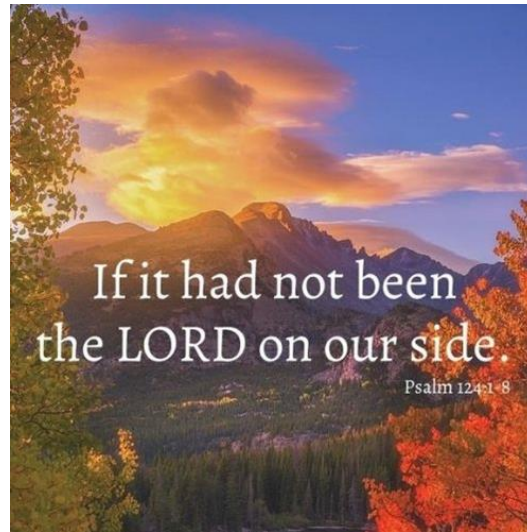


# SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION

## ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 7, 2021

11:00 AM



OPENING VOLUNTARY

GOING HOME "THE NEW WORLD SYMPHONY"  
NANCY HODGES, ORGAN

DVORÁK  
ARR. PARKS

11:00 AM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *HYMN#292*

AS THE WIND SONG  
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

"WAIKUA TAPU"

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER FOR THE DAY

We come to worship God in many ways.  
**We come singing, dancing, and shouting for joy.**  
We come grieving, mourning, and crying for loss.  
**We come asking, praying, and seeking peace.**  
We come to worship as we are, knowing that God will meet us here.  
**Holy Spirit, come and fill this space and make us one.**

Let us pray:

Holy God, Your ways are just and true. Your commandments are trustworthy. Your steadfast love is never far from us in the person of Jesus Christ, our Savior. In him we know your righteous judgement, your reconciling redemption, and your encompassing care for the whole of creation. Through him we shall walk humbly, live justly, and worship you joyously, God of our lives! Be present with us, as you were for the faithful before us. Help us to praise your name forever. Amen.

### \* HYMN #730

*I SING A SONG OF THE SAINTS OF GOD*

"GRAND ISLE"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we confess that we have failed to seek your will. You call for faithfulness and love; we respond with half-hearted praise. You call for righteousness and peace; we respond with empty promises. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us how to worship you with the sacrifice you desire: loving you and loving one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### SUNG RESPONSE #71

SURELY, IT IS GOD WHO SAVES ME (VERSE 1)

"FIRST SONG"

## PASSING OF THE PEACE AND CELEBRATING OUR COMMUNITY

*We recognize how important we are to each other - as we worship, we pass the peace of Christ from our seats and wave to those who are joining us via Livestream. We belong to each other and are stronger together.*

### A TIME FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

"OH WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN"

VIDEOS FROM OUR CZECH PARTNER

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST READING

PSALM 146:1-10

#### Praise for God's Help

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD, O my soul!

<sup>2</sup> I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

<sup>3</sup> Do not put your trust in princes, in mortals, in whom there is no help.

<sup>4</sup> When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.

<sup>5</sup> Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God,

<sup>6</sup> who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever;

<sup>7</sup> who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets the prisoners free;

<sup>8</sup> the LORD opens the eyes of the blind. The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.

<sup>9</sup> The LORD watches over the strangers; he upholds the orphan and the widow, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin. <sup>10</sup> The LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!

### ANTHEM HYMN#693

THE GIFT OF LOVE  
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

ARR. HAL HOPSON

### SECOND READING

MARK 12:28-34

#### The First Commandment

<sup>28</sup> One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; <sup>30</sup> you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' <sup>31</sup> The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." <sup>32</sup> Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; <sup>33</sup> and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,'—this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." <sup>34</sup> When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." After that no one dared to ask him any question.

### SERMON

"PRIORITIES"

REV. ALISON PETERS

### \* HYMN #63

THE LORD IS GOD

"AZMON"

## ALL SAINTS PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE AND THE TOLLING OF THE BELL

GARY KIDDER- NOVEMBER 3, 2020

KATHRYN BEALS -NOVEMBER 18, 2020

LUCY HOGAN- DECEMBER 6, 2020

JANET HENDERSHOT- FEBRUARY 11, 2021

BARBARA LEASURE- JUNE 3, 2021

DEBRA JONES- JUNE 15, 2021

TYLER JAMES SEIFERT- JUNE 24, 2021

ARBUTUS BARR- AUGUST 323, 2021

DAVID NOVAK- AUGUST 25, 2021

MATTHEW SHROUT- SEPTEMBER 5, 2021

LARRY ULM- OCTOBER 01, 2021

JUDITH MOORE- NOVEMBER 2, 2021

STEWARDSHIP HYMN #687	OUR GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST (VERSE 1)	"ST. ANNE"
Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:		

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP: "THE LORD IS ON OUR SIDE"	JOSH GILHART
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STEWARDSHIP HYMN #687	OUR GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST (VERSE 6)	"ST. ANNE"
Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, be thou our guard while life shall last, and our eternal home.		

INVITATION TO OFFERING

*(We are now passing the offering plates.*  
*Please place all tithes and offerings as well as any orange prayer request cards in the offering plate.)*

MUSICAL OFFERING	ADAGIO	ALBINONI
	NANCY HODGES, ORGAN	ARR. WOLFF

* DOXOLOGY #36	FOR THE FRUIT OF ALL CREATION (VERSE 1)	"AR HYDY NOS"
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\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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 WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER SUPPER

Holy God, for this sacred time of communion with you - we offer our thanks and praise. May these moments build us into the people that you call us to be and may we take our strength from this place out into the world that needs your love. Amen.

* HYMN #326	FOR ALL THE SAINTS	"SINE NOMINE"
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\* BENEDICTION

* RESPONSE AFTER BENEDICTION #540	FAREWELL, GOOD FRIENDS!	"SHALOM, CHAVERIM"
<i>(Sung the first time in Hebrew and the second time in English.)</i>		

POSTLUDE	TRUMPET TUNE AND AYRE	CLARKE
	NANCY HODGES, ORGAN	ARR. WOLFF

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\* 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. Alison Peters  
Liturgist..... Sharon Kazary  
Guest Organist..... Nancy Hodges  
Musicians..... The Sanctuary Choir  
Audio/Video Technicians..... Joe Aurigemma and Eric Ringler  
Usher..... Bill and Ann Kellermeyer

During worship this morning, we will participate in a shared worship service with our partner church in Vsetín, Czech Republic. We will share the hymn "Oh When the Saints", the scripture reading, and prayers. Vsetin sent a short slide show of their summer youth camp, including the waterproof Bibles we donated. They will see a recording of our choir singing "Hark I Hear".

### 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

### OUR STAFF

Teaching Elder/Pastor..... Rev. Alison Peters  
Director of Music Ministries ..... Judith Brown  
Executive Administrative Assistant..... Brittany Jackson  
Sexton..... Zach Dodge  
Sound Tech/Security..... Joe Aurigemma  
Audio/Video Technician..... Eric Ringler

## SESSION OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### CLERK OF SESSION

David Stickler

### ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Cindy Corley & Gary Hendrickson

### BUILDING & GROUNDS

Bob Courtney & Evan Swanger

### CONGREGATIONAL CARE & OUTREACH

Jan Layman & Mikayla Dodge

### FAITH FORMATION

Josh Gilhart & Katie Ross

### MISSION

Aaron Hendrickson & Judy Stern

### WORSHIP & MUSIC

Sharon Kazary & Carl Belt

**PASTOR ALISON'S AVAILABILITY:** Pastor Alison is available when requested or informed of a need. If you are aware of someone in need of a visit or phone call, please call or text her to let her know. *[Fridays are generally her day off and she will respond when she is available.]*

**Ways to contact Pastor Alison:**

**call, text, or email:**

**814-715-1681 / [revalisonpeters@gmail.com](mailto:revalisonpeters@gmail.com)**

**To help with scheduling, please reach out to the Church Office:**

Brittany Jackson: 301-777-3700 [firstpresbyteriansecretary@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresbyteriansecretary@gmail.com)

**OFFICE HOURS UPDATE:** For the time being, due to bus transportation Covid guidelines with Allegany County Public Schools, Brittany will be in the office daily from 8:30AM -3:00 PM. She can be reached via email or on her cell phone from 3:00-4:00 PM if needed.

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME:** A very warm welcome to everyone who comes to worship with us here at First Presbyterian Church! We are proud of being a "Big Tent Church" where everyone is welcome to join us in worshiping and serving our Lord, Jesus Christ. We welcome and encourage worshipers of all races, all women, men, and members of the LGBTQ+ community, all political parties, and all walks of life. We welcome you to worship with us.

**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](http://www.fpc-cumberland.org) and [www.facebook.com/First.Pres.Cumberland](https://www.facebook.com/First.Pres.Cumberland).

**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP:** We 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. 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.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS:** The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God in loving memory of husband, dad, and grandad, Larry Ulm. You will always be in the hearts and minds of the loving family you left behind, by Marlee, Melissa, Gabriel, Dominic, Christian, Hayden, Susan, Lucy Pearl, Eddie and Keli. 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.

**SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS:** Please use orange prayer request cards in the back of the sanctuary by the bulletins to share any joys and concerns. Place the card in the offering plate once you have completed your request. The ushers will bring them to the pastor during the offering.

**ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE**  
**RULING ELDERS: GARY HENDRICKSON & CINDY CORLEY**

<b>ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:</b>	<b>as of October 31, 2021</b>
Total 2021 Pledges Promised	\$192,124.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 400.00
<u>2021 Pledge Balance Promised</u>	<u>\$191,724.00</u>
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$168,481.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$165,528.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 2,953.00

**BUILDING & GROUNDS**  
**RULING ELDERS: BOB COURTNEY & EVAN SWANGER**

**HELP NEEDED! FALL CLEAN UP DAY:** Next **Saturday, November 13th**, the Buildings & Grounds Committee invites you to come out and help clean up the church from **9:00AM-12:00PM**.

Job list:

- Weed Whack the rear bank and weed beds in front
- Clean the kitchen
- Coordinate the baseboards in the second floor hallway
- Paint the new boiler pipe on the roof to match the present color
- Complete the shed door repair
- Remove, label and store AC units from the windows of the church
- Cleanup the old choir room storage area

**HELP NEEDED! KITCHEN CLEAN UP:** The Building and Grounds Committee is in need of some assistance on **Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00-12:00 PM** as they do a deep cleaning on the kitchen in preparation for Rev. Alison Peters Installation Service & Reception dinner.

**MISSION**  
**RULING ELDERS: AARON HENDRICKSON & JUDY STERN**

**PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (PDA)** is the emergency and refugee program of the Presbyterian Church. PDA enables congregations and mission partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A) to witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crisis and catastrophic event. Nationally, PDA is helping communities recovering from the effects of Hurricane Ida, North Carolina flooding, and Colorado wildfires. Globally, PDA has a lasting relationship with Haiti helping with earthquake recovery, hurricanes and political upheaval. PDA offers support for Afghan refugees. The Mission Committee encourages everyone to visit the PDA website, [pda.pcusa.org](http://pda.pcusa.org), to learn more about PDA's commitment to helping communities struggling with catastrophic events.

**WORSHIP & MUSIC**  
**RULING ELDERS: SHARON KAZARY & BUCK BELT**

**COVID-19 UPDATE:** As a directive from the Presbytery: For the time being, mask will now be **REQUIRED** at all church functions regardless of vaccination status.

**THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE:** The Churches of Washington Street will be holding a Thanksgiving Eve Service at **7:00 PM on Wednesday, November 24th** at **Emmanuel Parish**. Join us as we give thanks together!