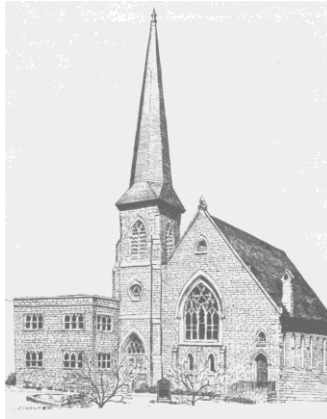


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11 WASHINGTON STREET CUMBERLAND, MD 21502



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

JULY 21, 2019

10:00 AM

PRELUDE

SONG AND SERENADE
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

NED ROREM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

PSALM 124 & 118

* HYMN #667

WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES

"LAUDES DOMINI"

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God,
in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings,
and our offenses against you.
You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, O Lord,
for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you.
Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light,
and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior...

(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

PSALM 100:5

Brothers and sisters, hear these words from the scriptures:
For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to generations.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

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.)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS

PSALM 52

PEW BIBLE, OT, p. 493

ANTHEM

THE LORD'S PRAYER
JAMES YOUNG, BARITONE

ALBERT HAY MALOTTE

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

ROMANS 12:1-2, 17-19

PEW BIBLE, NT, p. 151

SERMON

THE RISE OF DAVID
VII. PAYBACK!
I SAMUEL 24

REV. DR. JAMES R.M. YOUNG

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

THERE IS A SPIRIT THAT DELIGHTS TO DO NO EVIL
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

NED ROREM

* SONG OF PRAISE & PRESENTATION # 609 PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

"LASST UNS ERFREUEN"

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!

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

* HYMN #707

TAKE THOU OUR MINDS, DEAR LORD

"HALL"

* BENEDICTION

* SUNG RESPONSE #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.

* 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.....Charlene Lelinski
 Director of Music Ministries.....Bryan Lohr
 Musician.....Rev. Dr. James R. M. Young, Vocalist
 Sound TechnicianJoe Aurigemma
 Ushers.....Jeff and Kathy Getty

MUSIC NOTES

Today's offertory comes from a "A Quaker Reader" by living American composer Ned Rorem (b. 1923.) Born to a Quaker family in Richmond, Indiana, Rorem composed more organ music in the 20th century than any composer who was not a trained organist. Of this music Rorem writes, "raised as a Quaker, I craved Catholic sound..." ***There Is A Spirit That Delights To Do No Evil*** comes from the last words of James Naylor, a Quaker leader executed by the English in 1660.

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

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.**

PRAYER CHAIN: If you have prayer requests that you would like to add to First Presbyterian Church's prayer chain, please contact the church office at 301-777-3700.

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 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 EGIVING 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: GARY HENDRICKSON & CINDY CORLEY

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of July 14, 2019
Total 2019 Pledges Promised	\$217,442.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 8,592.00
<u>2019 Pledge Balance Promised</u>	<u>\$205,850.00</u>
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$ 116,920.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$ 112,457.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 4,462.00

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

July 15, 2018
63

July 14, 2019
42

CONGREGATIONAL CARE & OUTREACH

RULING ELDERS: LAURA FISCUS & JOSH GILHART

MEDITATION GROUP AT FPC: In response to the interest indicated on the Wellness Assessment earlier this year, Cheri Duncan will be leading a guided meditation group. The group will meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. If you're interested in participating in this group and would like further information, please contact to Laura Fiscus, Josh Gilhart, or Cheri Duncan to discuss the group.

MIND/BODY SKILLS: Please join Pam Jan and Laura Fiscus for an 8-week course in Mind/Body Skills September 3rd through October 22nd. We'll meet in the chapel each Tuesday afternoon or evening (depending on the group's preference). Learn how to manage stress and improve overall wellness with evidence-based techniques.

FAITH FORMATION

RULING ELDERS: JOE WEAVER & ANN KELLERMAYER

GATHERING AROUND THE TABLE LADIES LUNCH will be held on Tuesdays, August 13 from 11:30 AM -1:00 PM. Our gatherings will be in a relaxed format where everyone considers a Bible verse, listens to a short devotion/discussion on the theme and then takes turn answering four questions while we enjoy a simple meal. The Bible verse, theme and questions come from IfGathering.com under the If Table section. We currently meet at the home of Julie Courtney, 209 Fayette Street. Contact Julie Courtney at 301-707-2037 with any questions and to RSVP.

If Tuesdays don't work and you would like to attend, let Julie know if a Thursday evening or Saturday brunch would be preferred. There's room at the table!

MISSION

RULING ELDERS: PAM JAN & AARON HENDRICKSON

ALL HANDS ON DECK FOR SUMMER LUNCHBOX 2019: Calling all sandwich makers and lunch packers...We will again be making and delivering lunches on Fridays this summer **through Friday, August 9**. Please plan to join us in the Fellowship from 9:30 AM - noon for any or all Friday mornings this summer. We welcome all helpers. Please sign up on the sheets in the side hallway at church or call Cathy Levitas at [301-707-7386](tel:301-707-7386) for more information.

WORSHIP & MUSIC

RULING ELDERS: DAVID STICKLER & CATHY LEVITAS

COMMUNION INFORMATION: Did you know that ordained elders aren't the only folks who can serve communion. According to the new Directory for Worship, "Ordinarily ruling elders, deacons, and ministers of the Word and Sacrament serve the bread and cup; the session may authorize other church members to do so." (W-3.0414 Communion). Even if you've never been an elder, you can still be a communion server, and we can provide the training. Consider saying yes to this opportunity if someone from the Worship and Music Committee calls you to ask.

NEW FORMAT FOR JOYS AND CONCERNS: In the interest of personal privacy, the way that Joys and Concerns are expressed during worship services will change. Members and guests will now have the opportunity to write personal prayers on colored cards available in the pews, and indicate if the prayer is confidential. Ushers will collect prayer cards separately during the offering and present them to the pastor. After reviewing the cards, the pastor will incorporate individual prayers, where appropriate, with other pastoral prayers. In this way, we will continue to hold each other up in prayer, while being sensitive to privacy issues.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

MONDAY, JULY (22)

9:00 AM HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NAILS GROUP
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

TUESDAY, JULY (23)

9:00 AM HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NAILS GROUP
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

WEDNESDAY, JULY (24)

9:00 AM HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NAILS GROUP
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

THURSDAY, JULY (25)

9:00 AM HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NAILS GROUP
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY, JULY (26)

9:00 AM HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NAILS GROUP
CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
9:30 AM SUMMER LUNCHBOX PROGRAM

SATURDAY, JULY (27)

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

SUNDAY, JULY (28)

10:00AM FRENCHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NAILS GROUP ARRIVES
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

JULY 21, 2019
SIXTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



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Listen to Jesus.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These passages are related to the Lectionary texts for this Sunday.

Sunday	Luke 10:38-42	Only one thing needed
Monday	Genesis 18:1-10a	A son is promised
Tuesday	Colossians 1:15-28	The supremacy of Christ
Wednesday	1 Samuel 3:1-21	The Lord speaks to Samuel
Thursday	Matthew 17:1-8	The Transfiguration
Friday	Proverbs 19:20-27	The wisdom of being taught
Saturday	Psalms 15	Worshipping the Lord
Sunday	Luke 11:1-13	Jesus teaches about prayer

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

She [Martha] had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he [Jesus] was saying. **Luke 10:39 (NRSV)**

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Almighty God, give us the peace and joy in your presence that we hear your word and trust in you alone. Through Christ our Lord, amen.

Mealtime Prayer:

Dear Lord, just as Sarah and Abraham fed the three strangers, we thank you for providing us this food today. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May Christ, the Image of the Invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, bless you with faith, hope, and love. (Colossians 1:15)



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JULY 21, 2019
HYMN OF THE WEEK
Jesus, the Very Thought of You



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Discuss in your home, small group, or use for personal reflections:

- Who do you trust and want to listen to? Why?
- What helps you to listen to Jesus as your Savior and Lord?
- What gets in the way of listening to the message of Jesus for your life?

DEVOTIONS

Read: Luke 10:38-42.

This short story challenges our ability to interpret Jesus' message. Martha is showing hospitality to her guest Jesus while her sister Mary simply sits at Jesus' feet to listen to him. Hospitality is too important in the Bible (Luke 7:38-50) to see this not as a problem. Somehow, in the midst of her service, Martha gets distracted, perhaps by seeing Mary who simply sits and listens. Jesus affirms Mary's action as choosing "the better part" (v. 42). Even our good intentions to serve can become a distraction when we lose sight (and sound) of Jesus. Listening to the word of God leads us to serve, and serving others leads us back to receiving God's message that turns the world on its head by declaring loyalty to God alone. Why? Because those who receive the message and presence of Christ receive "the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages," and this mystery "is Christ in you, the hope of glory" (Colossians 1:27-28). Imagine sitting in front of Jesus. What might he be saying to you? What would you like to ask him?

Pray: Lord, the busyness of our daily lives can be distracting. Help us to take time to sit down and listen to you. In Jesus name, amen.

SERVICE

Abraham saw three strangers near him. He and Sarah gave them water and fed them (Genesis 18:1-9). This was an act of kindness and service. There are many who are strangers to us in need of water and food both in our own communities and around the world. Look up those organizations in your area that provide water and food to those in need. In what ways can you donate or support them?

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Sometimes our lives get so busy that we do not take time to stop and listen, especially in our homes. In Luke 10:41-42, Martha was busy and had lots to do for her guests. Mary sat and listened to Jesus. Gather three bean bags or balls. Begin by throwing one in the air and catch it. Then add another and another until you are juggling all three. Can you juggle all three easily and pay attention to others? Martha may have been able to juggle everything she was doing well, but she thought everyone else should be doing the same. Jesus told Martha that Mary had chosen the better thing to do by listening. Why is it important to stop being busy in our lives and listen?



In addition to *Taking Faith Home*, celebrate milestones in your daily life as an effective faith formation tool. Go to: www.milestonesministry.org