

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11 WASHINGTON STREET CUMBERLAND, MD 21502



## SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT:

### HOLY COMMUNION

MAY 1, 2022

11:00 AM

OPENING VOLUNTARY

*CHRIST IST ERSTANDEN (CHRIST IS ARISEN)*  
JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

J. FISCHER (1656-1746)

11:00 AM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

*THAT EASTER DAY WITH JOY WAS BRIGHT*  
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR  
That Easter Day with joy was bright;  
the sun shone out with fairer light  
When, to their longing eyes restored,  
The apostles saw their risen Lord

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

Family of God, if you lift your net and it is empty, Come here!

**We'll cast it out again into Christ's abundance.**

If you open your eyes but do not recognize the Holy One, Come here!

**We'll find the Risen Christ here among us.**

If your life is filled with mourning, Come here!

**Christ is leading a dance of joy.**

Come here, now is the time!

**We give blessing and honor and glory to God!**

Let us pray -

God of victory over death, your Son revealed himself again and again, and convinced his followers of his glorious resurrection. Grant that we may know his risen presence, in love obediently feed his sheep, and care for the lambs of his flock, until we join the hosts of heaven in worshipping you and praising him who is worthy of blessing and honor, glory and power, for ever and ever. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, save us from ourselves. We continue to do the same things over and over, expecting different results. Lord, save us from doing too much. We go fishing every day, not noticing you waiting with a meal on the beach. Lord, save us from doing too little. We say we love you, and yet so often we neglect your sheep. Lord, save us from ourselves. Help us to hear and respond when you say, "Follow Me." We are ready to be faithful. Amen.

*(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)*

RESPONSE #231

CHRIST HAS RISEN WHILE EARTH SLUMBERS (Verse 1)

“SUO GAN”

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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.*

TIME WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

PSALM 30

- <sup>1</sup> I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.
- <sup>2</sup> O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.
- <sup>3</sup> O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.
- <sup>4</sup> Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.
- <sup>5</sup> For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.
- <sup>6</sup> As for me, I said in my prosperity, "I shall never be moved."
- <sup>7</sup> By your favor, O LORD, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed.
- <sup>8</sup> To you, O LORD, I cried, and to the LORD I made supplication:
- <sup>9</sup> "What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?"
- <sup>10</sup> Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me! O LORD, be my helper!"
- <sup>11</sup> You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
- <sup>12</sup> so that my soul may praise you and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

ANTHEM

RISE UP MY LOVE, MY FAIR ONE  
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

HEALY WILLAN (1880-1968)

Rise up, my love, my fair one and come away,  
For lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone  
The flowers appear upon the earth,  
The time of the singing of birds is come

SECOND READING

JOHN 21:1-19

<sup>1</sup> After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. <sup>2</sup> Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. <sup>3</sup> Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

<sup>4</sup> Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." <sup>6</sup> He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of

the boat, and you will find some.” So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. <sup>7</sup>That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. <sup>8</sup>But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

<sup>9</sup>When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. <sup>10</sup>Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” <sup>11</sup>So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. <sup>12</sup>Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, “Who are you?” because they knew it was the Lord. <sup>13</sup>Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. <sup>14</sup>This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

<sup>15</sup>When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.” <sup>16</sup>A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.” <sup>17</sup>He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” And he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. <sup>18</sup>Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.” <sup>19</sup>(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

SERMON

"YET ANOTHER MEAL"

REV. ALISON PETERS

\* HYMN #720

JESUS CALLS US

"GALILEE"

INVITATION TO OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY SOLO

CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN (CHRIST LAY IN DEATH'S BANDS)  
JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

TOBIAS VOLCKMAR

\* DOXOLOGY #231

CHRIST HAS RISEN WHILE EARTH SLUMBERS (Verse 2)

"SUO GAN"

\* 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 who art in 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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER SUPPER

Life-giving God, we thank you that you were willing to dwell among us, to be born one of us, to live our life and die our death. We praise you that the limits of our mortal life do not limit you, that you are able to bring life out of death and newness out of human destruction. We thank you for feeding us with this bread and cup, by which your disciples recognized you on the day of your resurrection, and for claiming us as children and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now give us the strength and grace to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart, In the name of our risen Lord, Amen.

\* HYMN #726

WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME

“KELVINGROVE”

\* BENEDICTION

\* RESPONSE AFTER BENEDICTION# 231 CHRIST HAS RISEN WHILE EARTH SLUMBERS (Verse 3)

“SUO GAN”

POSTLUDE

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN AGAIN

“LLANFAIR”

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**.

### This Morning’s Worship Leaders

Preacher..... Rev. Alison Peters  
Liturgist.....David Stickler  
Director of Music Ministries.....Judith Brown  
Director of the JoyBells.....Julie Courtney  
Musicians.....The Sanctuary Choir  
Audio/Video Technicians.....Joe Aurigemmma and Eric Ringler  
Ushers.....Bob & Sharon Kazary

### 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 Aurigemmma  
Audio/Video Technician.....Eric Ringler

### SESSION OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

#### CLERK OF SESSION

Carolyn Mathews

#### ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Carl Belt & Gary Hendrickson

#### BUILDING & GROUNDS

Bob Courtney & Evan Swanger

#### CONGREGATIONAL CARE & OUTREACH

Mikayla Dodge & Susan Mills

#### FAITH FORMATION

Josh Gilhart & Katie Ross

#### MISSION

Aaron Hendrickson & Brenda Luger

#### WORSHIP & MUSIC

Sharon Kazary & Mike Levitas

## 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:** 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 her parents, Kirke and Theresa Davis, by Gail Plitnik. 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: CARL BELT

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of April 17, 2022
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	\$ 53,563.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$ 52,915.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 647.00

**ORGAN CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:** We are raising money to replace our organ's 50-year-old console with a new solid-state relay and control system. The upgrade will provide numerous benefits: we will no longer worry about the organ's reliability, wiring in the console will be brought up to code, the new control system will reduce the number of moving parts in the console and will be less susceptible to changes in temperature and humidity, the new control system will have numerous levels of memory so that each organist will have many preset combinations available, and the new control system will have the ability to record, store and playback performances. Session has approved this project, and Buck and Jane Belt are offering to match the first \$15,000 of gifts received from members and friends of First Presbyterian Church. All gifts are welcome. You can make a one-time gift or pay in four installments over the next 12 months. Pledge Cards can be found in your pews this morning and can be dropped in the offering plate or placed in the church office.

## BUILDING & GROUNDS

RULING ELDERS: BOB COURTNEY & EVAN SWANGER

**SPRING CLEAN UP DAY:** The Building and Grounds Committee invites you to attend the Spring Clean Up Day on Saturday, May 7th from 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM.