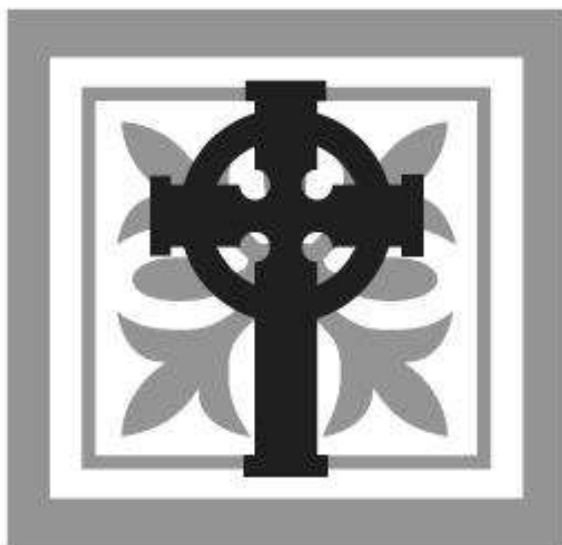




KIRKPATRICK
MEMORIAL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

**Sunday, August 23, 2026
9:30am**

Rev. Dr. Barbara Booth-Jarmon

PRELUDE

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gathering of the People

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Job 38

Liturgist: The Lord answers from the whirlwind and speaks with power.

People: **We come to worship the God who laid the foundations of the earth.**

Liturgist: The seas obey God's command, and the stars follow God's design.

People: **We stand in awe before the Creator of heaven and earth.**

Liturgist: Come, let us worship the One whose wisdom is beyond our understanding and whose love is beyond measure.

People: **Let us worship God!**

***GATHERING SONGS**

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

Arranged by Fernando Ortega

"Word Of God Speak"

Bart Millard and Pete Kipley

CALL TO CONFESSION

When Job demanded answers, God answered-not with condemnation, but with questions that revealed the vastness of God's wisdom and the limits of human understanding. Standing before the Creator of heaven and earth, we recognize that we are not in control. Too often we trust our own understanding more than God's, place ourselves at the center of the story, and fail to live with humility and faith. The God who set the boundaries of the sea also sets no limits on grace. The One who formed the foundations of the earth invites us to come honestly, laying down our pride, our fears, and our sins.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we often act as though we are masters of our own lives. We seek answers to every mystery and demand explanations for every hardship. When life becomes difficult, we question your goodness and forget your wisdom.

Silent Confession

Forgive us for our pride, our impatience, and our lack of trust. Teach us humility before your greatness and confidence in your loving purposes. Help us to remember that while we do not understand all things, we are held securely in your hands. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

Hymn #813

The Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, your word created the heavens and still speaks truth into our lives. As we hear the Scriptures read and proclaimed, quiet our distractions and open our hearts. Give us wisdom to hear your voice amid the storms of life and faith to trust your purposes beyond our understanding. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE Job 19:25, 38:1–11

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SERMON

“When God Answers”

Pastor Barbara

Responding to the Word

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

“How Great Thou Art”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

INVITATION TO OFFERING

The God who laid the foundations of the earth has also entrusted us with gifts to share. Let us offer our lives, our resources, and our gratitude to God in joyful service.

***DOXOLOGY**

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Gracious God, all that we have comes from Your hand. Receive these gifts and
use them for the work of Your kingdom. May they bring hope to the weary,
comfort to the suffering, and glory to your name. Through Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

Sending

***SENDING HYMN**

“This Is My Father’s World”

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Announcements

Prayer Concerns - If you are worshiping with us online, please use the chat feature to type your prayers and we will include your concerns.

Good New Home Golf Fundraiser: The Rev. Ernestine Winfrey Golf Invitational will be held at Royce Brook Golf Club in Hillsborough on 9/22/26 to support Good News Home, dedicated to providing faith based support for women facing chemical dependencies, mental health challenges, and trauma. Contact Regan for additional information.

Staff Vacation: Jim H. is on vacation Aug. 30 and Sept. 6

Job Opening: Currently Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church is seeking candidates for the part-time position of Administrative Assistant. Located in Ringoes NJ. Please email resumes to admin@kirkpatrickchurch.org.

🔔 **The Bells of Kirkpatrick** Please contact Sharyn at (908) 399-3468 or sharydan@gmail.com if you'd like to join them next time they play.

Food Ministry: Our next Grocery Giveaway is September 26.

Flowers: If you would like to beautify our worship space by contribution flowers, Gilded Lily will provide them for \$20 each; choose if you'd like 1 or 2 arrangements. Please contact Sharyn to make arrangements.

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