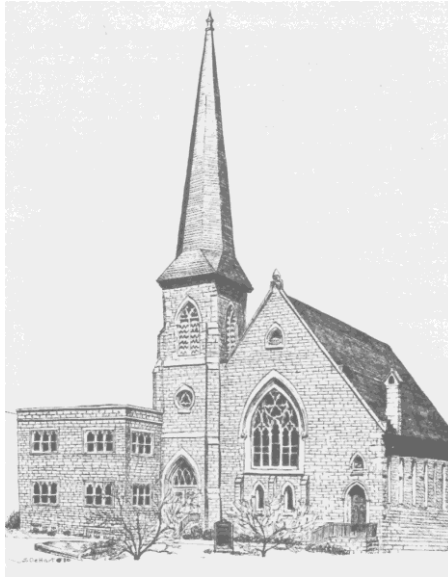


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11 WASHINGTON STREET CUMBERLAND, MD 21502



SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION

AUGUST 4, 2019

10:00 AM

PRELUDE

ANDANTE RELIGIOSO FROM 'SONATA NO. 4'
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN

FELIX MENDELSSOHN

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

GOD WELCOMES ALL
NANCY HODGES AND BETTY RICHTMEYER

ARR. JOHN BELL

God welcomes all, strangers and friends!
God's love is strong and it never ends.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

2 CORINTHIANS 13:13, RUTH 2:4, PSALM 95:1-2

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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.

* HYMN #620

PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN

"LAUDA ANIMA"

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name...

(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

II CORINTHIANS 1:19-20A

Brothers and sisters, hear these words from the scriptures:
For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, whom we proclaimed among you,
Silvanus and Timothy and I, was not, “Yes and No”; but in him it is always “Yes.”
For in him every one of God’s promises is a “Yes.”
For this reason it is through him that we say “Amen”, to the glory of God.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please greet one another with signs of peace.)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS

PSALM 107 *(To be sung)*

Sung to SING PRAISE TO GOD WHO REIGNS ABOVE
Translated into verses by Fred R. Anderson

MIT FREUDEN ZART

*A song sung by pilgrims coming to Jerusalem offering thanks
for escape from various dangers.)*

We thank you, Lord, for you are good,
Your love endures forever.
From east and west, from north and south,
You call your own together.
Let all the Lord’s redeemed sing praise,
God’s love endures beyond our days;
Sing praise to our Redeemer.

In desert waste consumed with thirst
They came to their last hour.
To you, O Lord, they raised their cry,
You saved them by your power.
You made a path both straight and good,
You satisfied their need for food,
You quenched their thirst with mercy.

Down to the sea in ships they went
For commerce on the water.
And there they saw your wondrous works,
Your power o’er sea and weather.
To heights of heaven and depth of deep,
Their lives were tossed in terror’s keep;
They called and, Lord, you answered.

When trouble, sorrow, and defeat
Oppress and bring new trouble,
God pours contempt on every foe
To make their scheming rubble.
Hear then, you wise, come now, give heed,
God's steadfast love will meet all need;
Sing praise to our Redeemer.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

JOHN 1:14-17

PEW BIBLE, NT, P. 86

SERMON

THE RISE OF DAVID: IX
COMPLETELY MESSING UP
I SAMUEL 27, 29, AND 30:1-6

REV. DR. JAMES R.M. YOUNG

RECEIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

RAIN DOWN

ARR. JOHN CARTER

NANCY HODGES AND BETTY RICHTMEYER

*Rain down, rain down, rain down your love on your people.
Rain down, rain down, rain down your love, God of life.*

Faithful and true is the word of our God; all of God's works are so worthy of trust.
God's mercy falls on the just and the right; full of God's love is the earth.

We who revere and find hope in our God; live in the kindness and joy of God's wing.
God will protect us from darkness and death; God will not leave us to starve.

God of creation, we long for your truth; you are the water of life that we thirst.
Grant that your love and peace touch our hearts; all of our hope lies in you.

* 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!

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND
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.

WE COME TO THE TABLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal and gracious One, though we live in a world of need,
here we have tasted your goodness and hungered for a world more just.
Though afflicted by brokenness and division,
here we have heard your call to be people of healing community.
Though daily we touch our limits,
here we have received the fullness of your grace.
Send us forth, O God,
in faith, in hope, and in love. Amen.

* **HYMN #435**

THERE'S A WIDENESS IN GOD'S MERCY

"IN BABILONE"

* **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.**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*FINALE FROM 'ORGAN CONCERTO NO. 5'
BRYAN LOHR, ORGAN*

G. F. HANDEL

* 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.....Carolyn Mathews
Director of Music Ministries.....Bryan Lohr
Musician.....Nancy Hodges and Betty Richtmeyer, Vocalist
Sound TechnicianJoe Aurigemma
Ushers.....David Stickler and Burt Heister

MUSIC NOTES

The introit **God Welcomes All** is a South African song, translated and transcribed by John Bell, a preacher and musician from the Iona Community in Scotland. The simple, yet powerful message is intended to set a welcoming tone to a worship service or community gathering.

The anthem **Rain Down** was written in 1991 by Jamie Cortez, a songwriter, composer, and performer who was born in New York and raised in El Salvador. Cortez has spent much of his professional career writing music to bring different cultures together in worship.

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 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: GARY HENDRICKSON & CINDY CORLEY

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of July 28, 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	\$ 119,224.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$ 120,490.00
Over/(Under)	\$ (1,266.00)

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE

July 29, 2018

73

July 28, 2019

54

CONGREGATIONAL CARE & OUTREACH

RULING ELDERS: LAURA FISCUS & JOSH GILHART

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.

MEDITATION GROUP: Meditation is a practice in which the technique of mindfulness is used to train attention and awareness to achieve a mentally clear and emotionally calm and stable state. Each evening, experience one of a spectrum of meditations consistent with our Christian tradition; then, relax to a guided meditation that includes nature sounds, progressive muscle relaxation and a wellness journey. We meet the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 5:00 p.m. in either the Parlor or the Heritage Room. Come and encounter God anew! For more information, contact Cheri, Josh or Laura.

08.12 Silence/Floating

08.26 Body Sensations/Healing

09.09 Thought Control/Obstacles

09.23 Breathing/Anxiety

10.14 Labyrinth @ Allegany College

10.28 Body Prayer/Procrastination

11.11 The Empty Chair/Inner Peace

11.15 Ignatian Contemplation/Positivity

12.09 Symbolic Fantasy/Spiritual Journey

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 KELLERMEYER

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 be making and delivering lunches for our final Friday this summer **on Friday, August 9**. Please plan to join us in the Fellowship from 9:30 AM - noon. We welcome all helpers.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

MONDAY, AUGUST (5)

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST (6)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
2:00 PM FULLER BIKE CENTER ARRIVAL FOR OVERNIGHT STAY
6:30 PM MISSION MEETING IN THE PARLOR
7:00 PM BUILDING & GROUNDS MEETING IN THE PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST (7)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
5:15 PM WORSHIP & MUSIC MEETING IN THE PARLOR
7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE HERITAGE ROOM

THURSDAY, AUGUST (8)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY, AUGUST (9)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
9:30 AM FINAL SUMMER LUNCHBOX PROGRAM

SATURDAY, AUGUST (10)

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST (11)

10:00AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

AUGUST 4, 2019
EIGHTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST



taking
faith
home

Through baptism you have been raised with Christ.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

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

Sunday	Luke 12:13-21	Parable of the rich fool
Monday	Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23	Wisdom makes sense
Tuesday	Colossians 3:1-11	New life in Christ
Wednesday	1 Peter 1:3-12	A reason for hope
Thursday	Job 42:1-9	Job is humbled
Friday	Colossians 3:12-17	Christ gives meaning to your life
Saturday	Psalms 29:1-12	Don't depend on wealth
Sunday	Luke 12:32-40	Seek treasures in heaven

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.
Colossians 3:2-3 (NRSV)

PRAYERS AND BLESSING

A Prayer for the Week:

Dear Lord Jesus Christ, thank you for the gift of baptism that frees me to live my life for others and for the glory of God. Amen.

Meatime Prayer:

Thank you for this food and for mouths to eat, help us to serve you with our hands and our feet. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May God clothe you with a new life in Christ. (Colossians 3:4, 10)

AUGUST 4, 2019



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HYMN OF THE WEEK

*We Know that Christ
Is Raised*

CARING CONVERSATIONS

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

- What accomplishments of yours would you like others to know about?
- Why is it that for some people successes in life never seem to be enough?
- Is there comfort in knowing that your real identity is hidden from the world until Christ is revealed in glory? Explain.

DEVOTIONS

Read: Colossians 3:1-11

This passage begins with baptismal imagery ("you have been raised with Christ") that had already been established in verse 2:12: "When you were buried with him in baptism, you were already raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead." It is important to see the baptismal life in chapter three not as a rejection of bodily, earthly things, but affirming the higher calling in this daily life. In baptism we put to death—repent of—the sin that dwells within and among us (vv. 5-9). We are freed from looking for personal glory (v. 3) to care for others in a way that sees all as united in Christ whether "Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free" (v. 11). What a gift of life: in baptism we are freed from focusing on ourselves—from looking for personal recognition in life—so that the whole body can be served with love. Our lives are hidden in Christ yet also visible as a people united in Christ. Therefore, your life is freed from sin so that you are able to serve others. In what ways do you feel freed in Christ to serve others?

Pray: Gracious Lord Jesus, thank you for freeing me from the need for personal recognition so that I can recognize the need of others. Amen.

SERVICE

In Luke 12:12-21 we find the parable of the rich fool. "Rich toward God" (v. 21) means we are to be generous with the treasures we have and not keep everything for ourselves. The theme of this reading is, "Don't be greedy, give to the needy!" Begin a tradition of giving up some of the money you might spend going out to eat or to a movie and save it to give to a charity at the end of the year.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Psalms 49:1-12 discusses the folly of trusting in riches as eventually we leave our wealth to others whether we want to or not. Sharing with others our time, talents, treasures, and caring is a Christian tradition. Learning to give to others begins in the home. Place grapes or cookies in a bowl. How many would you need to be satisfied? The foolish rich man would want them all! How about you? Think this week about how you nurture an atmosphere of sharing and giving in your home.



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