

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
PALM/PASSION SUNDAY  
APRIL 9, 2017

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

11:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

*(Since our service is broadcast on the radio, please make sure  
you have permission to request prayer on behalf of another person.)*

OPENING VOLUNTARY    CHORALE PRELUDE ON VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN    J. S. BACH  
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN    BWV 736

PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM    MATTHEW 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage,  
at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples saying to them,  
"Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied,  
and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me."  
If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.'  
And he will send them immediately."  
This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet saying,  
"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on  
a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."  
The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them;  
they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them.  
A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road,  
and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.  
The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,  
"Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who came in the name of the Lord!  
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"  
When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?"  
The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

CHORAL INTROIT    SING AND SHOUT PRAISES    ERIC STOVER  
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR  
Sing and shout praises!  
Give God honor and thankfulness; pray!  
Alleluia!  
Alleluia, amen!  
Hosanna, Lord!  
Praise the Lord! Give glory to his name!  
All our sins are washed away, so sing, "Amen!"

Bach's **Chorale  
Prelude on Valet  
will ich dir geben**  
is in the minority  
of Bach's chorale  
preludes that  
were not  
composed as part  
of a larger  
collection.  
Overflowing with  
power and joy,  
the piece features  
the melody of the  
hymn **All Glory,  
Laud, And Honor**  
in elongated  
notes in the organ  
pedals, with the  
organist playing a  
rapid,  
contrapuntal  
gigue on the  
organ keyboards.

We begin Holy  
Week by  
combining the  
Palm processional  
and Passion  
narrative to  
affirm the  
inseparable  
relationship  
between the  
death and the  
resurrection of  
Jesus. In this way  
we lift up the  
inherent tension  
that exists  
between Jesus'  
joyful entry into  
Jerusalem and the  
somberness of his  
suffering and  
death.

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest!

**\* HYMN #321**

ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR

“VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN”

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

You ride in with humble glory,  
and we wave our palm branches,  
shouting and dancing our prayer of Hosanna.  
We join our voices and hearts with the crowd,  
hoping that you will do what we expect of you.  
But your way is not always glorious,  
not always cheering crowds, not always a parade of victory.  
Lead us, Lord, to know your way,  
and to walk with you on any road you travel...

*(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**

The bad news is ...  
no matter what we do or don't do,  
these lush, shiny, green palm leaves  
are going to eventually wither, dry, and turn brown.

But the good news is...  
no matter what we do or don't do,  
The tireless, relentless, limitless love of God  
Always remains, unshakably, the same.

**\* 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 signs of peace.)*

The Lenten worship banner depicts our journey with Jesus to the cross and toward the death that ultimately brings resurrection life. The art panels have been removed for Holy Week, leaving the somber looking road and crosses of Calvary. Then, next Sunday, on Easter, a full and brilliant resurrection cross will replace the three gaunt crosses.

# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING OF THE PASSION ACCORDING TO MATTHEW (See insert)

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### TIME FOR SILENT REFLECTION

\* HYMN #221

O SACRED HEAD, NOW WOUNDED

"PASSION CHORALE"

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONCLUDING WITH 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.

### INVITATION TO OFFERING

#### MUSICAL OFFERING

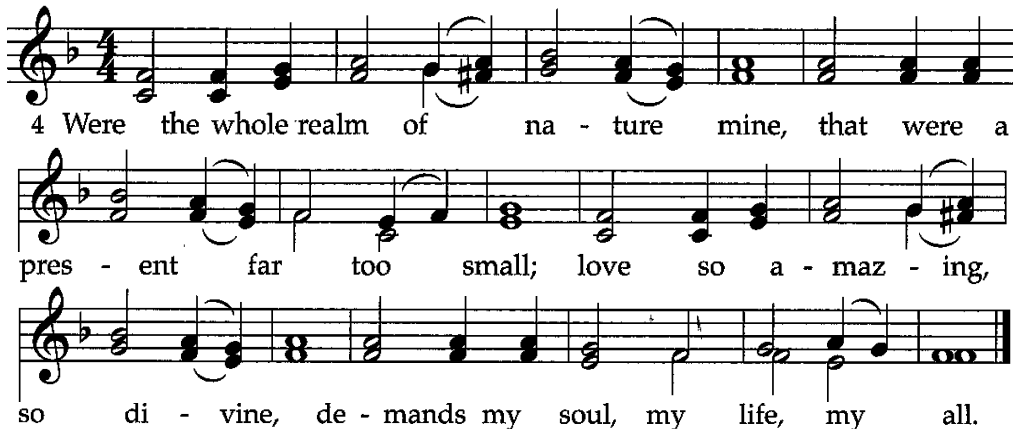
JESUS, SO LOWLY

HAROLD FRIEDEL

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

Jesus so lowly, child of the earth, christen me wholly, bring me new birth.  
Jesus so lonely, weary and sad, teach me that only love maketh glad.  
Jesus so broken, silent and pale, be this the token, love will not fail.  
Jesus victorious, mighty and free, teach me how glorious death is to be.

\* AT THE PRESENTATION



4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a  
pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,  
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

\* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\* HYMN #228

WERE YOU THERE

"WERE YOU THERE"

(Choir: verse 1; Congregation: verses 2-5)

Today, we will all participate in the Passion Narrative. Please note the places in the insert where the **CONGREGATION** speaks and be prepared to join in.

Harold Friedell was a 20th century American composer and church musician who taught at The Juilliard School and Union Seminary. **Jesus, So Lowly** is written in Friedell's quintessential style, with slight variances in each verse, in order to best express the text.

## READING OF PSALM 22 AND STRIPPING OF THE SANCTUARY

*(At the conclusion of the reading, please exit the sanctuary in silence and come to the front lawn of the church.)*

### \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* 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

Preacher.....Caroline Kelly  
Liturgist.....Bryan Wodaski  
Reader.....Cindy Corley  
Director of Music Ministries.....Bryan Lohr  
Musicians.....The Sanctuary Choir  
Sound Technician.....Joe Aurigemma  
Ushers.....James Stickler and Joe Weaver  
Bell Ringer.....Ben Fiscus

We strip the sanctuary of all decoration (cloth, flowers, communion cup and paten, paraments, candles), and slowly extinguish the lights to symbolize the sense of desolation and loss that characterizes the next few days.

### 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

# HOLY WEEK



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- April 13:** **7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service at Emmanuel Episcopal**  
Come hear the story of Jesus' last night with his disciples and share a sacred meal in his name. This special service includes the option of foot washing, healing prayer and anointing for service. Clergy and musicians from all three churches will provide leadership.
- April 14:** **12:00PM Good Friday Service at First Presbyterian in the Chapel**  
We will remember Jesus' crucifixion in a brief, quiet service including a reading of the Passion story from the Iona Community, Taizé music and prayers. The hours of noon to 3:00 p.m. are particularly significant as these commemorate the time Jesus hung on the cross.
- 7:00 PM Good Friday Service at St. Paul's Lutheran**  
Our service will be contemplative and will include a dramatic reading of the Passion Narrative according to John, a time for venerating the cross, and music offered by the choirs of all three churches.
- April 16:** **7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service at Rocky Gap**  
Greet the sunrise with our Easter Sunrise Service at Rocky Gap (Mountain View Pavilion). We celebrate the Resurrection in a service including the reading and proclamation of the Easter story, communion and music led by Zach and Mikayla Dodge and Bryan Lohr. Remember to dress warmly. Hot beverages will be available after the service.
- 10:00 am Easter Fellowship in the Library**  
Visit with family and friends and snack on treats in the Library before gathering in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday worship.
- 11:00 AM Easter Sunday Service**  
We celebrate the Resurrection with the Proclamation of the Gospel according to Matthew, communion and music accompanied by a brass quartet and featuring the festival anthem "God's Right Hand And Holy Arm" by K. Lee Scott and the monumental "Toccata" from the Fifth Organ Symphonie of Widor as the closing voluntary.



**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).

## 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 Bob and Sharon Kazary. **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 23 and May 28. 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

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of April 2, 2017
Total 2017 Pledges Promised	\$239,352.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 13,339.00
2017 Pledge Balance Promised	\$226,014.00
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$59,809.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$59,218.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 590.00

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE	April 3, 2016	April 2, 2017
	78	78

**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

**CEILING REMODELING:** Ceiling remodeling and painting in the first and second floor hallways and stairways near our staff offices is now complete. Feel free to take a look any time before or after church and see how awesome the remodel has turned out. Special thanks to the Buildings and Grounds Committee for all their diligent work in seeing this project through.

## FAITH FORMATION

**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.

### EASTER EGG HUNT AND BLESSING

Date: April 15, 2017

Time: 10am

Place: Ann and Bill Kellermeyer's Home  
19301 Fair Oaks Lane  
Flintstone, MD

A Milestones Ministry Moment for young children, grandchildren, their families and friends!

Activities include breakfast, devotional, egg coloring, egg hunting, and a blessing for our eggs.



Please RSVP to Cindy at [ccorley24@msn.com](mailto:ccorley24@msn.com) or 301-876-3650 by Wednesday, April 12.

Directions to Ann's home: Rt 68 get off at the Rocky Gap exit go right and then turn left onto Rt 144. Take next right onto Breakneck Rd go about 2.7 miles then you will turn left onto W Wilson (this intersection is like a triangle) go about a ½ mile and make right onto Fair Oaks Lane last house on right.

## MISSION

**MISSION OUTREACH DINNER:** The monthly outreach dinner that we help with will be held **Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>** at the HRDC building on Virginia Avenue. Dinner will be served from 4:00-5:30PM. If anyone can volunteer to serve dinner, help clean tables, and/or bake cupcakes please let Judy Stern, Phil Mills, or Linda Smith know. **Please note that the monthly dinners will now remain at the HRDC building until further notice.**

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING:** On Easter our congregation has the opportunity to give to the **One Great Hour of Sharing**. 36% of the offering is allocated to the Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP).

On the **international** level more than 308,000 people who were living in extreme poverty in more than 30 countries now have increased food security and livelihoods, and stronger leadership and organization through international development work.

On the **national level** 65 grant partners in the US have impacted local and national change in maintaining effective safety nets, addressing immigration issues for the working poor, and developing robust and healthy alternative food systems that address rural and urban poverty in sustainable ways.

**WEST VIRGINIA FLOOD RELIEF MISSION TRIP:** A Moment for Mission will be giving on April 30 and May 7 for the West Virginia Flood Relief Mission trip scheduled for **September 16-23, 2017**. Phil Mills will also be available after the services to discuss the trip with anyone interested in participating.

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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 **today** if you want your dedication listed in the bulletin.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

### 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  
4:30 PM YOUTH GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

### MONDAY, APRIL (10)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN  
4:45 PM ADMIN & FINANCE MEETING IN THE PARLOR

### TUESDAY, APRIL (11)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL (12)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN  
10:30 AM STAFF MEETING IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE  
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 (13)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN  
7:00 PM MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE AT EMMANUEL EPISCOPAL

### FRIDAY, APRIL (14)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN  
12:00 PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE AT FPC IN THE CHAPEL  
7:00 PM GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE AT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN

### SATURDAY, APRIL (15)

10:00AM EASTER EGG HUNT & BLESSING AT THE KELLERMEYER HOME  
6:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM



SUNDAY, APRIL (16)

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD/EASTER SUNDAY

7:00 AM

SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT AT ROCKY GAP STATE PARK

10:00 AM

FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE LIBRARY

11:00 AM

SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT IN THE SANCTUARY

# The Great Dakota Giveaway!

## Soup & Chili Rodeo, Live and Silent Auction

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).

