

SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
FEBRUARY 4, 2018



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

11:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY

A PRAYER ASCENDING
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

EUGENE BUTLER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CHORAL INTROIT

ON EAGLES' WINGS
BRENDA LUGER, FLUTE AND BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

ARR. JOEL RANEY

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to Jesus, all you who are weary and heavy laden,
Come and find rest and renewal here.
Come to Jesus, all you who have been worn out and tired,
Come and find strength and refreshment in the Spirit.
Come to Jesus, all you who feel the weight of the world on your shoulders,
Come and be filled with Christ, who renews our spirits.
Come and worship, and be raised up in Christ.

* HYMN #436

GOD OF COMPASSION, IN MERCY BEFRIEND US

"O QUANTA QUALIA"

CALL TO CONFESSION

On Eagle's Wings was written in the late 1970's, and is often associated with funerals and memorial services. The text is a paraphrase of Psalm 91, but also incorporates allusions to today's Old Testament reading from Isaiah. The text may be found in *Glory To God* # 43.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God our Creator, we confess
that we are broken, sinful creatures.
We trust in our own power
when you promise to be our strength.
We exploit the poor and weak
when you promise them salvation.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Teach us to rely on you alone
and to give ourselves freely for others
for the sake of your good news;
through Jesus Christ our Lord...

(Time for silent reflection and prayer)

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.

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.)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

ISAIAH 40:21-31

PEW BIBLE, OT, P. 630

ANTHEM

THEY SHALL SOAR LIKE EAGLES

LAURA MANZO

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR AND BRENDA LUGER, FLUTE
They shall soar like eagles; rise up and soar like eagles,
they who wait upon the Lord shall not be weary.
They shall never stumble, but gain new strength and power,
they who wait upon the Lord.

Those who are weary and burdened with sorrow need not despair,
there is hope for tomorrow: God will be there each time you call on him.

GOSPEL READING

MARK 1:29-39

PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 33

SERMON

REV. CAROLINE KELLY

RESPONDING TO AND SEALING THE WORD

* HYMN #169

DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND

“REST”

INVITATION TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

YOU, THE CHRIST
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

IAN CALLANAN

Stranger, standing at my door, you disturb me in the night: you have needs I can't ignore,
you have eyes that speak your plight. Do I know you, nameless face, battered woman, detainee, hungry
youth or sickness case, jobless parent, refugee -
Do I know you, nameless face?

You are strange in speech and dress, you have children at your side, you are not like one of us - you have
begged away your pride. If you passed across my screen I might switch you out of sight, worlds away you
might have been, yet you stand here in the night.
Do I know you, nameless face?

I am fearful of your claim, yet I cannot turn away. Stranger with the foreign name, are you angel come to
stay? You are messenger and guest you the Christ I can't ignore, you my own compassion's test, stranger,
standing at my door. You, the Christ I can't ignore.
You, the Christ I can't ignore.

* 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

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Gratitude, praise, hearts lifted high ... (*the prayer continues*)
... we join our voices to those of the Church on earth and in heaven:

SANCTUS #595

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
(Santo, Santo, Santo)

“ARGENTINE SANTO”

Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!
My heart knows how to say to you: you are holy, Lord!
Lord God, as we come to share the richness of your table,
we cannot forget the rawness of the earth.
We cannot take bread and forget those who are hungry.
Your world is one world and we are stewards of its nourishment.
Lord, put our prosperity at the service of the poor.

The **Invitation to the Lord's Table** is not a minisermmon nor an explanation of the sacrament, but an invitation to share in the feast to which Christ invites all who trust in him.

This Morning's Worship Leaders

Preacher.....	Rev. Caroline Kelly
Liturgist.....	Hans Killus
Director of Music Ministries.....	Bryan Lohr
Musicians.....	The Sanctuary Choir
Sound Technician.....	Joe Aurigemma

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: 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
RULING ELDERS: AGNES YOUNT & PAM JAN

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of January 28, 2018
Total 2018 Pledges Promised	\$213,610.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 11,275.00
<u>2018 Pledge Balance Promised</u>	<u>\$224,885.00</u>
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$15,284.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$15,958.00
Over/(Under)	\$ (674.00)

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

January 29, 2017
78

January 28, 2018
69

Lent & Holy Week at FPC



February 14, 2018
7:00PM in the front of the Sanctuary

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent, a 40-day spiritual journey with Jesus toward the cross and the death that ultimately brings resurrection life. It is a time to reflect on who we are and whose we are.

As part of the service, we will offer the imposition of ashes as a physical reminder of our mortality and sin and an assurance of God's forgiveness and salvation. Ashes have been used in Christian churches to mark the beginning of Lent since at least the 10th century. In Scripture, ashes are described as a symbol of purification and repentance. Communion will also be served. Our service will be reflective and informal. The Sanctuary Choir will sing. Join us as we begin the holiest season of the year.

Way of Life: A Lenten Study
based on *The Great Spiritual Migration* by Brian D. McLaren

To be human is to move. To be human is to change. Today, Christianity is in need of change. More specifically, argues McLaren, Christianity is in need of a migration.

Join friends from Emmanuel Episcopal and St. Paul's Lutheran on Thursdays at 6:00PM in the Fellowship Hall for a simple supper, followed by study and conversation. **To order the participant study guide, please contact Brittany Jackson by February 5. They are recommended by not required for participation in the study. Cost is \$10.**

February 22 – A Better Way to Be Christian

March 1 – From a System of Beliefs to a Way of Life

March 8 – Toward a Loving God of Liberation

March 15 – For the Common Good

HOLY WEEK



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

*Palm/Passion Sunday, March 25 at 11:00AM at First Presbyterian

*Maundy Thursday, March 29 at 7:00PM at Emmanuel Episcopal

*Good Friday, March 30 at 12:00 PM at First Presbyterian (in the Chapel) and 7:00PM at St. Paul's Lutheran

*Egg Hunt/Blessing Milestone, March 31 at 10:00AM at First Presbyterian Church (playground)

*Easter Sunday, April 1 = Sunrise service at Rocky Gap at 7:00AM and a traditional service in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian at 11:00AM

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY (5)

9:00AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
1:30PM AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY (6)

9:00AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
5:30PM WORSHIP & MUSIC MEETING IN THE PARLOR
6:30PM MISSION MEETING IN THE PARLOR
7:00PM BUILDINGS & GROUNDS MEETING IN THE CHAPEL

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY (7)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
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, FEBRUARY (8)

9:00AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
10:00AM PRESBYTERY GATHERING AT HUNTINGRIDGE, PC

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY (9)

9:00AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY (10)

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY (11)

9:45AM ADULT BIBLE STUDY & 2-5 YEAR OLD CLASS: AN ILLUSTRATED COMPASSION
11:00AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
12:15PM WAKING UP WHITE BOOK STUDY IN THE CHAPEL

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 MinistriesBryan Lohr
Executive Administrative Assistant.....Brittany Jackson
Sound Tech/Security.....Joe Aurigemma
Sexton.....John Brown
Sunday Worship Child Care Providers.....Ginny Reid and Addy Mallery

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