

SERVICE OF WORD AND SACRAMENT: AUGUST 6, 2017

HOLY COMMUNION NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

10:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY

CHORALE PRELUDE ON *EIN FESTE BURG*
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

JOHANN GOTTFRIED WALTHER

The opening voluntary is a contrapuntal setting of the first hymn by German Baroque composer, theorist, and lexicographer, Johann Gottfried Walther.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Response:



In Je - sus we find life a - new

In this house you will find bread for your life's journey. **Response**

Come. Stay awhile and eat this bread so you will never hunger. **Response**

Come. Be strengthened in God to withstand the present night
and the spiritual forces of evil. **Response**

Sisters and brothers, let us worship God!

* HYMN #275

A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD

"EIN' FESTE BURG"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Spirit of God, we confess that we put on airs more often than we put on the armor of God. We are guilty of girding ourselves with lies instead of the truth. We try to protect ourselves with arrogance, superstition, and self-reliance instead of righteousness, faith, and your gift of salvation. Our footsteps do not follow your path of peace. And we are quick to use your Word to attack one another, instead of striking out against the sins we personally commit. Forgive us, Holy God. Gift us with the wisdom and strength to change our ways, so that we may live as your faithful ambassadors of the Good News ...

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

KYRIE ELEISON #28

YOU ARE BEFORE ME, LORD

"SURSUM CORDA"

Search me, O God; search me and know my heart;
try me, O God; my mind and spirit try;
keep me from any path that gives you pain,

and lead me in the everlasting way.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

* RESPONSE

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH

"HALLE, HALLE"

Hal-le-Hal-le-Hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le-Hal-le-Hal - le - lu - ja.

Hal-le-Hal-le-Hal - le - lu - ja. Hal-le-lu-ja. Hal-le-lu-ja.

* 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.)

ANTHEM

RAIN DOWN

ARR. JOHN CARTER

BETTY RICHTMEYER, SOLOIST

Rain down; rain down; rain down your love on your people.

Rain down; rain down; rain down your love, God of life.

Faithful and true is the word of our God; All of God's works are so worthy of trust.

God's mercy falls on the just and the right; Full of God's love is the earth.

We who revere and find hope in our God; Live in the kindness and joy of God's wing.

God will protect us from darkness and death; God will not leave us to starve.

God of creation, we long for your truth; You are the water of life that we thirst.

Grant that your love and peace touch our hearts; All of our hope lies in you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

EPHESIANS 6:10-20

PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 184

SERMON

REV. CAROLINE KELLY

RESPONDING TO AND SEALING THE WORD

* HYMN #725

O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED

"NYLAND"

INVITATION TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

MORNING PRAYER
NANCY HODGES, PIANO

MATT SCHINSKE

Passing the peace is a tradition rooted in Scripture that embodies our identity as peacemakers and trains our hearts, hands, and tongues in the ways of peace. It is not an interruption of the service for social conversation but an integral part of the service where we greet one another as reconciled people.

This summer we are using the scriptures from the Narrative Lectionary instead of the Revised Common Lectionary, focusing on Biblical books and topics that fall outside the typical readings. We continue the four week series on Ephesians today.

* AT THE PRESENTATION O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

"AZMON"

To God all glory, praise, and love be now
and ever given by saints below and saints above,
the church in earth and heaven.

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE AND GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

We Lift Our Hearts, O Lord Our God

FOREST GREEN

Leader



1. From north and south, from east and west O faith - ful peo - ple, come
2. We lift our hearts, O Lord our God, with thanks and praise to you.
3. We thank you for your Word made flesh, our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ,
4. Pour out your Spir - it now, to bless these gifts of bread and wine,



to share the feast that Christ pre - pares, where heav'n and earth are one.
Cre - a - tor of the u - ni - verse, your love makes all things new.
whose dy - ing has de - stroyed our death, whose ris - ing gives us life.
and let them be a feast for us, your cov - 'nant seal and sign.

All



Come. all who hun - ger, all who thirst; with con - fi - dence draw near,
"Most ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!" the heav'n - ly choirs pro - claim.
With grate - ful hearts we of - fer you this sac - ri - fice of praise,
As Christ is pres - ent in this place so may we one day be



for Je - sus Christ, the bread of life is tru - ly pres - ent here.
How bless - ed is the one who comes in your most ho - ly name!"
re - mem - ber - ing your faith - ful - ness, re - joic - ing in your grace.
u - nit - ed at your ta - ble, Lord, for all e - ter - ni - ty.

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*(We will receive communion by intinction; as directed by the ushers
please come forward using the aisle closest to you, take a piece of bread from the basket,
dip it into the cup, eat it, and return to your seat using the other aisle.)*

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. Today we receive communion by intinction.

BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

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.

* HYMN #269	LEAD ON, O KING ETERNAL!	“LANCASHIRE”
* 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	IMPROVISATO, OP. 37, NO. 6	ARTHUR BIRD
	BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN	

* 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**.
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Preacher.....Rev. Caroline Kelly
 Liturgist.....Mikayla Dodge
 Director of Music Ministries.....Bryan Lohr
 Musicians.....Nancy Hodges, Piano and Betty Richmeyer, Vocalist
 Sound Technician.....Joe Aurigemma
 Thank you to this morning's ushers!

Please note that Rev. Kelly will be on vacation Monday, August 7-15. For pastoral emergencies during her absence, please contact the church office at [301-777-3700](tel:301-777-3700) or the Rev. Hans Killius at [\(240\) 803-9933](tel:240-803-9933). Bryan Lohr will be on vacation from August 7-18. We will welcome Rev. Walt Peters to preach and Beau Hartman to lead music next Sunday, August 13.

Teaching Elder/Pastor.....Rev. Caroline M. Kelly
 Director of Music MinistriesBryan Lohr
 Executive Administrative Assistant.....Brittany Jackson
 Sound Tech/Security.....Joe Aurigemma
 Sexton.....John Brown
 Sunday Worship Child Care Providers.....Ginny Reid and Jessie Gates

THE SESSION

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

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

Class of 2020: Barbara Aber, Chelsea Boor, Jeff Getty, Pam Jan, and Joe Weaver

Clerk of Session.....Jeff Getty

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 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 Bill and Ann Kellermeyer. **There are openings to sponsor the radio broadcast on September 3, October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29.**

SANCTUARY FLOWERS: 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.

LIVESTREAM has cut off free access to their platform so, for the immediate future, our worship services will not be available in live video format. As we research and consider other streaming options, please let Carolyn Matthews or David Stickler know if and how you have used this service and any thoughts about our ability to broadcast our worship services beyond our sanctuary walls.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of July 30, 2017
Total 2017 Pledges Promised	\$241,753.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 13,339.00
2017 Pledge Balance Promised	\$228,414.00
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$134,231.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$131,126.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 3,104.00

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE	July 31, 2016	July 30, 2017
	69	72

FAITH FORMATION

ACCIDENTAL SAINTS: FINDING GOD IN ALL THE WRONG PEOPLE: Cheri Duncan will be leading a book study this fall based on Nadia Bolz-Weber's 2015 book, *Accidental Saints*. Bolz-Weber is a highly-acclaimed preacher and speaker and New York Times best-selling writer, but she is also unconventional and sometimes irreverent. In the book, she writes about what happens when a group of unlikely religious people form an authentic Christian community focused more on practices than on doctrine. If you are interested in finding out more or in joining the group, please join Cheri today after worship in the parlor for a brief meeting.

MISSION MILESTONE FOLLOW-UP: Join us for an ice-cream social in the Fellowship Hall after worship **today** and hear from our mission trip participants about their experiences in South Dakota and the Eastern Shore of Virginia.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE & OUTREACH

FIRST SUNDAY FOOD & FELLOWSHIP: We're looking for volunteers to assist with coordinating and/or donating food for our First Sunday Food & Fellowship after worship on the first Sunday of each month. Two people are required to help set-up, assist during the fellowship and clean-up. Please contact Buck Belt (cbeltjr@thebeltgroup.com) or Barb Aber (Barbaber125@gmail.com) if you would be willing to assist as a coordinator or be a food donor for any of the upcoming Sundays: **September 3rd, October 1st, November 5th, and December 3rd**. Detailed instructions will be provided.

MISSION

FINAL WEEK OF SUMMER LUNCHBOX 2017: HELP NEEDED!! Calling all sandwich makers and lunch packers! We will be making and delivering lunches for one more Friday this summer. Please plan to join us in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30 – noon this Friday! We welcome all helpers. Please sign up on the sheets in the side hallway at church or call Cathy Levitas for more information.

MISSION OUTREACH DINNER: The monthly outreach dinner that we help with will be held **Sunday, August 27**, 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 **provide cupcakes**; please let Judy Stern, Phil Mills, or Linda Smith know.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

SAVE THE DATE: BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING AND SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION: We will offer prayers and blessings for students and teachers of all ages during worship on **Sunday, August 20**, in preparation for the start of a new school year. In connection with the blessing, we are collecting school supplies for Allegany County students in coordination with United Way's "Stuff the Bus." Supplies need to be delivered to the church no later than **Sunday, August 13** in order to meet the pick up deadline. **Please place your school supply donations on the table in the hallway near the Parlor.**

Supplies needed are: backpacks, pencils, pens, colored pencils, crayons, book covers, small tissue packs, notebook paper, 3-ring binders, erasers, flash cards, 3-prong folders w/ pockets, 3-subject spiral notebooks, 1-subject spiral notebooks, glue sticks, composition books, washable markers, pencil cases, rulers, scissors, index cards, rulers, folders

SAVE THE DATE: Our **Fall Kickoff** has been scheduled for Sunday, **September 10th**, at Rocky Gap State Park. Rather than gathering in the sanctuary, the kickoff will be held in the Lakeview Shelter starting with worship at 11AM and followed by a potluck picnic. Please mark your calendars!

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SERVICE: Our next Contemplative Prayer Service in the style of the Taizé community will be offered in the chapel at 5:00PM on **Sunday, August 20th**. You can come as you are, invite a friend, or the person walking down the street. You may remain silent or participate in the singing and reading. You can also bring an instrument to join in! **We will gather for this service on the third Sunday each month.**

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

SUNDAY, AUGUST (6)

10:00 AM SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION
11:00 AM FIRST SUNDAY FOOD & FELLOWSHIP/ MISSION MILESTONE FOLLOW-UP

MONDAY, AUGUST (7)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
1:00 PM AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
5:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING IN THE CHAPEL
6:00 PM BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MEETING IN THE PARLOR

TUESDAY, AUGUST (8)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST (9)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

THURSDAY, AUGUST (10)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY, AUGUST (11)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
9:00 AM FINAL DAY OF SUMMER LUNCH BOX PROGRAM

SATURDAY, AUGUST (12)

6:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE LIBRARY

SUNDAY, AUGUST (13)

10:00 AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
REV. WALT PETERS, GUEST PREACHER
BEAU HARTMAN, GUEST PIANIST