

SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT:
HOLY COMMUNION
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 5, 2017

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

11:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY

PRELUDE IN B MINOR, BWV 544
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

J. S. BACH

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

CHORAL INTROIT

LORD, WHAT IS MAN
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

ARR. ALICE PARKER

Lord, what is man, poor feeble man, born of the earth at first;
His life a shadow, light and vain, still hastening to the dust?

O what is feeble, dying man, or any of his race,
that God should make it his concern to visit him with grace?

That God who darts his lightnings down, who shakes the worlds above,
and mountains tremble at his frown: How wondrous is his love.

* OPENING SENTENCES

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in love.
Tested by the devil in the wilderness, Jesus said:
You shall worship the Lord your God alone.
Let us worship God.

* HYMN #806

I'LL PRAISE MY MAKER

"OLD 113TH"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of great mercy, we confess
that we have sinned against you.
You provide our daily bread;
still we hunger for other things.
You give your word to guide us;
still we surrender to temptation.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Create a clean heart within us,
teach us your holy way,

and restore the joy of salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord...

(Time for silent reflection and prayer)

KYRIE ELEISON #166

LORD, WHO THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS (v.1)

“ST. FLAVIAN”

Lord, who throughout these forty days
for us did fast and pray,
teach us with you to mourn our sins
and close by you to stay.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God’s love has been poured into our hearts
through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God

*** RESPONSE #166**

LORD, WHO THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS (v.4)

“ST. FLAVIAN”

Abide with us, till when this life
of suffering shall be past,
an Easter of unending joy
we may attain at last.

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

(Please greet one another with the peace of Christ.)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

GENESIS 2:15-17; 3:1-7

PEW BIBLE, OT, P. 2

We live not by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from God.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

A HYMN TO GOD THE FATHER

JOHN NESS BECK

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

Wilt thou forgive that sin where I begun,
Which is my sin, though it were done before?
Wilt thou forgive that sin through which I run
And still do run, though still I do deplore?
When thou hast done,
Thou hast not done,
For I have more.

Wilt thou forgive that sin which I have won
Others to sin, and made my sin their door?
Wilt thou forgive that sin which I did shun
A year or two, but wallowed in a score?
When thou hast done,

Thou hast not done,
For I have more.

I have a sin of fear that when I've spun
My last thread, I shall parish on the shore;
Swear by thyself, that at my death thy son
Shall shine as he shines now and heretofore;
And, having done that,
Thou hast done,
I fear no more.

GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 4:1-11

PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 3

We live not by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

REV. CAROLINE KELLY

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* **HYMN #822**

WHEN WE ARE LIVING

"SOMOS DEL SENOR"

SEALING THE WORD: HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

SARABANDE ON LAND OF REST
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

GERALD NEAR

* **AT THE PRESENTATION #708**

WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN

"SCHUMANN"

We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

* **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

May the God of everlasting covenants be with you!
And also with you!
Lift up your thirsty hearts to God.
We long for the waters of grace to fill us.
Sing praises to the One who feeds us with wonder.
Our mouths praise God with joy on our lips.

We praise you, O God, for your ways were not the ways of chaos,
and when you spoke, and waters rushed through weary lands
and gave life to the world;
You crafted humanity in your image,
promising your steadfast love to us for all time,

but we did not listen carefully to you,
and so spent your blessings on those temptations
which never could keep us satisfied.
When we strayed, you sent your prophets
calling us to stop and to turn back to you.
When we would not forsake our foolish ways,
you send Jesus to welcome us home.

So, we join our voices with all those
who seek you in every time and place,
calling upon you with hope and joy.

SANCTUS #552

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

“LAND OF REST”

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Bless-ed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest,
hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, O God, our God,
and blessed is Jesus Christ, your song of joy.
When we had lost our way in the weary land of sin,
he came to lead us to the waters of hope.
When our ways, fertilized by fear and doubt,
were unable to produce any life for us,
he dug up the roots of death,
that resurrection might be planted
deep within us, blooming forever.

From the generosity of your heart
you provide the gifts of this bread and the cup,
charging us nothing,
as your Spirit pours out love and grace on all
who gather at the feast of remembrance.

Here, we are fed with that which is not bread,
but the very life we need,
so we can go forth to serve your people.
Here, our thirsty souls are refreshed by the taste of peace and hope,
so we might speak out for all who are ignored by the world.

And when we know no thoughts but yours,
when we are gathered with our sisters and brothers
in that place which you have prepared,
we will sing for joy in the shelter of your heart,
God in Community, Holy in One. Amen.

Praying the prayer Jesus taught us, let us say together,

THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher.....	Rev. Caroline Kelly
Liturgist.....	Hans Kilius
Director of Music Ministries.....	Bryan Lohr
Musicians.....	The Sanctuary Choir
Sound Technician.....	Joe Aurigemma
Ushers.....	Barbara Leasure and Burt Hiester

WORSHIP & MUSIC NOTES

Lent is the 40-day season before Easter (not including Sundays). Originally, it was a time of preparing candidates for baptism on Easter. Over the centuries it has evolved into a time devoted to renewing our understanding of what it means to be a follower of Christ. We observe Lent in anticipation of the resurrection, and we celebrate Easter remembering the cost of the cross's life-giving victory. Lent began on March 1st with Ash Wednesday and will conclude on April 15th, the day before Easter Sunday.

The **Lenten worship banner** hanging in the front of the sanctuary depicts our journey with Jesus to the cross and toward the death that ultimately brings resurrection life. This week's panel, symbolizing the themes of repentance and return, was stitched by Renee Kiddy.

The **Directory for Worship** indicates that **communion** may be received in one of three traditional ways: passing the elements to each other around the communion table; coming forward to receive the elements by intinction; or seated in the pews. Our typical practice for **receiving communion** is to come forward, take a piece of bread from the basket, dip it into the cup, and eat it (intinction). However, when the occasion is more somber (Advent, Lent, Maundy Thursday, Palm/Passion Sunday and All Saints' Day), we will receive communion in our seats.

Lord, What Is Man is one of the many powerful hymns of Issac Watts, most often sung to an English tune that gained popularity in the American south during the 18th and 19th centuries. This morning's choral introit is a setting by living American composer Alice Parker, made famous by the Robert Shaw Chorale.

Full of angst and turmoil, **A Hymn To God The Father** was published by the English poet, priest, and all-around rebel John Donne in the 1630's, and reflects his lifelong struggle between devotion and doubt. The musical setting by John Ness Beck was written in 1982 for four-part male choir, but the piece became so popular that a mixed-voice setting was prepared by Beck's protégé, Craig Courtney, in 1989, two years after Beck's death.

OUR STAFF

Teaching Elder/Pastor.....	Rev. Caroline M. Kelly
Director of Music Ministries	Bryan Lohr
Youth Ministries Coordinator.....	Robby May
Executive Administrative Assistant.....	Brittany Jackson
Sound Tech/Security.....	Joe Aurigemma
Sexton.....	John Brown

THE SESSION

Class of 2017: Sandra Burton, Cindy Corley, Bob Courtney, Ann Kellermeyer and Bryan Wodaski

Class of 2018: Carl Belt, Carolyn Mathews, Judy Stern, Agnes Yount

Class of 2019: Shirley Giarritta, Phil Mills, Bill McElvie, and David Stickler

Clerk of Session.....	Ann Kellermeyer
Moderator.....	Caroline Kelly

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME VISITORS: We are glad you found your way to First Presbyterian Church of Cumberland. For more information about opportunities to worship, learn and serve with us, we encourage you to visit the table outside the church office. You can also learn more about us at www.fpc-cumberland.org and www.facebook.com/First.Pres.Cumberland. Childcare is provided in the nursery. An usher will be glad to direct you there.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP: While we do provide a nursery for young children, we also welcome you to bring your child with you to worship. We have "worship bags" in the back of the sanctuary that include materials for drawing and coloring, as well as Bible stories and Bible word-find games. In addition, our "Young Children in Worship" pew card contains information about why young children should be encouraged to come to worship and how parents and others can engage them more fully in worship.

FRIENDSHIP PADS: Please locate and sign the red pad in your pew, tear off the sheet and place it in the collection plate during the offering. This important practice allows us to be mindful of new folks and long-time members as well, and is a good way to learn (or remember) the names of those with whom you are seated.

PERSONAL LISTENING DEVICES: (amplifiers) are available in the back of the church for use during worship. Please see an usher for assistance.

WORSHIP BROADCASTS: Our worship services are broadcast live on Sunday mornings by WCBC AM Radio, thanks to the generosity of members and friends. You can sponsor a broadcast (or share a sponsorship with someone) for \$75. If you are interested, please contact Deb Hendrickson or the church office. **There are openings to sponsor the radio broadcast on March 5, April 9, 16, 23, and 30.**

SANCTUARY FLOWERS: The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Ron Sterne, by his wife and family. **Please contact Michael Levitas or the church office if you would like to sponsor flowers. You may specify live or silk flowers. Silk flower money may be directed to either the Special Ministries Fund or to our radio broadcast fund, whichever you prefer.**

INTERFAITH DIALOGUE, DINNER AND LECTURE: TOMORROW, MARCH 6 AT 6:00 PM, join other people of faith for a thought-provoking dinner discussion with Tibetan Buddhist Geshe Lobsan Tenzin Negi, the spiritual director of the Monks of Drepung Loseling Monastery, hosted by FSU. The dinner is free, but reservations are requested. Participants are asked to bring a covered dish side or dessert to share. The event will take place at City Place on Water Street in Frostburg. To register, please visit: <https://frostburg.secure.force.com/ticket/> or contact the box office at [301.687.3137](tel:301.687.3137).

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME: Just a reminder that **next Sunday, March 12th** will begin daylight savings time. Turn your clocks forward one hour!

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of February 26, 2017
Total 2017 Pledges Promised	\$239,352.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 13,339.00
<u>2017 Pledge Balance Promised</u>	<u>\$226,014.00</u>
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$33,108.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$38,069.00
Over/(Under)	\$(4,961.00)

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE	February 28, 2016	February 26, 2017
	61	87

PLANNED GIVING SEMINAR - SAVE THE DATE: Mark your calendars for **6:30PM, Tuesday, May 2nd**, and plan to join us for a **workshop on Planned Giving: Composing a Legacy**. Olanda Carr, Ministry Relations Officer for the Presbyterian Foundation, will help us explore the critical connection between faith and legacy giving. Does your will / estate plan speak of God's grace and love as the source of your faith? To assist with answering this question, participants in the

workshop will be provided with an overview of charitable giving instruments to consider when evaluating and discussing estate planning options with financial and legal advisors. Resources will also be distributed to further assist with the estate planning process.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

WINTER PROJECT WORK NIGHTS (TUESDAYS, JANUARY - MARCH): The B&G Committee has decided to continue painting in the basement and work on several other small projects for our Tuesday Work Night this year. If you like to paint or can work on some of the fix up projects on the list come and join us. Not to worry. If you do not know how to do something we will work it out together and get it done. Everyone is welcome even if you come supervise and provide "quality control". There are jobs for all. Contact Bob Courtney if you are going to help out or for more information.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Beginning **Monday, March 6**, First Presbyterian will become the host site for the blood drives sponsored by the American Red Cross. The blood drives will be held in the Fellowship Hall every first and third Monday of the month from 1:00-6:00PM. This a great opportunity for us to support the community and offer our facilities.

CEILING REMODEL TO BEGIN MARCH 7TH: Ceiling remodeling on the second floor by Rev. Kelly's office will begin on Tuesday, March 7th, and beginning Monday, March 13th, the ceiling between the volunteer office and church office will be remodeled. Please note that each project is expected to last one week and at times there will be limited access to the elevator. We encourage all who are able to use the stairs to the left side of building by the Learning Tree classrooms instead. Please note that you will not be able to access the stairs on the right side of the building by the church office.

FAITH FORMATION

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY: The Young Adult Group meets once a month, typically on the third Friday, on a rotating basis at the home of one of the group members. The next meeting will be held on **Friday, March 17**. If you are interested in learning more about this group, please contact Robby May.

WOMEN'S SPRING RETREAT: SAVE THE DATE - Join us for our annual spring retreat on Friday and Saturday (April 28-29) at the Belt Farm in Romney, WV. Katie Ross will facilitate our exploration of some of the women in the New Testament, through story-telling and reflection. Come to strengthen relationships with one another and God through worship, learning, bread breaking and fellowship. Please contact Brittany by email at firstpresbyteriansecretary@gmail.com or call her at [301-777-3700](tel:301-777-3700) to reserve your place. Some minimal expenses may be incurred but we are not asking for any payment at this time.

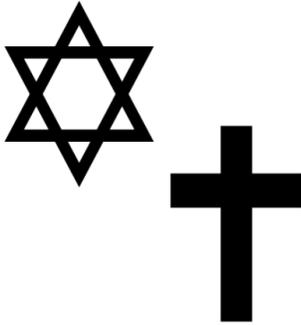
MISSION

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SOUTH DAKOTA THIS SUMMER? If you would like to learn more about the eighth annual Learning Camp, please join Robin Bissell and Janet Hendershot after worship this Sunday, March 5, at 12:30PM in the chapel or on Sunday, March 19, following worship in the library. You can grab a snack and visit a bit in the library before you join us in the chapel for a short slideshow and plenty of time for your questions. **Other times can be arranged by contacting Robin at rbissell444@gmail.com.**

LENTEN DEVOTION OPPORTUNITIES

2017 LENT DEVOTIONAL FROM A SANCTIFIED ART, a partnership of Presbyterian minister artists. This daily devotional includes written reflections on the daily scriptures and a corresponding 40-day calendar to be colored in day by day. The reflections are appropriate for youth and adults and the coloring is appropriate for all ages. **A sample copy is available in the back of the sanctuary. If you would like a copy for yourself, please contact Brittany Jackson at [301-777-3700](tel:301-777-3700) or firstpresbyteriansecretary@gmail.com.**

JOURNEY TO THE CROSS is the Lenten devotional series of d365.org. Journey with these reflections each day through the wilderness of Lent toward the promise of Easter. This devotional experience is written especially for students (but also appropriate for adults) and seeks to provide reflections on themes that impact our faith journey. Sign up at 365.org.



**Lenten Study Series
Claiming Our
Jewish Roots:
How Jewish Practices
Impact our
Christian Faith and Life**

Join friends from Emmanuel Episcopal and St. Paul's Lutheran on Thursdays at 6:00PM in the Fellowship Hall for a simple supper, followed by study and conversation.

March 9 - Holy Water: Ritual Washing and Baptism

March 16 - Holy Words: The Word of God in Jewish and Christian Scripture

March 23 - Holy Ways: Sabbath Keeping and other Spiritual Practices

March 30 - Holy Meals: Passover Seder and Communion

**Model Seder with Rabbi Perman
Sunday, April 2 from 4:30-6:30PM
Fellowship Hall**

Rabbi Mark Perman of B'er Chayim will lead a model Seder for us and our Lutheran and Episcopal neighbors on April 2 in the Fellowship Hall. A Seder is an annual feast designed to tell the story of the Exodus of the Jewish people from slavery in Egypt on Passover. It includes reading, drinking wine, telling stories, eating special foods and singing.

During the course of the evening you will have four cups of wine (small cups!), parsley dipped in saltwater, a flat, dry cracker-like bread called matzah, bitter herbs dipped into *charoset* (a paste of nuts, apples, pears and wine) and a festive meal that may contain time-honored favorites, like matzah soup and roasted chicken. Each item has its place in a 15-step choreographed combination of tastes, sounds, sensations and smells that have been with the Jewish people for millennia.

Join us for this very special event.

Please RSVP by calling Brittany Jackson at 301-777-3700 or emailing her at firstpresbyteriansecretary@gmail.com or fill out the form below and put it in the offering plate during worship.

_____ Number of adults

_____ Number of youth

_____ Number of children under 12

_____ Childcare desired

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

SUNDAY, MARCH (5)

9:45 AM ADULT BIBLE STUDY
11:00 AM SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT
12:00 PM FIRST SUNDAY FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE LIBRARY
12:30 PM SOUTH DAKOTA INFORMATIONAL MEETING IN THE CHAPEL
3:00 PM CONFIRMATION CLASS IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE
4:30 PM YOUTH FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

MONDAY, MARCH (6)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
1:00 PM AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
6:00 PM BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MEETING IN THE PARLOR

TUESDAY, MARCH (7)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
5:30 PM WORSHIP & MUSIC MEETING IN THE PARLOR
6:00 PM MISSION MEETING
6:30 PM BUILDINGS & GROUNDS WORK NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, MARCH (8)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
5:30 PM BRIDGES: GETTING AHEAD CLASS
6:00 PM COVENANT BIBLE STUDY IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE
6:15 PM JOYBELLS REHEARSAL
7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM
7:30 PM SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, MARCH (9)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
6:00 PM LENTEN STUDY SERIES IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

FRIDAY, MARCH (10)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

SATURDAY, MARCH (11)

9:15 AM PEO MEETING IN THE PARLOR
6:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

SUNDAY, MARCH (12)

****DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS****

9:45 AM ADULT BIBLE STUDY
11:00 AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT



Watch us live on Livestream- Sundays at 11 a.m.

new.livestream.com/accounts/4246707

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Copies of Pastor Caroline's sermons are available on the church website
at www.fpc-cumberland.org/worship/sermons.

MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we worship God and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ by loving our neighbors and promoting peacemaking, justice and care of the earth.

VISION STATEMENT

We strive to be a community grounded in the good news of God's love in Christ where all of God's children are:

- Welcomed and cherished
- Called to worship, learn and grow together in faith, and
- Sent to share God's love and justice with a broken and hurting world.

Adopted by the Session on September 17, 2015