

SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT:  
HOLY COMMUNION  
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT  
APRIL 2, 2017

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

11:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY

CANTABILE  
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

CESAR FRANCK

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CHORAL INTROIT

WHEN JESUS WEPT  
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

WILLIAM BILLINGS

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound.  
When Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

We come, bound by the past and fearful of the future.  
**Lord, unbind us!**  
We come, bound by the weight of guilt and grief.  
**Lord, raise us up!**  
We come, Lord, to be revived in your presence.  
**Lord, breathe new life into our spirits!**  
Let us worship God!

\* HYMN #321

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

"AURELIA"

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

### ANTHEM

IN PARADISUM

GABRIEL FAURÉ

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

Translation from Latin:

May the angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs receive you at your arrival and lead you to the holy city Jerusalem.  
May choirs of angels receive you and with Lazarus, once a poor man, may you have eternal rest.

## GOSPEL READING

JOHN 11:1-45

PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 98

NARRATOR: CAROLINE KELLY; DISCIPLES: JOSH GILHART; MARTHA: CHERI DUNCAN; JESUS: ERIC RINGLER

*At the conclusion of the reading:*  
We live not by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from God.  
Thanks be to God.

## SERMON

REV. CAROLINE KELLY  
REV. DANIEL PALA

# RESPONDING TO THE WORD

## \* HYMN #833

O LOVE THAT WILT NOT LET ME GO

“ST. MARGARET

## INVITATION TO OFFERING

## MUSICAL OFFERING

ADAGIO FROM FANTASIE IN C  
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

CÉSAR FRANCK

### \* 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

## SEALING THE WORD: HOLY COMMUNION

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is good to give our thanks and praise.**

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe,  
for your promise is true, you are with us always, even to the end of the age.

**We give you thanks**

for in the beginning you created with a word  
and the whole world reflects your glory.

**We give you thanks,**

for with a word you called for yourself a people  
gave us your breath, your name, your blessing.

**We give you thanks,**

for your prophets through the ages  
who shared your vision, spoke your truth,  
called us to your way even when we turned our backs on you,  
our eyes set on our own design.

**When we would not listen,**

your persistent promise sought us, your word became flesh  
you walked among us and offered your very body, your life and love,  
to bring us home in relationship to you.

**Even when we acted out of fear,**

uncertain what a life based on love could accomplish,  
you reached out to save us.

**Even when we speak out of fear,**

blaming and accusing, shouting without listening,  
you whisper your still small voice,

do not be afraid, I am with you.

Gratitude and praise fill our hearts, O God,  
and lift us up to your heavenly banquet,  
**where we join our voices with your people throughout the ages**  
**proclaiming your goodness,**  
**praying for courage to live from your grace.**

Open our eyes to see your glory at this table,  
and to see that your guest list extends far beyond our own.  
**Give us courage to enact your kingdom feast at our own tables.**  
In a world where some thrive on fear ...  
*(the celebrant continues the prayer)*

... We pray these and all things in the name of Christ,  
host at this and every table, who taught us to pray together...

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.

### BREAKING OF THE BREAD

### COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*(We will receive communion by intinction; as directed,  
please come forward and form a circle around the communion table.  
When the servers come to you, take a piece of bread from the basket,  
dip it into the cup and eat it. You'll return to your seat the same way you come forward.)*

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of grace, you have given us all things,  
and you have fed us with Christ's presence through this sacrament.  
We commit ourselves to you now,  
and we give ourselves to the work of your kingdom,  
which is upon us in Jesus' life. Thanks be to God! Amen.

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

#### \* HYMN #275

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

"EIN' FESTE BURG"

#### \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

#### \* SUNG BENEDICTION #306

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.

The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

## CLOSING VOLUNTARY

FINALE FROM SYMPHONIE II  
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

CHARLES-MARIE WIDOR

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\* When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.  
Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

## THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP LEADERS

Preachers.....Rev. Caroline Kelly and Rev. Daniel Pala  
Liturgist.....Hans Killius  
Director of Music Ministries.....Bryan Lohr  
Musicians.....The Sanctuary Choir  
Sound Technician.....Joe Aurigemma  
Ushers.....Barbara Leasure and Judy Stern

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> with Ash Wednesday and will conclude on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 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 God's forgiveness and reconciliation, was stitched by Eleanor Johnson.

**Today** we celebrate the relationship with our sister church, the **Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren (ECCB) in Vsetin**, Czech Republic, by using some of the same prayers and hymns, reading the same scripture lessons, and hearing reflections on the lessons from the pastors of both congregations.

In addition, **we receive communion in the custom of their congregation** by coming forward in groups to form a large circle around the communion table. (We will not use their custom of drinking wine from the common cup but continue our custom of dipping the bread into a cup of grape juice). We will also serve communion in the pews to folks who choose not or cannot come forward to receive it.

This is the fourth time we have "shared" worship with our friends in Vsetin, as part of our commitment to partner with them as sisters and brothers in Christ. As partners, we have promised to pray for each other, to share our faith with one another and to serve together in common mission. The church in Vsetin will participate in our services via LiveStream, already having worshiped five hours earlier because of the time difference.

The **ECCB** was formed in 1918 as a unification of the Lutheran and Reformed churches in Bohemia and Moravia. The church has roots in the "pre-reformation" efforts of the 15th century Czech priest, Jan Hus, considered a key predecessor of the Protestant movement of the 16th century, in which Martin Luther and John Calvin were leaders. The ECCB is the largest Protestant denomination in the Czech Republic. The chalice (cup for communion) serves as the symbol of their denomination to highlight the restored practice of serving both elements of communion to the people, the cup having been withheld in the Roman Catholic tradition for many years.

We are looking for people to help with worship on **Palm/Passion Sunday (Sunday, April 8)**. If you would be willing to read a part (a few words or a few paragraphs) in the choral reading of the Passion Story or help strip the sanctuary of all decoration at the end of the service, please contact Caroline Kelly or Bryan Lohr.

## 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

## 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

## 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](http://www.fpc-cumberland.org) and [www.facebook.com/First.Pres.Cumberland](https://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. This morning's broadcast is made possible by the generosity of Carolyn Mathews. **There are openings to sponsor the radio broadcast on June 25, July 2 and 30.**

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS:** Please contact Michael Levitas or the church office if you would like to sponsor flowers. We have flower openings on April 9 and 23. 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.

## ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

<b>ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:</b>	<b>as of March 26, 2017</b>
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	\$52,974.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$54,988.00
Over/(Under)	\$(2,014.00)

<b>SUNDAY ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>March 27, 2016</b>	<b>March 26, 2017</b>
	128 (Easter Sunday)	67

**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

**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE:** First Presbyterian has 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 REMODELING:** Ceiling remodeling and painting in the first and second floor hallways and stairways near our staff offices will continue for another week or two. Because you may not be able to access those stairways during construction, we encourage all who are able to use the stairs on the other side of the building or the elevator.

## 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 this **Friday, April 7 at 6:00PM at Wasabi**. If you are interested in learning more about this group, please contact Robby May.

**WOMEN'S SPRING RETREAT: REGISTER NOW** - 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](mailto: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

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING:** On Easter our congregation has the opportunity to give to the **One Great Hour of Sharing**. 32% goes toward supporting the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA).

On the **international scene** 15 countries received aid and support after catastrophic events, including the violence in South Sudan, earthquakes in Ecuador, flooding and drought in Malawi, response to religious minorities fleeing ISIL, and ongoing assistance for refugees and internally displaced persons related to Syria.

On the **national level** 25 states received help following natural and human-caused disasters, including flooding in South Carolina, Texas, West Virginia, and Louisiana, wildfires in California and the Pacific Northwest; ongoing response to Superstorm Sandy; and various public violence incidents.

The money you give to the **One Great Hour of Sharing** does make a difference!

Find out more about the ongoing work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance at [presbyterianmission.org/pda](http://presbyterianmission.org/pda).

## WORSHIP & MUSIC



\*Palm/Passion Sunday, April 9 at 11:00AM at First Presbyterian

\* Maundy Thursday, April 13 at 7:00PM at Emmanuel Episcopal

\* Good Friday, April 14 at 12:00 PM at First Presbyterian (in the Chapel) and 7:00PM at St. Paul's Lutheran

\* Easter Sunday, April 16 = Sunrise service at Rocky Gap at 7:00AM and a traditional service in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian at 11:00AM

## Easter Music 2017

You can also celebrate Easter by contributing to the Special Music Fund. This fund is separate from the budget and is used to pay guest musicians for special music during worship on holidays and throughout the year.

*Note: Special Music money may be given any time of the year.*

Special Music Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

My Special Music gift is in honor/memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Given to the Glory of God by: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Checks for music should be made payable to First Presbyterian Church and returned to the church no later than **Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>** if you want your dedication listed in the bulletin.



# The Great Dakota Giveaway!

## Soup & Chili Rodeo, Live and Silent Auction

First Presbyterian Church

11 Washington St.

Cumberland, MD

Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM

Auctioneer: Buck Belt

**Help us raise funds to send 20 inspired volunteers to serve at a  
summer learning camp for children in South Dakota**

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The Great Dakota Giveaway  
Sunday, April 30th at 12:30 p.m.

**Yes, I will come to support our volunteers and enjoy this fellowship and food event.**  
(All the food you can eat for only \$5 per person!)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending: \_\_\_\_\_

I can donate the following items: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I can donate the following service to be auctioned (babysitting, car wash, consulting, teaching):

\_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions or if you would like to make a donation,  
please contact Robin Bissell at [rbissell444@gmail.com](mailto:rbissell444@gmail.com) .

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

### SUNDAY, APRIL (2)

9:45 AM	ADULT BIBLE STUDY
11:00 AM	SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT
12:00 PM	FIRST SUNDAY FOOD & FELLOWSHIP
12:30 PM	CONFIRMATION CLASS IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE
4:30 PM	MODEL SEDER IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

### MONDAY, APRIL (3)

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

### TUESDAY, APRIL (4)

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

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL (5)

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

### THURSDAY, APRIL (6)

9:00 AM	CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
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### FRIDAY, APRIL (7)

9:00 AM	CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
6:00 PM	YOUNG ADULT GROUP AT WASABI YOUTH LOCK-IN

### SATURDAY, APRIL (8)

9:30 AM	PEO MEETING IN THE PARLOR
6:00 PM	N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM
6:00 PM	ALPHA PHI OMEGA LOCK-IN

### SUNDAY, APRIL (9)

9:45 AM	ADULT BIBLE STUDY
11:00 AM	SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY: PALM/PASSION SUNDAY
1:00 PM	SOUTH DAKOTA LEARNING CAMP INTERVIEWS



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

<http://www.facebook.com/First.Pres.Cumberland>

Copies of Pastor Caroline's sermons are available on the church website  
at [www.fpc-cumberland.org/worship/sermons](http://www.fpc-cumberland.org/worship/sermons).