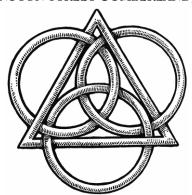
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11 WASHINGTON STREET CUMBERLAND, MD 21502



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY: TRINITY SUNDAY

JUNE 12, 2022

10:00 AM

OPENING VOLUNTARY

LOVE IS FLOWING
NANCY HODGES, PIANO

DARLENE SIM, ARR. PURIFOY

10:00 AM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Introit

GOD IS CALLING THROUGH THE WHISPER JULIE COURTNEY & BETTY RICHTMEYER, DUET

"POLISH CAROL"

* CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER FOR THE DAY

-BASED ON PSALM 8, GENESIS 1

"O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens."

We gather to praise you!

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth..."

"O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens."

We gather to celebrate you!

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth... And God saw that it was good..."

We gather to celebrate our God.

"O Lord, our Lord, the majesty of your name fills the earth! Your glory is higher than the heavens."

We gather to worship you!

And we pray -

O God, you created the heavens and the earth and saw that it was very good - so we come to worship you. We come to give you all praise, honor, majesty, and power - for it all belongs to you! Help us to sense your presence and learn more about who you are and how you move in this world. We ask it all through Christ our Lord, Amen!

* HYMN #1

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! LORD GOD ALMIGHTY!

"NICAEA"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, the psalmist declares that you have given human beings dominion over the works of your hands. All too often, we confuse this holy charge with having ownership. We then treat your creation as a resource to be used for our needs and our profit. We find ourselves reluctant to count the cost of our failure to be your faithful stewards until disaster strikes. And so we pray, show us another way, O God.

Holy God, your cry for wisdom and understanding echoes in our homes, our workplaces, our schools, our church committee meetings, our legislatures and our courts. We confess we don't always want to hear that cry, deciding instead to rely on familiar habits, comfortable assumptions, and quick conclusions.

We ask you to show us another way, O God.

Merciful God, the apostle Paul proclaims peace, hope, and grace are your gifts to us. And yet there are times when grief overwhelms us, anxiety holds us captive, and suffering leaves us numb with despair. We wonder how, even if you are at work in our lives, and we long for you to show us another way, O God. Help us to see another way as we offer to you all that we are. Amen.

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

RESPONSE #286

Breathe on Me, Breath of God (Verse 2)

"Trentham"

Breathe on me, Breath of God; until my heart is pure, until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

JOHN 16:12-15

¹² "I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

ANTHEM RAIN DOWN BY CORTEX, ARR. CARTER

Julie Courtney & Betty Richtmeyer, Duet

SECOND READING

PROVERBS 8:1-4, 22-31

Does not wisdom call, Does not understanding raise her voice?

- ²On the heights beside the way, in the paths she takes her stand;
- ³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries aloud:
- ⁴ "To you, O men, I call, and my cry is to the sons of men.
- ²²The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old.
- ²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth.
- ²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water.
- ²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth;
- ²⁶ before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world.
- ²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep,
- ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep,
- ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth,
- then I was beside him, like a master workman; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always,
- ³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the sons of men.

SERMON "MOVEMENT" REV. ALISON PETERS

* HYMN #15 ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING "LASST UNS ERFREUEN"

INVITATION TO OFFERING

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

Nancy Hodges, Piano

* DOXOLOGY #647 GIVE THANKS "GIVE THANKS"

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One; give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son. Give Son.

And now let the weak say, We are strong";

let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.

* 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 #300 WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT "THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS"

* BENEDICTION

* RESPONSE AFTER BENEDICTION# 306 BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS (Verse 1)

"Suo Gan"

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.

The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

POSTLUDE THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD LANI SMITH
NANCY HODGES, PIANO

This Morning's Worship Leaders

Preacher	
Liturgist	Cathy Levitas
Director of Music Ministries	
Guest Pianist	Nancy Hodges
Musicians	
Audio/Video Technicians	Joe Aurigemma and Eric Ringler
Ushers	Buck & Jane Belt

OUR STAFF

Teaching Elder/Pastor	Rev. Alison Peters
Director of Music Ministries	
Executive Administrative Assistant	
Sexton	
Sound Tech/Security	
Audio/Video Technician	

SESSION OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CLERK OF SESSION
Carolyn Mathews

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Carl Belt & Gary Hendrickson

^{*} 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.**

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 and 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. Nursery care is provided during worship for all children 4 years of age and younger!

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 his dear wife, Roberta, and of my family, by Ronnie Barb. 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 & GARY HENDRICKSON

ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:	as of June 5, 2022
Total 2022 Pledges Promised	\$202,976.00
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 31,100.00
2021 Pledge Balance Promised	\$171,876.00
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$77,458.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$76,066.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 1,391.00

CONGREGATIONAL CARE & OUTREACH RULING ELDERS: MIKAYLA DODGE & SUSAN MILLS

SIGHTS & SOUNDS TRIP: The trip to Sight and Sound Theatre will be September 24th for a matinee show at 3:00 PM. Tickets are \$85 per person. We currently still have some tickets available; please contact Mikayla Dodge at mikaylaedodge@yahoo.com or the church office if you would like to attend this trip. Please make your payment out to First Presbyterian Church and turn it in to the church office by Sunday July 3rd to ensure your ticket. If you have any questions, feel free to email Mikayla Dodge.

FAITH FORMATION RULING ELDERS: JOSH GILHART & KATIE ROSS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held June 13th- June 16th at St. Paul's Lutheran Church from 5:30-7:30 PM. The theme will be "The Parable of the Sower". Several local churches are coming together again this year to host vacation bible school. Volunteers are needed for various jobs. If you would like to serve as a volunteer, contact the church office to add your name to the volunteer list.

If you would like to register a child, contact Katie Ross to complete a registration form. We will only be taking the first 40 participants that register so be sure to complete your forms as soon as possible.

The Faith Formation Committee asks if any of you could:

- Bring donations of greeting cards to use for a craft where the children will cut designs from them to make their own cards.
- Begin planting seeds of any type in small containers as soon as possible so that when VBS begins, we will have plants to give to children. The theme for the week comes from the scripture: The Parable of the Sower Mark 4:1-9.
- Bring smooth stones (not too large/not too small) for the children to paint on. If you can bring any of these things, let Katie Ross know.

MISSION RULING ELDERS: AARON HENDRICKSON & BRENDA LUGER

SEEKING HOST FOR UPCOMING VISITOR: Our church will host a young Czech visitor, Hannah Slámová, from July 19-25. She is coming officially from the Ecumenical Church of Czech Brethren (ECCB) to attend a youth conference at Montreat, NC. She will also visit PC(USA) churches in Pittsburgh, New York, Annapolis, and Atlanta.

Georgene McKenzie and Linda Smith know her family from trips to the Czech Republic. Hannah will have travel and medical insurance, and an emergency information form. She is 16 years old, is very good with both children and the elderly, is very musical, and enjoys the outdoors. Please contact Georgene or Linda if you are interested in hosting Hannah during her stay.