

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

AUGUST 19, 2018

13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

10:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY *VIVACE FROM TRIO SONATA NO. 2 IN C MINOR* J. S. BACH
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

INTROIT

FAIREST LORD JESUS ARR. TEDD SMITH AND DON HUSTAD
NANCY HODGES, PIANO AND BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to Christ, the living bread,
Who satisfies those who hunger and thirst for what is right.
Come to Christ, who gives living water,
That we may never thirst again.
Come to Christ, that being filled ourselves,
We may minister to the hunger and thirst of others.
Sisters and brothers, praise the Lord!
The Lord's name be praised.

The **Call to Worship** reminds us that worship begins with God, who takes the initiative in calling us together. We respond by praising God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess
 that we have not followed your way.
 You bestow the gift of wisdom,
 yet we continue in our foolishness.
 You provide the bread of life,
 yet we persist in the ways of death.
 Forgive us, God of grace.
 Help us to make better use
 of the lives you have given us,
 giving glory to you in all things;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord...

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

KYRIE ELEISON #577

LORD, HAVE MERCY

“KYRIE ELEISON”

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
 Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

* RESPONSE #581

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

“GLORIA PATRI”

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
 and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
 is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, 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.)

A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

PROVERBS 9:1-6

PEW BIBLE, OT, P. 558

The **Prayer for Illumination** is a hallmark of our Reformed tradition, in which we ask the Holy Spirit to change the ordinary words of scripture and preaching into the Living Word, which has the power to open hearts and minds and to transform our lives.

ANTHEM

TASTE AND SEE
ERIC RINGLER, LEADER

"TASTE AND SEE"

(Please sing the refrain where indicated.)

Refrain *All* F C B^b F B^b

Taste and see, taste and see the good - ness
of the Lord. O taste and see, taste and
see the good - ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times.
Praise shall always be on my lips;
my soul shall glory in the Lord,
for God has been so good to me. *Refrain.*

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us all praise God's name.
I called the Lord, who answered me;
from all my troubles, I was set free. *Refrain.*

Worship the Lord, all you people.
You'll want for nothing if you ask.
Taste and see the Lord is good;
in God we need put all our trust. *Refrain.*

SECOND READING

JOHN 6:51-58

PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 93

SERMON

REV. CAROLINE KELLY

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN #498

LOAVES WERE BROKEN, WORDS WERE SPOKEN

"BEACH SPRING"

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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.

The lectionary provides three readings and a psalm for each Sunday. Generally, we read one from each Testament in an effort to cover the full range of scripture in the Bible.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

THERE'S BREAD FOR THE JOURNEY
ERIC RINGLER, SOLOIST
There's bread for the journey and friends for the way.
There's hope for tomorrow and love for today.
The cup of forgiveness, all blessings release,
to heal and renew us and bring us God's peace.

JIM STRATHDEE

O Holy Spirit, bind us together now.
O Holy Spirit, bring us your peace.

* AT THE PRESENTATION #605

PRAISE TO GOD THE FATHER

"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 #526

LET US TALENTS AND TONGUES EMPLOY

"Linstead"

* 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

VOLUNTARY ON 'WE COME AS GUESTS INVITED'
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

DENNIS ELIOT

* 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.....Rev. Caroline Kelly
Liturgist.....Mikayla Dodge
Director of Music Ministries.....Bryan Lohr
Musician.....Nancy Hodges, Piano
Vocalist.....Eric Ringler
Sound TechnicianJoe Aurigemma
Ushers.....Carol Morgan and Kathy Dowell

Many of us give our monetary offering weekly. Many of us give our offering monthly or even yearly. This morning, even if you are not putting your monetary offering in the plate today, please touch the inside of the plate when it goes by. This will help us remember that the gift we are offering is actually ourselves.

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 special flowers in the front of the sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of William Lee Shaffer, Jr., on his birthday, by his family. **There are flower openings for September 23 and 30! Please contact Michael Levitas or the church office if you would like to sponsor flowers for a special occasion like a birthday or anniversary or in memory or honor of someone. You may specify live or silk flowers. Silk flower money will be directed to the Special Ministries Fund.**

LOST AND FOUND: Please check the lost and found box by the door to the parking lot. Any items left for more than 30 days will be donated to Goodwill.

SAVE THE DATE: We are hosting the 880th Gathering of the Presbytery of Baltimore on Thursday, September 13, 2018. During worship, Rev. Kelly will be installed as the new Presbytery Moderator, and the Rev. Jimmie Hawkins, Director of the Presbyterian Office of Public Witness in D.C., will preach. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us! If you can help direct parking or serve as a greeter, please let Brittany Jackson know at firstpresbyteriansecretary.org.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE & OUTREACH

RULING ELDERS: LAURA FISCUS & JOSH GILHART

THE HIGHLANDERS GROUP will meet for lunch at Puccini Restaurant on Ali Ghan Road in Cumberland **tomorrow, August 20th, at noon**. Highlanders is a fellowship group for senior adults. If you have any questions or if you need a ride, please contact Mary Gallion at 301-759-3607.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

RULING ELDERS: AGNES YOUNT & GARY HENDRICKSON

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of August 12, 2018
Total 2018 Pledges Promised	\$222,725.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 11,275.00
<u>2018 Pledge Balance Promised</u>	<u>\$211,450.00</u>
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$ 127,475.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$ 127,668.00
Over/(Under)	\$ (193.00)

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

August 13, 2017
53

August 12, 2018
73

FAITH FORMATION

RULING ELDERS: JOE WEAVER & CHELSEA BOOR

MIDRIFTERS AND YOUNG ADULT GROUP: Join the Midriffers and Young Adults this evening at Constitution Park beginning with a picnic at 6:00PM, followed by the tunes of the Shanty Irish band starting at 7:30PM! There is no charge for the concert. Please bring your own food and a blanket to sit on. We will picnic somewhere close to the stage where the band will play.

YOUTH BACK-TO-SCHOOL COOKOUT: All youth and their families are invited to the Fiscus Home for a cookout on today at 6:00PM. Meat/veggie burgers for grilling and drinks will be provided. Bring a side to share and RSVP to Brittany Jackson at 301-777-3700 or firstpresbyteriansecretary@gmail.com.

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING: We will offer prayers and blessings for students and teachers of all ages during worship next Sunday, August 26, in preparation for the start of a new school year.

FALL OFFERINGS: Following worship this morning, Ann Kellermeyer will introduce two new faith formation offerings for the fall: Christian Doctrine 101 and a book study focused on the history of racism in the United States. Please join Ann in the parlor if you are interested in one or both of these studies to learn more about the studies and determine the best time and place to meet.

Book Club: As a part of our ongoing journey to learn more about systemic racism, we will be reading Stamped from the Beginning, The Definitive History of Racist Ideas in America by Ibram X. Kendi (2015), winner of the 2016 National Book for Nonfiction. Rev. Paul Roberts, President of Johnson C. Smith Seminary, has recommended Kendi's book as a follow up to our earlier study of Waking Up White. Rev. Roberts conducts congregational workshops on race, designed to debunk the myth of race, provide space for open conversation about race, cultivate empathy, and mobilize congregants to fight systemic racism. He is currently the President of Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary, the only historically black Presbyterian seminary in the U.S. He preached here on the occasion of Rev. Kelly's installation as pastor in 2012.

Christianity 101: In response to a number of requests to learn more about what it means to be a Reformed Christian (a Presbyterian), we will use Dr. Shirley Guthrie's classic *Christian Doctrine* to explore questions like: Who is God? (the Doctrine of the Trinity); Who are We? (the Doctrine of Human Beings); Who is in Charge? (The Doctrine of the Resurrection) and others. A best-seller for more than 30 years, *Christian Doctrine* has introduced thousands of laity, students and theologians to the tenets of the Christian faith. Dr. Guthrie taught theology at Columbia Theological Seminary for nearly 40 years. He earned his Ph.D. at the University of Basel ((Switzerland), where he was a student of Karl Barth, often regarded as the greatest Protestant theologian of the 20th century.

MISSION MILESTONE FOLLOW-UP: Join us for lunch in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 16 after worship and hear from our South Dakota Learning Camp participants about their experiences in Marty, South Dakota.

MISSION
RULING ELDERS: PHIL MILLS & PAM JAN

MISSION OUTREACH DINNER: Our service at the Outreach Dinner meal resumes next Sunday August 26th, moving from the HRDC on Virginia Avenue to St. John's Lutheran Church on Arch Street, just a few blocks away. **We will be offering an orientation for new folks and a time to hear from regular participants about their experience next Sunday, August 26th at 11:15AM.** 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.

OUR HELP IS NEEDED

The Union Rescue Mission provides a safe shelter, three hot meals per day, clothing, hygiene items, diapers, formula and other necessities to those in need in our community.

They are currently in need of:

- Tampons
- Baby wipes
- Diapers, size 4 - 6
- Soap bars, bath size
- Shampoo, regular size
- Conditioner, regular size
- Deodorant, women's & men's



- Goal: 100 Packs
- When: July through September
- What: Donations of individual items
- Where: Please place items in the marked donation box located in the foyer.

HELP IS NEEDED TO DELIVER DONATIONS TO THE UNION RESCUE MISSION: We are in need of people to sign up to deliver the donations to the mission. We plan to deliver the items twice a month. Please see the sign-up sheet in the foyer beside the donation boxes.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

MONDAY, AUGUST (20)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
1:30 PM AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

TUESDAY, AUGUST (21)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST (22)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
10:30 AM STAFF MEETING IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE
7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

THURSDAY, AUGUST (23)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY, AUGUST (24) NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

SATURDAY, AUGUST (25)

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST (26)

10:00AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING
11:15 AM MISSION OUTREACH DINNER ORIENTATION
4:00 PM MISSION OUTREACH DINNER