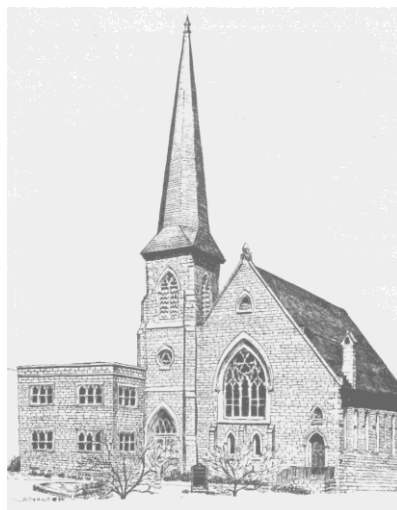


# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11 WASHINGTON STREET

CUMBERLAND, MD 21502



## SERVICE OF WORD & SACRAMENT: HOLY COMMUNION JULY 3, 2022 10:00 AM

OPENING VOLUNTARY

FESTIVAL VOLUNTARY  
JUDITH BROWN, PIANO

ANONYMOUS FROM CUTLER & JOHNSON'S  
AMERICAN CHURCH VOLUNTARIES, 1856

10:00 AM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

PRAISE GOD, ALL YOU NATIONS

"DA N'ASE"

BAILEY LLEWELLYN, MIKAYLA AND ZACH DODGE

Praise God, all you nations, People of God, sing praise!

God's love is great and endures forever.

Praise God, all you nations, People of God sing praise!

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

When we were low,

**God raised us up.**

When we were weak,

**God made us strong.**

When we were weeping,

**God brought us joy.**

In all seasons and all places,

**God is our refuge. Let us worship!**

Let us pray -

O God, you send us out into the world as your disciples. Allow the church to be a healing presence, a place and a people that live out the essence of your kingdom, here and now; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever. Amen.

### \* HYMN #20

ALL THINGS BRIGHT AND BEAUTIFUL

"ROYAL OAK"

CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in all our celebration, fireworks, parades, and gatherings we have proclaimed liberty and freedom. Yet our hearts are chained by anger, doubt, terror, and fear. We live in those chains, often not knowing that there is really any other way. We have become accustomed to our imprisonment. Forgive us when we turn away from your freeing love. Help us to place our trust in you and serve you by working with others for peace and hope for all. These things we ask in Jesus' Name. 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

PSALM 30:1-12

I will extol thee, O LORD, for thou hast drawn me up, and hast not let my foes rejoice over me.

<sup>2</sup>O LORD my God, I cried to thee for help, and thou hast healed me.

<sup>3</sup>O LORD, thou hast 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 saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

<sup>5</sup>For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may tarry 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 thy favor, O LORD, thou hadst established me as a strong mountain; thou didst hide thy face, I was dismayed.

<sup>8</sup>To thee, 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 thee? Will it tell of thy faithfulness?”

<sup>10</sup>Hear, O LORD, and be gracious to me! O LORD, be thou my helper!”

<sup>11</sup>Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing; thou hast loosed my sackcloth and girded me with gladness,

<sup>12</sup>that my soul may praise thee and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to thee for ever.

## ANTHEM

OCEANS (*WHERE FEET MAY FAIL*) MATT CROCKER, JOEL HOUSTON & SOLOMON LIGTHELM  
BAILEY LLEWELLYN, SOPRANO; ZACH DODGE, GUITAR

You call me out upon the waters,  
the great unknown where feet may fail,  
And there I find you in the mystery,  
in oceans deep, my faith will stand.  
And I will call upon Your name and  
keep my eyes above the waves.  
When oceans rise, my soul will rest in Your embrace  
for I am Yours and You are mine.  
Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders,  
let me walk upon the waters wherever You would call me.  
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander and  
my faith will be made stronger in the presence of my Saviour.  
Oh Jesus, yeah, My God.  
I will call upon Your name,  
keep my eyes above the waves.  
My soul will rest in Your embrace.  
I am Yours and You are mine.

## SECOND READING

LUKE 10:1-11, 16-20

10 After this the Lord appointed seventy others, and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to come. <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go your way; behold, I send you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and salute no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' <sup>6</sup>And if a son of peace is there, your peace shall rest upon him; but if not, it shall return to you. <sup>7</sup>And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages; do not go from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup>heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off against you; nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.'

<sup>16</sup>"He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me, and he who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

<sup>17</sup>The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" <sup>18</sup>And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup>Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

## SERMON

"CHALLENGING PROSPECTS"

REV. ALISON PETERS

## \* HYMN #753

MAKE ME A CHANNEL OF YOUR PEACE

"PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS"

## INVITATION TO OFFERING

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

## OFFERTORY

ALLEGRO  
JUDITH BROWN, PIANO

ALEXANDER REINAGLE (1756-1809)  
FROM AMERICAN KEYBOARD MUSIC

## \* 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.

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

## 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, the gifts we found at this table leave us profoundly grateful. We know that you continue to provide and we continue to grow into the people you call us to be. Take us from this place, ready to serve. Lift us with your spirit and show us the places you need us to go. Through Christ our Lord, Amen.

\* HYMN #719

COME, LABOR ON

“ORA LABORA”

\* 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

PRESIDENT ADAMS GRAND MARCH  
JUDITH BROWN, PIANO

FREDERICK DAMISH  
FROM “AMERICAN KEYBOARD MUSIC”

\* 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  
Audio/Video Technicians.....Joe Aurigemma and Eric Ringler  
Ushers.....Sharon & Bob 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 Aurigemma  
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 worshipping and serving our Lord, Jesus Christ. We welcome and encourage worshippers 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. **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:** 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**

<b>ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:</b>	<b>as of June 12, 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	\$77,458.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$76,066.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 1,391.00

**PIPE ORGAN NEWS:** Our Pipe Organ is down, however the problem is not related to the Organ Console Project under contract with Lewis & Hitchcock. The 5 HP electric motor which powers our rotary wind bellows failed on Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup> while Nancy Hodges was practicing. Under supervision of Bob Courtney and Belt Construction Personnel, the 450 lb. motor was removed and delivered to IM Motors of Fort Ashby, WV for repairs. This motor was last repaired in 1985 and we hope this repair will last another 40 years.

Progress continues on our Organ Console Rebuild Project as Judie Brown, our Director of Music/Organist, spent much of May fine tuning the specifications and controls desired to make our new organ console very functional and user friendly. All of these specifications were sent to Syndyne Corporation of California who will build our sound-state relay and control system and engrave our draw knobs and control plates.

The organ console cabinet is being modified for the new controls and will be re-finished in July, by Ballen Furniture Services of Beltsville, MD. It is anticipated all components will be installed in the console cabinet in August, with installation of the new console taking place in September.

Our Organ Campaign ended on May 31<sup>st</sup> and we are excited to report that \$93,100 was raised. All funds remaining after completing the organ console rebuild and organ repairs will be added to the Organ Endowment Fund to be used for yearly maintenance and tuning of the organ. We are most grateful for the overwhelming support from our congregation and friends of First Church who supported this campaign. We are especially thankful to Kathy Getty for her leadership of this campaign.

Again, thank you for your generous support of this campaign.

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

**HAPPY 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY TO POLLY EYLER!!** Tomorrow, July 4, Polly will be celebrating her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. Please sign the card in the back of the sanctuary to join us in celebrating Polly on her special day.

**FIRST SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP:** There will NOT be a First Sunday Fellowship gathering following worship today due to the holiday weekend. We will gather on Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> after worship.

**THANK YOU:** Thank you for the cards and prayers during this difficult time for my family. Your care and support means a lot to us. -Renee Kiddy and family

**SIGHTS & SOUNDS TRIP:** The trip to Sight and Sound Theatre will be September 24<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 3<sup>rd</sup> to ensure your ticket.** If you have any questions, feel free to email Mikayla Dodge.

**FAITH FORMATION**  
**RULING ELDERS: JOSH GILHART & KATIE ROSS**

**PENN APLS FELLOWSHIP GATHERING:** It is not too late to sign up for our *SPECIAL GATHERING at PENN ALPS* on **Saturday, July 9th, starting at 11:30 AM**. It will be a time for fun, spiritual growth, fellowship and a feast. (A buffet lunch will be provided by the Faith Formation Committee at no cost to participants.) After lunch Katie Ross will present a devotion. Then we will break into small groups and share with each other some thoughts and events in our lives. The goal is to get to know each other better. For those wishing to carpool, we will meet at the church at 10:50 AM. We should then head for home around 2:30 PM.

If you are interested and have not yet signed up, please let Brittany know if you wish to attend and if you want to carpool.

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Join us on July 30th at 4:00 PM for an Evening discussing the Psalms with Pittsburgh Theological Seminary professor and author, Rev. Dr. Jerome Creach. Dinner will be provided and childcare can be available if requested in advance.

Please RSVP using the QR Code below or by calling the church office.



**WORSHIP & MUSIC**  
**RULING ELDERS: SHARON KAZARY & MIKE LEVITAS**

**HOME COMMUNION:** If you are an ordained elder in the Presbyterian Church and wish to help serve home communion, please call or e-mail Brittany and give her your name and contact information.

We would like to begin serving home communion again this fall. There will be a training session in August.