

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

MAY 14, 2017

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

11:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY

GOD YOU ARE MY GOD

DELIRIOUS?

THE YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

God you're my God, you're my God
And I will seek you, yes, I will seek you

You satisfy my soul
So I will praise you as long as I live

I've seen your power and your glory
You've let me see you in the sanctuary
Because your love is better than my life
I will lift up my hands in sacrifice

We give you praise, give you praise
For you are worthy, yes, you are worthy
We're going to the house of God, are you coming

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

GATHERING SONG

LORD, PREPARE ME (SANCTUARY)

"SANCTUARY"

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus says, "I am the Way for you."
And so we come to follow Christ
Jesus says, "I am the Truth for you."
And so we come to dwell in the light.
Jesus says, "I am the Life for you"
And so we come, leaving behind all else to which we cling.

* HYMN #388

COME ALL YOU PEOPLE

"UYAI MOSE"

(Make a joyful noise with your percussion instrument.)

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker;
come all you people, come and praise your Maker;
come all you people, come and praise your Maker;
come now and worship the Lord.

Come all you people, come and praise your Savior;
come all you people, come and praise your Savior;
come all you people, come and praise your Savior;
come now and worship the Lord.

Delirious?

formed out of the youth praise and worship event and recording project 'The Cutting Edge' in the town of Littlehampton in Great Britain. The original recording of 'God You Are My God', released in 2000, samples monastic singing, gospel choirs, digital sounds, and the band's performance of this more obscure but powerful praise song.

Come all you people, come and praise the Spirit;
come all you people, come and praise the Spirit;
come all you people, come and praise the Spirit;
come now and worship the Lord.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving Christ, you tell your disciples
that you are the Way, the Truth, and the Life,
yet how often we lose our way, confuse the truth,
and choose little deaths rather than live in your abundance.

We confess our distractions,
how tempted we are by roads more traveled.

We admit the seduction of certainty,
of those who say what we want to hear.

We know our ways of life make us sick and threaten our planet,
yet we feel powerless to live otherwise.

Still, in your grace, you give us the cross, the signpost on your Way.

Your Truth confronts the powers of this world,
revealing their self-service and false promises.

Your Life grows as we follow you
and so discover an abundance we could never imagine on our own,
bringing life to communities everywhere.

Help us to know the Way and to share the Truth, that all may have Life in your name...

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

KYRIE ELEISON #579

LORD, HAVE MERCY

"ORTHODOX"

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison, Christe eleison. Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

* RESPONSE #582

GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

"GLORY TO GOD"

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. *(repeat twice)*
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

* 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.)

We lead the acts
of **confession and
assurance of
forgiveness** from
the baptismal
font, since it is at
baptism that we
first receive the
promises of
forgiveness and
rebirth.

This version of the
traditional 2nd
century **Gloria
Patri**, was adapted
by New York
composer Paul
Vasile and set to
uplifting, Gospel-
style music in
2008.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

PSALM 31:1-5, 15-16 (*The Message*)

^{1,2} I run to you, GOD; I run for dear life.

Don't let me down! Take me seriously this time!

Get down on my level and listen, and please—no procrastination!

Your granite cave a hiding place, your high cliff aerie a place of safety.

^{3,5} You're my cave to hide in, my cliff to climb.

Be my safe leader, be my true mountain guide.

Free me from hidden traps, I want to hide in you.

I've put my life in your hands.

You won't drop me, you'll never let me down.

ANTHEM

GREAT ARE YOU LORD

JASON INGRAM, LESLIE JORDAN

THE YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

AND DAVID LEONARD

You give life, you are love.

You bring light to the darkness

You give hope, you restore every heart that is broken

Great are you, Lord.

Refrain: It's your breath in our lungs

So we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise

It's your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise to you only.

All the earth will shout your praise

Our hearts will cry these bones will sing

Great are you, Lord

Refrain

GOSPEL READING

JOHN 14:1-14 (*The Message*)

"Don't let this throw you. You trust God, don't you? Trust me. There is plenty of room for you in my Father's home. If that weren't so, would I have told you that I'm on my way to get a room ready for you? And if I'm on my way to get your room ready, I'll come back and get you so you can live where I live. And you already know the road I'm taking."

⁵ Thomas said, "Master, we have no idea where you're going. How do you expect us to know the road?"

^{6,7} Jesus said, "I am the Road, also the Truth, also the Life. No one gets to the Father apart from me. If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him. You've even seen him!"

⁸ Philip said, "Master, show us the Father; then we'll be content."

⁹⁻¹⁰ "You've been with me all this time, Philip, and you still don't understand? To see me is to see the Father. So how can you ask, 'Where is the Father?' Don't you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I speak to you aren't mere words. I don't just make them up on my own. The Father who resides in me crafts each word into a divine act.

¹¹⁻¹⁴ "Believe me: I am in my Father and my Father is in me. If you can't believe that, believe what you see—these works. The person who trusts me will not only do what I'm doing but even greater things, because I, on my way to the Father, am giving you the

The Message is a 2002 translation of the Bible written by theologian and pastor, Eugene Peterson, for two types of people: those who hadn't read the Bible because it seemed too distant and irrelevant and those who had read the Bible so much that it had become "old hat."

All Sons and Daughters, led by Leslie Jordan and David Leonard, lead worship for Franklin, Tennessee's Journey Church. Their music, organically wrought through their worship leading, captures modern folk sensibilities.

'Great Are You Lord' comes off of their debut title album from 2014.

same work to do that I've been doing. You can count on it. From now on, whatever you request along the lines of who I am and what I am doing, I'll do it. That's how the Father will be seen for who he is in the Son. I mean it. Whatever you request in this way, I'll do.

SERMON

ROBBY MAY

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN

COME, MY WAY, MY TRUTH, MY LIFE

"THE CALL"

The text of this **hymn** was written by George Herbert in 1633. The tune was composed by Ralph Vaughn Williams in 1911.

1. Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: such a way as
2. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a light as
3. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a joy as

gives us breath, such a truth as ends all strife,
shows a feast, such a feast as mends in length,
none can move, such a love as none can part,

such a life as kill - eth death.
such a strength as makes his guest.
such a heart as joys in love.

SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION

CAROLINE KELLY AND JULIE COURTNEY

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

JANET HENDERSHOT AND JEFF GETTY

REAGAN MARRALE

TIM STERNE

APOSTLES' CREED (Ecumenical Version)

I believe in God the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.

Confirmation refers to the rite of passage in the church whereby baptized members make a public profession of their faith in Christ and become full members of the church. When they were baptized, their parents professed the faith of the church on their behalf. At the time of confirmation, these young people reaffirm those baptismal vows, claiming the faith of the church for themselves.

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANOIDTING

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

BLESSING

RESPONSE #698

TAKE, O TAKE ME AS I AM
(sing three times)

“TAKE ME AS I AM”

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.)*

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

OCEANS (WHERE FEET MAY FAIL)
THE YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

MATT CROCKER, JOEL HOUSTON,
AND SALOMON LIGTHELR

You call me out upon the waters, the great unknown where feet may fail.
And there I find you in the mystery, in oceans deep, my faith will stand.

I will call upon your name
and keep my eyes above the waves.
When oceans rise my soul will rest in your embrace
for I am yours and you are mine.

Your grace abounds in deepest waters, your sovereign hand will be my guide.
Where feet may fail and fear surrounds me, you've never failed and you won't start now

So I will call upon your name
and keep my eyes above the waves.
When oceans rise my soul will rest in your embrace
for I am yours and you are mine.

Hillsong United
band originated at
the Hillsong Church
in Sydney,
Australia where it
grew out of the
church's youth
ministry. The band
has been writing
and recording
music with a
rotating member
lineup for 19 years.
'Oceans (Where
Feet May Fail)' was
released in 2013.

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters wherever you would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Savior

I will call upon your name
and keep my eyes above the waves.
When oceans rise my soul will rest in your embrace
for I am yours and you are mine.

* **AT THE PRESENTATION** *PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW* "LASST UNS ERFREUEN"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION**

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* **HYMN #318** *SHOUT TO THE NORTH* "SMITH"

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **SUNG BENEDICTION #306** *BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS* DENNIS
(Please join hands as we sing together.)

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

* **CLOSING VOLUNTARY** *WE ARE STANDING ON HOLY GROUND* GERON DAVIS
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

Written and recorded by the members of Delirious? as 'The Cutting Edge Band', 'Shout To The North' was written as part of a youth outreach event instigated by Arun Community Church in Littlehampton, West Sussex.

* 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.....Robby May
Liturgist.....Young Adults and Caroline Kelly
Director of Music Ministries.....Bryan Lohr
Musicians.....The Young Adult Ministry
Sound Technician.....Joe Aurigemma
Ushers.....Carolyn Mathews and Aaron Hendrickson

WORSHIP NOTES

Reagan Marrale and **Tim Sterne** participated in a school year-long process of study designed to help them explore the faith of the Reformed tradition and the Presbyterian form of government. As they have prepared to commit their lives to Christ and participate fully in the life of the church, each was mentored by an adult member of the congregation. We are grateful for Reagan and Tim and the gifts they bring to the church; to their mentors, Janet Hendershot and

Jeff Getty, for their commitment to helping them grow in their faith; and to Julie Courtney and Caroline Kelly for facilitating the confirmation process.

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

OUR STAFF

Teaching Elder/Pastor.....Rev. Caroline M. Kelly
Director of Music MinistriesBryan 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. This morning's broadcast is made possible by the generosity of Royce and Nancy Hodges. **There are openings to sponsor the radio broadcast on July 2, August 6, 13, and 20.**

SANCTUARY FLOWERS: The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of her mother, Jane Adams Raupach, and her dear friend, Susan Scott, her second mother, by Kim Mills. **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.**

BIKES FOR THE WORLD: On **Saturday, May 20th, from 10:00AM-12:00PM** the Western MD Wheelmen and Cumberland Rotary Club will hold their 15th annual collection of used but usable bicycles at the Canal Place. Collected bikes will be donated to low income communities around the globe, making it possible for disadvantaged people to improve their access to jobs, education, and healthcare. A \$10 per bike donation is requested to help defray the cost of repairs and transportation. For more information, please contact Valerie Van Hollen at 301-777-8783.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of May 7, 2017
Total 2017 Pledges Promised	\$241,753.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 13,339.00
<u>2017 Pledge Balance Promised</u>	<u>\$228,414.00</u>
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$87,839.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$80,367.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 7,471.00

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE	May 8, 2016	May 7, 2017
	79	70

FAITH FORMATION

SAVE THE DATE: VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Vacation Bible School will take place the week of **June 20-24**, beginning with supper at 5:30 followed by the program from 6:00-8:00PM. The **theme** is **Rome: Paul and the Underground Church**. **For more information and to register, contact the church office.**

SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY, JUNE 9- GETTING A DRIVER'S LICENSE: WHAT'S GOD GOT TO DO WITH IT? Come find out as we celebrate our youth who are on their way to becoming licensed drivers. Join us for a potluck picnic supper and conversation about the connection between this important rite of passage and our relationship with God, as we gift and bless these soon-to-be licensed drivers. The event will take place at Rocky Gap State Park, White Pine Shelter, starting at 6:00PM.

MISSION

PENTECOST OFFERING: On Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the arrival of the Holy Spirit as a bringer of new life with an offering intended to nurture the faith of those newest among us. The Pentecost Offering unites us in effort to support young people in Christ and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. Presbyterian congregations are finding new ways to minister to children at risk in their own communities (the Family Junction). General Assembly programs are advocating for children and developing youth and young adult leaders. By giving to the Pentecost Offering, our congregation participates in the promise of the Holy Spirit—which is “for you, for your children, and for all . . .” —Acts 2:39. **Please consider giving generously to the Pentecost Offering on June 4th.**

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

SUNDAY, MAY (14)

ATPCO NAILS GROUP ARRIVES

9:45 AM ADULT BIBLE STUDY
11:00 AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY: CONFIRMATION SUNDAY
YOUNG ADULTS LEAD WORSHIP

MONDAY, MAY (15)

ATPCO NAILS GROUP

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
1:00 PM AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

TUESDAY, MAY (16)

ATPCO NAILS GROUP

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

WEDNESDAY, MAY (17)

ATPCO NAILS GROUP

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

THURSDAY, MAY (18)

ATPCO NAILS GROUP

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
7:00 PM SESSION MEETING IN THE LIBRARY

FRIDAY, MAY (19)

ATPCO NAILS GROUP

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

SATURDAY, MAY (20)

6:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

SUNDAY, MAY (21)

9:45 AM ADULT BIBLE STUDY
11:00 AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY: ORDINATION/INSTALLATION OF ELDERS
4:30 PM YOUTH GROUP MEETING
5:00 PM CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SERVICE IN THE CHAPEL

***Please note that Sexton John Brown will be on vacation from May 22- May 26th.



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.