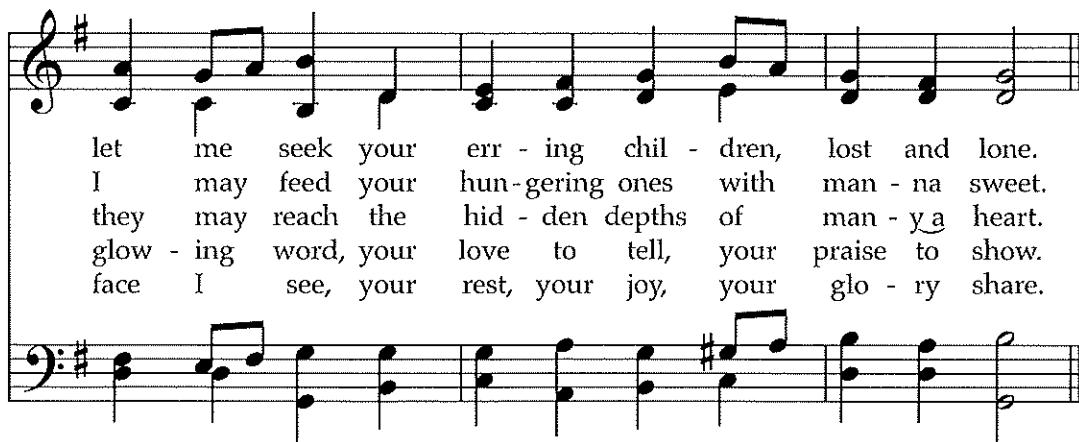
722 Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak



1 Lord, speak to me that I may speak in liv - ing
 2 O lead me, Lord, that I may lead the wan - dering
 3 O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the pre - cious
 4 O fill me with your full - ness, Lord, un - til my
 5 O use me, Lord, use e - ven me, just as you



ech - oes of your tone. As you have sought, so
 and the wa - vering feet. O feed me, Lord, that
 truths which you im - part. And wing my words that
 ver - y heart o'er - flow in kin - dling thought and
 will, and when, and where un - til your bless - ed



let me seek your err - ing chil - dren, lost and lone.
 I may feed your hun - gering ones with man - na sweet.
 they may reach the hid - den depths of man - ya heart.
 glow - ing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.
 face I see, your rest, your joy, your glo - ry share.

Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.

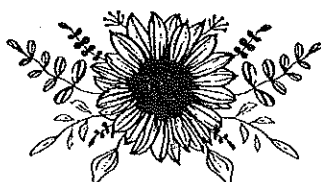
ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 13, 2024

We are delighted you've chosen to worship with us today. Please let an usher or the minister know if we can assist you in any way. Our Sanctuary is equipped with an induction loop system for those with hearing difficulties.

TODAY AT CHURCH

- 10:00 am **Worship, Sanctuary;** Nursery Care, A-9
- 10:15 am Church School & Breakfast Club
- 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, Mulford Hall
- 12:00 pm Setting Up Pumpkin Patch, Front Lawn
- 7:30 pm Youth Mission Trip Meeting, Youth Suite



CHANCEL FLOWERS

The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God and in memory of our parents, by Phyllis and Ken Basmadjian.

PUMPKIN PATCH: Volunteers needed!!

DELIVERY AND SET-UP: Today at 12:00 Noon

PATCH OPENS: Monday, October 14 at 1:30 pm

This morning after worship we need help unloading the truck and setting up the pumpkins on the front lawn. The Pumpkin Patch is a major mission fundraiser with 100% of the proceeds going to local hunger relief efforts. We NEED volunteers to help! Please sign up on our website, through eblasts, or on the board in the upper lobby to help sell pumpkins at the patch and don't forget to buy your pumpkins here!



INSTALLATION OF REV. THOMAS A. BROWN AS PASTOR OF PCCT

Join us next Sunday, October 20 at 4:00 pm for the Installation of Rev. Thomas A. Brown as Pastor of PCCT. This service of worship and celebration is led by a commission of elders and pastors from the presbytery and is open to the community and congregation. The service will feature our chancel choir and some special guests. A reception will follow the service.

2025 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

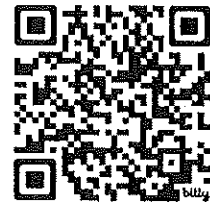
Reconnecting and Growing Together

Our church thrives when we come together, welcoming new faces and reconnecting with familiar ones. Through the "Strength for Today, Bright Hope for Tomorrow" campaign, we're building a vibrant faith community that offers a true sense of belonging. Your pledge is essential in making this vision a reality. Let's strengthen our bonds - Please consider mailing in your pledge card early or making your pledge online now and helping us get a head start on reaching our goal.

COUNT ME IN!



PCCT needs your help! Please consider signing up to be on call for volunteer projects, or connect with a specific opportunity, either one-time or an ongoing capacity. A few hours from just a few people makes a tangible difference in our ability to welcome visitors, address the needs of members and friends, and support the many ministries in which we are engaged. As seasons change in your own life, with a recent retirement or an empty nest, the conclusion of other volunteer commitments, or simply from a renewed interest, please consider making a renewed investment of your time and energy in this beloved congregation. With a broad range of volunteer spots needing to be filled, we can find something to do for just about anyone. Scan the QR Code to find the Count Me In! Interest Form online – it takes just a couple of minutes to complete.



CHILDREN'S MUSIC MEETING

Children's Music will be meeting this week October 16 from 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm in the Bell Room with Ms. Caitlyn! All are welcome to join. Ms. Caitlyn will be there to escort children to Chat and Chew with Ms. Yvonne for those who are participating in both programs. For parents, please be on the lookout for emails with more information and a google form regarding interest and attendance soon! Feel free to reach out at chuetz@pcct-nj.org with any questions!



CHILDREN'S CLUB CHAT & CHEW

Please join our mid-week Church school program for student fellowship and dinner. We will be meeting again on Wednesday, October 16 from 5:45 pm – 7:00 pm for lessons, crafts, activities and dinner. Please contact our Director of Family Ministries Yvonne Anderson for more information.

WOMEN'S EVENING FELLOWSHIP "MILESTONES": Wednesday, October 16, 7:00 pm

Please join other PCCT midlife moms for our next "Milestones, embracing grace in the middle place" evening of fellowship. We'll gather at 7 pm on Wednesday, October 16 at Katie Young's home. Please join us for a relaxing evening of conversation. RSVP to Stacy McCann at swmccann@optonline.net

COMMUNITY GARDEN FALL CLEAN UP: Saturday, November 2, 9:00 - 11:00 am

Our garden is still going strong with crops of arugula, mixed lettuces, eggplant, tomatoes and Rainbow Swiss Chard. Our carrots, Brussel Sprouts, spinach and cabbage are coming along nicely too. We have decided to push back our clean up day by one week to Saturday, November 2. Please join us to clean out the raised beds and prepare the garden for its winter rest. You can sign up on our website. Thank you!

MARKET STREET MISSION COAT COLLECTION: September 6 – October 23

We are still collecting gently used coats and homemade or new hats/gloves/scarves to be distributed to those in need in our community and surrounding area. The big collection box is in the upper lobby.

THOMAS KEESECKER CONCERT: October 27, 3:00 pm, in the Sanctuary

Thomas Keesecker will share music from his bestselling piano collections in a 75-minute concert. Keesecker, a composer and church musician as well as performer, is known around the country for his sensitive, delightful, and meditative piano arrangements of hymns. At this concert, we'll be able to sing some of them together, as well as listen to his interpretations. The hymns will be interspersed with poetry by Mary Oliver and Wendell Berry, two of the most beloved and profound poets of the 20th and 21st centuries. CDs of his music will be available for purchase after the concert. Tom retired in 2019 after serving as a church musician for over 40 years in Lutheran and Roman Catholic parishes in Virginia, Montana, and Maryland. His sacred music is published by MorningStar, Augsburg Fortress, Choristers Guild, Concordia, and GIA. He studied at the Berklee College of Music in Boston and the Catholic University School of Music in Washington, D.C. He mixes classical technique, jazz improvisation, Celtic and folk music influences in his arrangements. His music may be listened to on Amazon Music and YouTube.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE: Donate to Hurricane Helene Response

The impact of Helene has been felt across multiple states. With the storm surge, wind damage, and flooding, it is crucial to have the necessary resources to support the many communities that are affected. Helene caused devastating damage in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee. Your generous gifts will bring hope and encouragement. To make a donation, go to pda.pcusa.org/situation/hurricane-helene