

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 14, 2018



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

11:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY

WHAT A FELLOWSHIP, WHAT A JOY DIVINE
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

SAM BATT OWENS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CHORAL INTROIT

WAREHAM
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

WILLIAM BILLINGS

My God, my life, my love, to thee, to thee I call;
I cannot live if thou remove, for thou art all in all,
for thou art all in all.
I cannot live if thou remove, for thou art all in all.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
The Lord is about to do a new thing.
Speak, O God, for your servants are listening.
Let us worship God.

The opening **voluntary** is from the *Missa Brevis on Gospel Hymns* by African American composer Sam Batt Owens (1928-1998.)

Note that the words used to **"call us to worship"** are scriptural, and remind us that our worship centers in God and not in ourselves.

* HYMN #399

GOD WELCOMES ALL

"THEMBA AMEN"

(You are invited to use your percussion instruments to make a joyful noise.)

God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends.

God welcomes all, rich and the poor;
God's love is strong and it never ends.

God welcomes all, bound and the free;
God's love is strong and it never ends.

O come and see, O come and see;
God's love is strong and it never ends.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Creator, we confess
that we are broken, sinful creatures.
You speak to us with tender mercy,
yet we fail to recognize your voice.
You know everything about us,
yet we pretend we do not know you.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Help us to heed your voice of truth,
to follow your way of faithfulness,
and to glorify you with our lives;
through Jesus Christ our Lord...

(Time for silent reflection and prayer)

KYRIE #576

LORD, HAVE MERCY

"SINGAPURA"

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

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

* RESPONSE #475

COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING (verse 3)

"NETTLETON"

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

* 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

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.

The period between Epiphany (January 6) and Lent (February 14) is called Ordinary Time, meaning that which is standard, usual, or typical. Sunday "ordinarily" celebrates the resurrection and unfolding of the new creation.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

I SAMUEL 3:1-10

PEW BIBLE, OT, P. 236

ANTHEM

O JESUS, I HAVE PROMISED
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

MYRON D. CASNER

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
Be thou forever near me, my master and my friend.
I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway, if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion, the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control;
O, speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory, there shall thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

GOSPEL READING

JOHN 1:43-51

PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 87

SERMON

REV. CAROLINE KELLY

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN #450

BE THOU MY VISION

"SLANE"

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In forming his people and sending them into the world
Jesus called individuals to be disciples.
They were to share the joy of his companionship,
to understand and obey his teachings,
and to follow him in life and death.

We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship.
Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ
is God's undeserved gift to each of us.
It is also God's demand upon every one of us,
never perfectly fulfilled by any of us.
Forgiven by God and supported by brothers and sisters,
we strive to become more faithful and effective
in our daily practice of the Christian life.

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.)

Both **scripture readings** focus on the call to serve. In baptism, we are claimed as disciples of Jesus and called to serve him in the service of others.

Our **Affirmation of Faith** comes from **A Declaration of Faith**, adopted by the PC (U.S.A.) in 1985 "as a contemporary statement of faith, a reliable aid for Christian study, liturgy, and inspiration."

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

SHINE ON ME
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

ARR. ROLLO DILLWORTH

Shine on me, shine on me! I wonder if the lighthouse will shine on me.
Will is shine on me? Oh, shine on me, shine on me!

Is a light shining above? Is it shining above in the heavens for me?
I’m wonderin’ if there’s a light that is shining above in the heavens for me.

- * AT THE PRESENTATION #314 (refrain) CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT “CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT”
- Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

- * HYMN #69 I, THE LORD OF SEA AND SKY “HERE I AM”

* 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 JUBILEE FESTIVAL MARCH SHARON J. WILLIS
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.

The offering is a popular setting of a traditional African American spiritual, by Rollo Dillworth (b. 1970), Professor of Choral Music Education at Temple University in Philadelphia.

The closing voluntary is the final movement of *The Journey Suite*, a tone poem for organ depicting the journey from Africa to America by way of the Middle Passage.

This Morning’s Worship Leaders

Preacher.....Rev. Caroline Kelly
Liturgist.....David Stickler
Director of Music Ministries.....Bryan Lohr
Musicians.....The Sanctuary Choir
Sound Technician.....Joe Aurigemma
Ushers.....Kathy Dowell and John Mullan

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

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

OUR STAFF

Minister of Word and Sacrament/Pastor.....	Rev. Caroline M. Kelly
Director of Music Ministries	Bryan 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, Gary Hendrickson, 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

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.

THE PRAY-GROUND is a special space in the sanctuary for our youngest children and their families. All families are welcome to come and sit in the right front pews with their children seated on the rug. This front row seat will allow God's youngest children to participate in the service in a place where they can see and hear best. There will be activities provided so that their little hands are kept busy while participating in worship. "Jesus said to them, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it'" (Mark 10:14-15).

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 ON YOUTUBE: 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.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS: The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of Art and Jean Ennis, Al and Anna May Kazary, and Lee Ennis Rosenblath, by Bob and Sharon Kazary. **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 will be directed to the Special Ministries Fund.**

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

ELDERS: AGNES YOUNT & PAM JAN

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of January 7, 2018
Total 2018 Pledges Promised	\$211,450.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 11,275.00
<u>2018 Pledge Balance Promised</u>	<u>\$222,725.00</u>
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$9,256.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$3,989.00
Over/(Under)	\$5,266.00

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

January 8, 2017
84

January 7, 2018
60

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2018 are now available on the table in the back of the sanctuary. If you do not see a box with your name on it, please contact the church office.

FAITH FORMATION

ELDERS: CHELSEA BOOR & JOE WEAVER

WAKING UP WHITE AND FINDING MYSELF IN THE STORY OF RACE: Ann Kellermeyer, Pam Jan and Cheri Duncan are leading a five-week book study starting today, based on Debby Irving's 2014 book, *Waking Up White*, using a study guide written for the church by PC(U.S.A.) Co-Moderators The Rev'ds Denise Anderson and Jan Edmiston. Referred to as "A jolting and continuing journey from white oblivion to white awareness described in an honest way....," the book has been studied by many churches across the country (and referred to in a recent sermon by Rev. Kelly). We will meet in the Heritage Room after worship on Sundays from 12:15 to 2:15. If you are interested, please join them in the Heritage Room after worship to find out more.

Your Answer to.... “What’s For Dinner?”

First Presbyterian Church is selling homemade soups and rolls to help fund the 9th Annual Mission Trip to South Dakota.
Will you please consider buying some?



Name: _____ Phone: _____

	# of Quarts	X \$9	# of Pints	X \$5	Cap Rolls	x \$1 for 2	Mike's Rolls	x \$2 for 2	Total \$ Owed
Beef Stew									
White Chicken Chili									
Traditional Red Chili									
Chicken and Wild Rice Soup									
Vegetable Soup									
Vegetarian Vegetable Soup									
Potato Bacon Soup									
Caporales Rolls 2 for \$1									
Mike's Limited Edition Rolls									
TOTAL									

Please pay for and pick up your soups, chili, and stews
next Sunday, January 21st after worship from 12:15-1:00 PM.

Please place your order by tomorrow.

Make checks payable to: First Presbyterian Church and write “Dakota” on the memo line.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

MONDAY, JANUARY (15) CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

1:30PM AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

TUESDAY, JANUARY (16)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY (17)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

10:30 AM STAFF MEETING IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE

6:00 PM JOYBELLS REHEARSAL IN THE LIBRARY

7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

7:30 PM SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, JANUARY (18)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

7:00 PM SESSION MEETING IN THE LIBRARY

FRIDAY, JANUARY (19)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

2:00 PM ANNUAL REPORT ASSEMBLY

SATURDAY, JANUARY (20)

12:00 PM SOUTH DAKOTA SOUP SALE PREP

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY (21)

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 SOUTH DAKOTA SOUP SALE

12:15 PM BOOK STUDY: WAKING UP WHITE IN THE HERITAGE ROOM