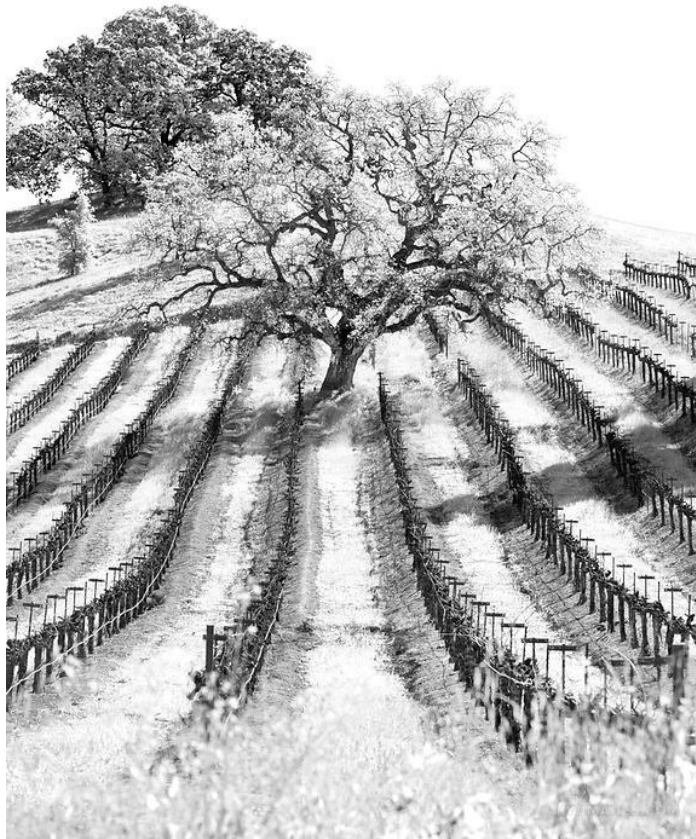


SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
OCTOBER 8, 2017 18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

11:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY

ALLEGRO MODERATO FROM TRIO SONATA NO. 1
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

SONG OF PRAISE
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

LEO HORACEK

Praise the Lord, praise him with sounds of rejoicing. Alleluia!
We sing and praise the Lord with Alleluia!
Rejoice, rejoice! Alleluia! Amen.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens declare the glory of God!
The skies proclaim God's handiwork.
The day pronounces God's glory without a sound,
the night expounds God's knowledge without a word,
and yet their voice goes out through all the earth.
Let us join our voices with the voice of creation in declaring God's glory!

Bach's Six Trio Sonatas for the organ are regarded by music scholars as the pinnacle of contrapuntal writing for three musical voices. They were composed as teaching pieces for Bach's eldest son.

* HYMN #628

PRAISE, I WILL PRAISE YOU, LORD

“JE LOUERAÏ L'ÉTERNEL”

(Verse one of the hymn will be sung by the choir, followed by all verses sung by all.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you have planted us
like a vineyard on a fertile hill.

You cleared away the stones,
planted us with choice vines,
and kept watch over us by night and day.
But we have not yielded the good fruit
that you expected or desired.
We are overgrown with sin,
choked with violence and injustice.

Forgive us, we pray.
Up root our evil, prune away our sin,
and shower upon us the gift of your grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord...

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

KYRIE ELEISON #578

ORÉ PORIAJÚ VEREKÓ

“ORÉ PORIAJÚ VEREKÓ”

O Lord, have mercy; O Lord, have mercy;
O Lord, have mercy, have mercy on us.
O Christ, have mercy; O Christ, have mercy;
O Christ, have mercy, have mercy on us.

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 not and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is not 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.)

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

During the **Time**
for Young
Disciples, our
youngest ones
are invited to
come forward for
a brief
conversation with
the pastor. They
are welcome to
remain in the
sanctuary or go
to the nursery for
an age-
appropriate
lesson during the
middle part of
the service.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 5:1-7

PEW BIBLE, OT, P. 596

ANTHEM

THE VINEYARD OF THE LORD

STEPHEN DECESARE

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR AND ERIC RINGLER, TENOR SOLOIST

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Once again, O Lord of hosts, look down from heaven and see;
And protect what your right hand has planted: The son of man whom you yourself made strong.
Then we will no more withdraw from you; give us new life, and we'll call on your name.
O Lord, God of hosts, restore us; show us your face, and we shall be saved.

GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 21:33-46

PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 24

SERMON

REV. CAROLINE KELLY

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN ##346

FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS

"ST. THOMAS (WADE)"

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

ADAGIO FROM TRIO SONATA NO. 1
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

J. S. BACH

* AT THE PRESENTATION #605

DA N'ASE

"DA N'ASE"

Praise to God the Father; praise to God the Son;
praise to God the Spirit; praise to the Three-in-One.
Sing praise, sing praise to the Lord on high.
Praise to God Almighty; praise to the Holy One.

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN #372

O FOR A WORLD

"AZMON"

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

This morning's anthem, based on text from the Old Testament Reading, was composed in 2013 by self-taught composer Stephen DeCesare. Recently, DeCesare's *Requiem Mass* and musical drama, *Our Lady of Fatima*, have received international acclaim.

In addition to their scholarly appeal, **Bach's trio sonatas** are also deeply expressive, as evidenced by the musical offering.

* 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

ALLEGRO FROM TRIO SONATA NO. 1

J. S. BACH

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**.

TODAY’S WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher.....Rev. Caroline Kelly
LiturgistHans Killius
Director of Music Ministries.....Bryan Lohr
Musicians.....The Sanctuary Choir
Sound Technician.....Joe Aurigemma
Ushers.....Charlene Lelinski and Rolfe Singerman

OUR STAFF

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, 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

<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.

To view worship services live or to view taped worship services, go to www.youtube.com (First Presbyterian Church of Cumberland Live Stream) or go to our website <http://www.fpc-cumberland.org/> and click on “click here to view our worship service” located at the bottom of the home page.

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. After the Time for Young Disciples, children may go to the nursery for a Bible lesson or remain in the sanctuary. 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. **If you are visitor, please fill out the "Welcome to First Presbyterian Church" card in the pew rack and put it in the offering plate when it comes by during the service.**

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 Amy Workman. **There are openings to sponsor the radio broadcast on October 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.

COME SEE THE PRAY-GROUND AFTER WORSHIP: You're invited to see the proposed space at the front of the sanctuary where our youngest members and parents can worship while young fingers are kept busy. The Faith Formation and Worship and Music Committees are inviting your input for this idea to integrate young children more fully into worship. Look over the space and then meet one of our Faith Formation or Worship & Music members in the library to talk.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

ELDERS: AGNES YOUNT & PAM JAN

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of October 1, 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	\$168,073.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$169,195.00
Over/(Under)	\$ (1,122.00)

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

October 2, 2016
78

October 1, 2017
69

NOMINATIONS for a ruling elder for the Session Class of 2019 to fill the vacancy on session created by Bill McElvie's resignation and to assume a seat of Co-Moderator of the Building and Grounds Committee are being received at this time. If you are interested in serving in the stated capacity, or would like to suggest someone, please contact David Stickler or Joe Weaver or Brittany Jackson (304-77-3700) on or before Friday October 13th to make your nomination.

NOMINATIONS for ruling elders for the Session Class of 2021 are being received at this time. If you are interested in serving on Session, or would like to suggest someone, please fill out a nomination form and drop it in the box on the table outside the parlor on or before November 1, 2017.

From the Presbyterian Form of Government:

As there were in Old Testament times elders for the government of the people, so the New Testament church provided persons with particular gifts to share in discernment of God's Spirit and governance of God's people. Accordingly, congregations should elect persons of wisdom and maturity of faith, having demonstrated skills in leadership and being compassionate in spirit. Ruling elders are so named not because they "lord it over" the congregation (Matt. 20:25), but because they are chosen by the congregation to discern and measure its fidelity to the Word of God, and to strengthen and nurture its faith and life. Ruling elders, together with teaching elders (also known as Ministers of the Word and Sacrament), exercise leadership, government, spiritual discernment, and discipline and have responsibilities for the life of a congregation as well as the whole church, including ecumenical relationships.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

ELDER: SHIRLEY GIARRITTA

SAVE THE DATE: CHURCH FALL CLEAN UP DAY! On Saturday, **October 21st**, the Buildings & Grounds Committee invites you to come out and help clean-up the church from **9:00AM-12:00PM**. Time to start putting the outside to bed for the Fall and polishing up the inside for Advent.

We need your help and talents, so please sign up for the following:

_____ Painting: Side door (awning area), Hanging System, Second floor bathroom hallway and door,
Stain and install baseboard in fellowship hall

_____ Heavy Lifting: Remove awning, Remove and store air conditioners, Move safe, Label paint and store in safe,
Move books and store in new library space upstairs

_____ Organizing the Kitchen and Pantry: Organize and Clean

_____ Yard Work: Mulch gardens, Trim bushes, Reseed lawn, Move lariope from front to side/back

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

WORSHIP & MUSIC

ELDERS: CAROLYN MATHEWS & DAVID STICKLER

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SERVICE: Led by Beau Hartman, our next Contemplative Prayer Service in the style of the Taizé community will be offered in the chapel at 5:00PM **on Sunday, October 15th**. 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.**

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. For most Sundays of the year we receive communion by intinction. However, when the service is of a more somber nature, we receive communion in our seats. The following is our communion schedule for the next few months.

November 5th - seated communion for All Saints Day as we remember all the "saints" of our lives

December 3rd - seated communion for Advent as we prepare for Christ's birth

December 24th - communion by intinction to celebrate Christ's birth

January 7th - communion by intinction to celebrate Epiphany

MISSION

ELDERS: JUDY STERN & PHIL MILLS

MISSION OUTREACH DINNER: The monthly outreach dinner that we help with will be held **on Sunday, October 29th**, 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.

FPC WILL WELCOME INTERNATIONAL PEACEMAKER, ALLA SOROKA: Robert and Yulia Gamble will be at the **Sunday Service on October 29th with Alla Soroka**, project manager for **This Child Here**, who was selected as an International Peacemaker with the Presbyterian Church (USA). There will be a light luncheon after the service where Alla will speak about her peace making experiences. All are welcome to attend.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE: Years of recovery lie ahead for millions in the U.S. and Mexico after the devastation of multiple earthquakes and hurricanes this fall and your commitment will help PDA extend the hands of Christ. You can help the PDA bring hope and healing to those affected by praying, taking action and offering financial support. For those wishing to offer financial support, please place PDA Mexico, PDA Hurricane Irma/Maria or PDA Hurricane Harvey in the memo section of your check.

HELP IN THE FIGHT AGAINST OPIOID ABUSE - Halloween on the Hill 2017: On **Saturday, October 28, from 2:00-4:00PM** we will join our neighbors at Emmanuel Episcopal, to host a community-wide Halloween carnival on Washington Street. This year, we will also be partnering with Hope for Heroin and Prescribe Change to raise awareness about the epidemic and to provide resources and support. We need your help to make this event as success. Contact Brittany Jackson in the church office to sign-up or add your name to the sign-up sheet in the hallway next to the parlor **Candy donations are needed and can be placed in the plastic bin under the table in the hallway by the parlor!** If you would like to donate, please bring your candy to the church office.

FAITH FORMATION

MISSION MILESTONE FOLLOW-UP: Join us for soup and sandwiches in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, October 19 at 5:30PM and hear from our mission trip participants about their experiences in Kanawha Co., West Virginia.

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

MONDAY, OCTOBER (9)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
9:00 AM ACS TRAINING UNTIL 5PM IN THE PARLOR
4:45 PM ADMIN & FINANCE MEETING IN THE PARLOR
5:30 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING IN THE PARLOR

TUESDAY, OCTOBER (10)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
5:00 PM FAITH FORMATION MEETING IN THE PARLOR
5:30 PM WORSHIP AND MUSIC MEETING IN THE CHAPEL
6:30 PM COVENANT BIBLE STUDY I IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER (11)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
10:30 AM STAFF MEETING IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE
4:00 PM HALLOWEEN ON THE HILL MEETING AT EMMANUEL
6:00 PM COVENANT BIBLE STUDY II IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE
6:00 PM JOYBELLS REHEARSAL
7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM
7:30 PM SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER (12)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
5:00 PM SOUTHMINSTER COMMITTEE MEETING
6:00 PM BURTON STEWARDSHIP DINNER

FRIDAY, OCTOBER (13)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

SATURDAY, OCTOBER (14)

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER (15)

9:45 AM ADULT BIBLE STUDY & 2-5 YEAR OLD CLASS: AN ILLUSTRATED COMPASSION
11:00 AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
12:15 PM ACCIDENTAL SAINTS BOOK STUDY IN THE HERITAGE ROOM
5:00 PM CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER SERVICE IN THE CHAPEL LED BY BEAU HARTMAN
5:30 PM BELT STEWARDSHIP DINNER

GIVING WITH GRATITUDE

IT'S A TIME TO...

FALL FELLOWSHIP DINNERS

Dear Friends:

This year's Stewardship dinners are taking shape as we plan for the opportunity to break bread with other members, learn more about our Church's financial health and the role your giving will play in constructing the 2018 budget. The host will provide the main course, and you are asked to bring side dishes, bread, beverages or desserts.

Those who have agreed to host dinners and their dinner dates are as follows:

Thursday, October 12th: Rex and Sandra Burton's home in LaVale at 6:00 PM

Sunday, October 15th: Buck and Jane Belt's home in LaVale at 5:30PM

Sunday, October 29th: Bob and Sharon Kazary's home in Grantsville at 3:00PM

Please complete your dinner reservation below and include it in the offering plate or give it to Brittany Jackson in the church office. The Stewardship Committee and church office are coordinating the dinners with guests and hosts.

First Presbyterian Church Fall Fellowship Dinners

Name: _____

I/We would like to attend a dinner on:

Thursday, October 12th at 6:00PM: _____

Sunday, October 15th at 5:30PM: _____

Sunday, October 29th at 3:00PM: _____

I will bring: _____