SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY MAY 12, 2019 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PRELUDE

ALLEGRO FROM 'SONATA NO. 1'
Brenda Luger, Flute and Bryan Lohr, Organ

MICHAEL CORRETTE

11:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

CHORAL INTROIT

GOD, WHO TOUCHEST EARTH WITH BEAUTY
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR AND BRENDA LUGER, FLUTE
God, who touchest earth with beauty, make me lovely, too.
With thy spirit recreate me, make my heart anew.
Like thy streams and running waters, make me crystal pure.
Like thy rocks of towering grandeur, make me strong and sure.

Like thy dancing leaves in sunlight, make me glad and free. Like the straightness of the pine trees, let me upright be. Like the arching of the heavens, lift my thoughts above. Turn my dreams to noble actions, ministries of love.

* CALL TO WORSHIP PSALM 95:1,2

O Come, let us sing to the Lord and shout with joy to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise. Ellen Jane Lorenz

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God.

Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.

Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us.

Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit...

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

* RESPONSE #555

O LAMB OF GOD

"LAND OF REST"

O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us, Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners- of whom I am the foremost. **Thanks be to God. 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.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

EXODUS 2:1-10

THE SANCTUARY CHOIR AND BRENDA LUGER, FLUTE
A mother lined a basket to keep her baby dry,
then rocked him on a river, lest he awake and cry.
She let a princess name him, her son that he might live.
God's people had a leader. She had such hope to give.

A mother sewed a jacket, lined in the softest wool, then dressed her little boy-child, her cup of blessing full. She brought him to the temple where he would serve and live. God's people had a prophet. She had such faith to give.

A mother laid her baby in manger lined with straw, then in the shepherd's story, his call from God foresaw. She nurtured him and taught him the way the he must live. God's people had a savior. She had such love to give.

Like Jochebed and Hannah, and Mary too, we know the hardest part of loving is learning to let go. So, when we send our children out in the word to live, grant us such hope and faith, God, and love enough to give.

SECOND LESSON LUKE 2:15-19, 41-51 PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 55

SERMON "TWO MOTHERS IN THE BIBLE" REV. DR. JAMES R.M. YOUNG

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

BLESSING OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

BENJI BRYAN, MATT DINOLA, TIM STERNE, AND JACK TAUBE

PASTORAL PRAYERS CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Invitation to Offering

MUSICAL OFFERING

Amazing Grace Brenda Luger, Flute and Bryan Lohr, Organ

ARR. RICKY LOMBARDO

* AT THE PRESENTATION # 609 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN #722 LORD, SPEAK TO ME THAT I MAY SPEAK "CANONBURY"

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* SUNG RESPONSE #306 BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

"DENNIS"

"LASST UNS ERFREUEN"

(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

TOCCATA FOR ORGAN BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN JOHN WEAVER

* When this symbol precedes an element of the service, if you are able, please stand. Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold.**

This Morning's Worship Leaders

Preacher	Rev. Dr. James R.M. Young
Liturgist	Josh Gilhart
Director of Music Ministries	Bryan Lohr
Musicians	The Sanctuary Choir and Brenda Luger, Flute
Sound Technician	Joe Aurigemma
Ushers	Cindy Corley and Judy Stern

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

STAFF VACATION NOTICE: Executive Administrative Assistant Brittany Jackson will be on vacation from May 28th - June 3rd. The church office will be staffed from 9:00AM-12:00PM by office volunteers. Also, please note that the Church office will be CLOSED on Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.

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 https://www.fpc-umberland.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 their mothers, Jane Adams and Audrey Mills, women we not only loved but truly admired, by Kim and Phil Mills. 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.

NEW E-GIVING OPTIONS NOW AVAILABLE: You now have the option to give via the church website by clicking the Give Now button, from your Realm account or by text message. You can set up one time payments or reoccurring payments as well. Please contact the church office if you have any questions or if you need any assistance.

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE RULING ELDERS: AGNES YOUNT & GARY HENDRICKSON

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of May 5, 2019
Total 2019 Pledges Promised	\$217,442.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 8,592.00
2019 Pledge Balance Promised	\$205,850.00
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$ 77,350.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$ 72,294.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 5,055.00
SUNDAY ATTENDANCE	
May 6, 2018	May 5, 2019
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FAITH FORMATION

RULING ELDERS: JOE WEAVER & ANN KELLERMEYER

BOOK STUDY: The Faith Formation book group is going to read *Colored People* by Henry Louis Gates. He's the host of "Finding Your Roots" on PBS, a Harvard professor, and one of the top historians in the field of black history. Dr. Gates grew up in Piedmont in the 1950s and 60s. The book is a memoir that tells about growing up black and coming of age in our region's heyday. On top of that, it's a good read.

Joe Weaver will be the moderator. The group will meet in the chapel after worship May 19, May 26, and June 2. Please order a copy of the book or if you would like Brittany to order one for you, contact the church office.

To register, contact Joe (301-777-2742 or <u>jhw339@juno.com</u>) or Brittany (301-777-3700 or firspresbyteriansecretary@gmail.com).

MISSION

RULING ELDERS: PHIL MILLS & PAM JAN

MISSION OUTREACH DINNER: The monthly outreach dinner will be held on May 26th at Christ United Methodist Church, 336 Race Street. Dinner will be served from 4:00-5:30PM. If anyone can volunteer to serve dinner help clean tables, or provide brownies, please let Judy Stern, Phil Mills, or Linda Smith know.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

	Monday, May (13)
9:00 AM	CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
4:45 PM	ADMIN & FINANCE MEETING IN THE PARLOR
6:00 PM	CHORAL SOCIETY REHEARSAL
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9:00 AM	CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
5:00 PM	FAITH FORMATION MEETING IN THE PARLOR
6:30 PM	Buildings & Grounds Work Night
	WEDNESDAY, MAY (15)
	LEARNING TREE MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON
9:00 AM	CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
10:30 AM	STAFF MEETING IN THE PARLOR
6:15 PM	JOYBELLS REHEARSAL IN THE LIBRARY
7:00 PM	N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM
7:30 PM	SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL IN THE CHOIR ROOM
	Thursday, May (16)
	Learning Tree Mother's Day Luncheon
9:00 AM	CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
6:00 PM	CHORAL SOCIETY REHEARSAL
7:00 PM	Session Meeting in the Heritage Room
	FRIDAY, MAY (17)
9:00 AM	CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
	SATURDAY, MAY (18)
9:00 AM	BUILDING AND GROUNDS SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY UNTIL NOON
9:00 AM	SOUTH DAKOTA LEARNING CAMP TRAINING
9:00 AM 9:30 AM	PEO MEETING IN THE PARLOR
6:00 PM	N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

7:30 PM	CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERT
	SUNDAY, MAY (19)
9: 4 5AM	AN ILLUSTRATED COMPASSION: LEARNING TO LOVE LIKE GOD (2-5 YEAR OLDS)
9:45 AM	Feasting on the Word - Early Elementary (K- 2^{nd} Grade)
9:45 AM	Personalized Bible Stories (Adults)
11:00AM	SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
12:15 PM	BOOK STUDY IN THE CHAPEL
3:00 PM	CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERT

WORSHIP & MUSIC RULING ELDERS: DAVID STICKLER & CATHY LEVITAS

SAVE-THE-DATES: June 9, 2019- Pentecost: Wear red!