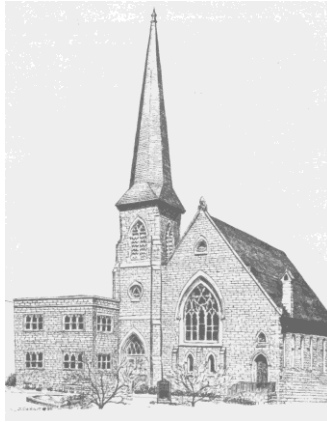


SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
JANUARY 16, 2022 11:00 AM



OPENING VOLUNTARY

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JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

ANONYMOUS

11:00 AM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

WE ARE MARCHING IN THE LIGHT OF GOD  
BRENDA LUGER, FLUTE

“SIYAHAMBA”

Reflective Text:

We are marching in the light of God,  
We are marching in the light of God.

\* CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER FOR THE DAY

We come this day, Precious God, as people in need of your steadfast love:

**with you is the fountain of life; in your Light we see light.**

We gather this day, Water-changing God, as people looking for signs:

**with you is the fountain of life; in your Light we see light.**

We worship this day, Gifting God, as people who confess Jesus as our Lord:

**with you is the fountain of life; in your Light we see light.**

Let us pray -

Almighty and everliving God, you govern all things in heaven and earth; mercifully hear the prayers of your people, and guide the course of our days in your peace, through Jesus Christ, our Savior who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

\* HYMN #394

CHRIST IS MADE THE SURE FOUNDATION  
*(\*Please refrain from singing the hymns, but rather hum along.)*

“WESTMINSTER ABBEY”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, you have given each of us many gifts, but sometimes we cannot recognize what gift we have to share, so we hide it under a bushel. You remind us that all gifts are needed, but sometimes we let ourselves be convinced that some gifts are more special than others.

You call us to work, to live, to love together as parts of one body, but sometimes we decide that membership in the body is limited by our understanding. For the times we have ignored or mislabeled Your gifts, for those times we have cut another off from the body, we offer words of repentance, we ask for forgiveness and grace through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE #576

LORD, HAVE MERCY

“SINGAPURA”

## 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.*

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST READING

PSALM 36:5-10

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

<sup>6</sup>Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.

<sup>7</sup>How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

<sup>8</sup>They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

<sup>9</sup>For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

<sup>10</sup>O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

### SOLO

THE CALL

RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

Reflective Text:

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:

Such a Way, as gives us breath:

Such a Truth, as ends all strife:

Such a Life, as killeth death

Come, My Light, my Feast, my Strength:

Such a Light, as shows a feast:

Such a Feast, as mends in length:

Such a Strength, as makes his guest

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:

Such a Joy, as none can move:

Such a Love, as none can part:

Such a Heart, as joys in love

### SECOND READING

JOHN 2:1-12

2 On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.” <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

<sup>12</sup>After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother, his brothers, and his disciples; and they remained there a few days.

### SERMON

"A MOTHER'S INFLUENCE"

REV. ALISON PETERS

### INVITATION TO OFFERING

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

\* DOXOLOGY #608 PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW "PRAISE GOD(HOPSON)"  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**  
**Praise Christ, all people here below;**  
**Praise Holy Spirit evermore;**  
**Praise Triune God, whom we adore.**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

\* HYMN #833 O LOVE THAT WILT NOT LET ME GO "ST. MARGARET"

\* BENEDICTION

\* RESPONSE AFTER BENEDICTION INSTRUMENTAL "AMEN"

POSTLUDE PSALM XIX BENEDETTO MARCELLO (1686-1739)  
JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

\* 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**.

**COVID-19 UPDATE:** The Worship and Music Committee and Staff are closely monitoring the rise in COVID-19 cases as a result of the Omicron variant.

To care for our members, we are putting a few extra precautions in place to keep our community safe:

- We will continue to mask in our buildings: we recommend using N-95, KN-95, or medical-grade masks if you have them
- We will continue to spread out our seating by family units in our sanctuary
- We will return to humming during the hymns

Please stay home and worship online if you are not feeling well.

### This Morning's Worship Leaders

Preacher..... Rev. Alison Peters  
 Organist.....Judith Brown  
 Musicians.....Brenda Luger, Flute  
 Audio/Video Technicians.....Joe Aurigemma and Eric Ringler  
 Ushers.....Kathy Dowell and John Mullan

### 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

## 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

## 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

## 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](http://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:** 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 January 2, 2022</b>
Total 2022 Pledges Promised	\$202,976.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 31,100.00
<u>2021 Pledge Balance Promised</u>	<u>\$171,876.00</u>
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$4,157.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$3,305.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 851.00

**OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2022** are now available on the table in the back of the sanctuary. If you do not see a box with your name on it, please contact the church office.

### BUILDING & GROUNDS

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

### FPC SNOW POLICY

**Sunday School** – The Pastor and Co-Chairs of the Faith Formation committee will monitor the forecast and come to a decision by Friday evening. If Sunday School is canceled, announcements will be sent out via email, Facebook, and, if possible, text message.

**Worship** – Worship will be canceled only in the most extreme weather conditions. If indicated, the Pastor and the Co-chairs of the Worship & Music and Buildings & Grounds committees will consult and make a decision. If worship is canceled, announcements will be made on radio stations including WCBC 1270 AM (and on their website Snow Watch list) and by e-mail to church members Facebook, and the church website.