

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

NOVEMBER 11, 2018

CONSECRATION SUNDAY



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

11:00 AM

TOLLING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY ADAGIO AND ALLEGRO FROM SONATA NO. 1
BRENDA LUGER, FLUTE AND BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

MICHEL CORRETTE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

CHORAL INTROIT

IN FLANDERS FIELDS
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

ROGER EMERSON

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place, and in the sky,
The larks, still bravely singing, fly,
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead; short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe!
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high!
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

This morning, we toll the bell 11 times in solidarity with others around the world to mark the end of World War I 100 years ago today, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, and in memory of the veterans of all wars on this Veterans Day.

Consecration Sunday is the day we offer our financial commitment to support the work of Christ through the ministries of First Presbyterian Church. We will "consecrate" or set apart our pledges for this holy purpose.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We come to this place of prayer,
for here we can bring our hopes and dreams,
our hidden fears and the doubts we dare wear on our sleeves.
We come to this place of grace,
for here we learn compassion and joy,
and discover how deeply we are loved.
We come with these people called the church,
to be blessed by the variety of gifts,
to live as one for our God.

* HYMN #397

O LOOK AND WONDER

“MIREN QUÉ BUENO”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, you know that our communion is not always visible to the world. Forgive us when we act as though we do not need each other; when we do not love one another; when we do not know and bear one another’s burdens; when we fail to build each other up; and when we do not give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another. Forgive us, and strengthen us so that we may live in the unity that you grant us, through Jesus Christ, our Lord...

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

KYRIE ELEISON #103

COME NOW, O PRINCE OF PEACE

“O-So-So”

Come, hope of unity; make us one body.
Come, O Lord Jesus; reconcile all people.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

* RESPONSE #591

HALLE, HALLE, HALLELUJAH!

“HALLE, HALLE”

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

* 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

CATHY LEVITAS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

PSALM 133

PEW BIBLE, OT, P. 543

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.

ANTHEM

A COMMUNITY OF FAITH GRACE HAWTHORNE AND JOHN PURIFOY
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

A community of faith, a community of love, a community that generates the love of God,
a community that nourishes the spirit endlessly, all of this is what the church is meant to be.
From a fellowship of minds comes a fellowship of souls and a fellowship that has the will to reach its
goals. Yes, a fellowship that takes the time to work its problems through, all of this is what the church is
meant to do. We're believers together, a priesthood set apart with Jesus as the head and our devotion as the
heart of the church. It's the strength of Christian love that creates a mighty bond, that it's clear to see
transcends the world and goes beyond. It's the kind of love that people know is very, very rare.
All of this is what the church is meant to share.

The anthem is a contemporary setting of the best known poem of WWI, written in 1915 by Canadian physician Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae.

GOSPEL READING

JOHN 17:20-26

PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 105

SERMON

REV. CAROLINE KELLY

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* HYMN #300

WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT

"THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS"

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.

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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

MUSICAL OFFERING

GIVE THANKS WITH A GRATEFUL HEART
BRENDA LUGER, FLUTE

* AT THE PRESENTATION #652

A GRATEFUL HEART

"ROCKINGHAM"

A grateful heart is what I bring, a song of praise, my offering.
Among the saints I lift my voice: in you, O God, I will rejoice.

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

LITANY OF THANKS

For the grace upon grace which is this community of faith – sanctuary and sermon,
music and mission, practices of hospitality, of learning, of discernment.

We give you thanks.

For grace we each bring to add to others' graces – our personal hopes and skills, the time we can share, the experiences from which we offer tenderness, our willingness to take responsibility or expose vulnerability.

We give you thanks.

For unexpected grace that sustains us in hard times –
diagnosis, discouragement, downturn or despair.

We give you thanks.

For grace in the spaces – all those possibilities of next year – the new people who will sit in these pews, the new ways we will reach out, the transitions completed and the transitions begun.

We give you thanks.

For the grace of prayer, the grace of scripture, the grace of forgiveness, the grace of the resurrection promise, the grace of a single cup of cold water for a child, a stranger or a friend.

We give you thanks.

All these we have and do and will receive through Jesus Christ, who opens our hearts and hands so that grace may flow through us to all the world.

For so many blessings we give you thanks and praise. Amen.

ACT OF CONSECRATION

(As you bring forward your pledge cards and notes of gratitude, you are invited to sing)

Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me;

“LIVING GOD”

Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* **HYMN #716**

GOD, WHOSE GIVING KNOWS NO ENDING

“BEACH SPRING”

* **CLOSING RESPONSES**

In gratitude, in deep gratitude for this moment, this place, these people,

We give ourselves to you.

Take us out to live as changed people,

Because we have been touched by the living Lord and cannot remain the same.

Ask much from us, expect much from us,

Enable much by us, encourage many through us.

**So, Lord, may we live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth
and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.**

* **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

NOW THANK WE, ALL OUR GOD

SIGFRID KARG-ELERT

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**.

During the Act of Consecration, you are invited to come forward individually or as a family and place in the basket your pledge card and the slip of paper on which you have noted something for which you are thankful.

This Morning's Worship Leaders

Preacher.....	Rev. Caroline Kelly
Liturgist.....	Ann Kellermeyer
Director of Music Ministries.....	Bryan Lohr
Musicians.....	The Sanctuary Choir and Brenda Luger, Flute
Sound Technician	Joe Aurigemma
Ushers.....	Charlene Lelinski and Judy Stern

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 honor of their beautiful children, Melissa, Eddie, Hayden, and their perfect grandchildren, Gabriel, Dominic, and Christian, by Larry Ulm and Marlee Ort. **There are flower openings for December 9 and 16! 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.**

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

RULING ELDERS: AGNES YOUNT & GARY HENDRICKSON

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of November 4, 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	\$ 187,002.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$ 175,543.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 11,458.00

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

November 5, 2017
77

November 4, 2018
79

MISSION

RULING ELDERS: PHIL MILLS & PAM JAN

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE: Hurricane Michael struck the Florida panhandle with devastating winds and storm surge, causing loss of life. The storm then cut a path across the southeast, moving through the same areas impacted by Hurricane Florence just a few weeks ago. You can help the PDA bring hope and healing to those affected by praying, taking action and by offering financial support. For those wishing to offer financial support, please place PDA Hurricane Michael in the memo section of your check.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

RULING ELDERS: DAVID STICKLER & CATHY LEVITAS

JOIN US FOR AN INTERFAITH SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING next Sunday, November 18, 2018 at 6:00PM. The service will be led by members of the Cumberland Area Interfaith Ministerial Association and hosted by Christ Lutheran Church (1222 Vocke Rd, Cumberland, MD 21502).

OUR STAFF

Teaching Elder/Pastor.....Rev. Caroline M. Kelly
Director of Music MinistriesBryan Lohr
Executive Administrative Assistant.....Brittany Jackson
Sexton.....Zach Dodge
Sound Tech/Security.....Joe Aurigemma
Sunday Worship Child Care Providers..... Addy and Jonathan Dayton

THE SESSION

Class of 2019: Shirley Giarritta, Gary Hendrickson, Phil Mills, and David Stickler

Class of 2020: Jeff Getty, Pam Jan, Cathy Levitas, and Joe Weaver

Class of 2021: Laura Fiscus, Josh Gilhart, Aaron Hendrickson, and Agnes Yount

Clerk of Session.....Jeff Getty
Moderator.....Caroline Kelly

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

MONDAY, NOVEMBER (12)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
4:45 PM ADMIN & FINANCE MEETING IN THE PARLOR

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER (13)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
12:00 PM MINISTERIAL MEETING IN THE PARLOR
4:00 PM FAITH FORMATION MEETING IN THE PARLOR
7:00 PM SESSION MEETING IN THE LIBRARY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER (14)

8:30 AM LEARNING TREE: PANCAKES WITH POP
9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
6:15 PM CHRISTIANITY 101 STUDY IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE
6:15 PM JOYBELLS REHEARSAL
7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE LIBRARY
7:30 PM SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER (15)

8:30 AM LEARNING TREE: PANCAKES WITH POP
9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER (16)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER (17)

9:00 AM PEO MEETING IN THE PARLOR
6:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER (18)

9:45AM AN ILLUSTRATED COMPASSION: LEARNING TO LOVE LIKE GOD (2-5 YEAR OLDS)
9:45 AM FEASTING ON THE WORD - EARLY ELEMENTARY (K-2ND GRADE)
9:45 AM PERSONALIZED BIBLE STORIES (ADULTS)
11:00AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY: CONSECRATION SUNDAY
12:15 PM STAMPED FROM THE BEGINNING BOOK STUDY IN THE CHAPEL
6:00PM COMMUNITY INTERFAITH THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
(1222 Vocke Rd, Cumberland, MD 21502)

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