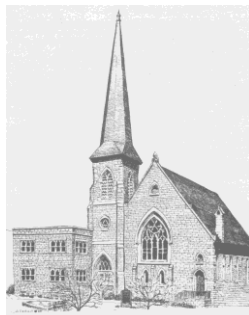


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11 WASHINGTON STREET CUMBERLAND, MD 21502



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY OCTOBER 9, 2022 11:00 AM

OPENING VOLUNTARY

ANDANTINO GRAZIOSO
JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

CAMILLE SAINT-SAENS (1835-1921)

11:00 AM

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

I REJOICED WHEN I HEARD THEM SAY
THE SANCTUARY CHOIR

"ENGLAND"

I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to the house of God."
And now our feet are standing in your gates, O Jerusalem.
Shalom, shalom, the peace of God be here.
Shalom, shalom, God's justice be ever near.
For the love of my friends and kin I will bless you with signs of peace.
For the love of God's own people I will labor and pray for you.
Shalom, shalom, the peace of God be here.
Shalom, shalom, God's justice be ever near.

* CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth.

Sing glory to God and praise the Lord!

Come and see what God has done:

How awesome are the deeds among mortals!

Bless the Lord, O peoples,

Let the sound of God's praise be heard!

Truly God has listened;

God has given heed to the words of our prayer.

Let us pray -

Holy One, we come within the gates of your heavenly dominion and enter your courts with our praise. You are God whose splendor fills the temple; our eyes behold the signs of your steadfast love. With our hands cleansed through the forgiveness of Jesus we shall go about your holy place singing songs of thanksgiving. Your works are wondrous and worthy of tribute; hear our rejoicing as we lift before you our humble adoration. Amen.

* HYMN #610

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

"AZMON"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, so often we take you for granted. We take for granted that you will answer our prayers, that you will heal us and make us whole. We take for granted that you love us.

Forgive us for not appreciating your grace and presence in our lives. Help us to be more thankful. Give us faith to see you in everything and everyone around us, so that we may be truly grateful. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

RESPONSE #423

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART (Verse 1)

"SARADAY"

Create in me a clean heart, O God; create in me a clean heart, O God;
create in me a clean heart, Oh God, and renew a right spirit within me.

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

SCRIPTURE READING

PSALM 66:1-12

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;² sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

³Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

⁴All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name." *Selah*

⁵Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

⁶He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There we rejoiced in him,

⁷ who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations- let the rebellious not exalt themselves. *Selah*

⁸Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard,

⁹who has kept us among the living and has not let our feet slip.

¹⁰For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.

¹¹You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs;

¹²you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water;
yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.

ANTHEM

COME, LIFT YOUR HEARTS ON HIGH!
THE JOYBELLS

MICHAEL RYAN

SECOND READING

LUKE 17:11-19

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten men with a skin disease approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus's^h feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? So where are the other nine?" ¹⁸Did none of them return to give glory to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

SERMON

"ONE OF THESE THINGS..."

VEDA GILL

* HYMN #797

WE CANNOT MEASURE HOW YOU HEAL

"YE BANKS AND BRAES"

MISSION IN A MINUTE

THIS CHILD HERE

ROBERT GAMBLE

INVITATION TO OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY SOLO

HORNPIPE
JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

SAMUEL WESLEY (1766-1837)

* DOXOLOGY #648

THANKFUL HEARTS AND VOICES RAISE

“THANKFUL HEARTS”

Thankful hearts and voices raise; tell everyone what God has done.
Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and bear the name of Christ.
Send us with your promises and lead your people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving.
Alleluia, alleluia.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE CONCLUDING WITH 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.

* HYMN #339

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

“FAITHFULNESS”

* 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

TRUMPET VOLUNTARY
JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

HENRY HERON (18TH CENTURY)

* 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.....Josh Gilhart
Director of Music Ministries.....Judith Brown
Director of the JoyBells.....Julie Courtney
Musicians..... The Sanctuary Choir & The JoyBells
Audio/Video Technicians.....Joe Aurigemma and Eric Ringler
Ushers.....David Stickler and Kathy Dowell

A NEIGHBORLY MASK POLICY: Masks may be worn as needed. We respect everyone's decision to protect their own health as needed. As good neighbors, we honor each individual's choice and will respect each other.

CALLING ALL ARTISTS - HELP NEEDED! Pastor Alison is looking for artists to help with this year's advent season theme. If you like to do art in any form, please email her for more information at revalisonpeters@gmail.com.

OUR STAFF

Teaching Elder/Pastor.....Rev. Alison Peters
Director of Music MinistriesJudith 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 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: 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 October 2, 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	\$135,201.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$132,289.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 2,911.00

CONGREGATIONAL CARE & OUTREACH

RULING ELDERS: MIKAYLA DODGE & SUSAN MILLS

PASTORAL CARE & EMERGENCY OUTREACH RESPONSE PLAN: If an emergency situation occurs and pastoral or congregational care is needed, contact Brittany at the church office. If Pastoral care is needed, Pastor Alison will be available by appointment.

If extra help is requested (meals, rides, grocery trips, etc.) or if someone will be in the hospital or home care for a while and would like cards, visitors, phone calls, Brittany will contact congregational care and outreach to assist. You can also request to be added to the prayer chain.

FAITH FORMATION

RULING ELDERS: JOSH GILHART & KATIE ROSS

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Join us on **Sunday mornings at 10:00 AM** as we explore the Psalms and other lectionary scriptures together in our weekly adult Sunday School program. Learn, grow, and develop relationships with your sisters and brothers in Christ.

THE FRANCISCAN WAY STUDY: Join Rev. Martha McGill & Rev. Alison Peters on **Thursday evenings at 5:30 PM (October 13th-November 17th)** in the Gathering Place at First Presbyterian Church for this 6 week study to learn more about spiritual practices for living with hope in a troubled world.

To RSVP for the Weekend Retreat or the Franciscan Way Study, fill out the form below and place in the offering plate.

Name: _____

I would like to attend:

Franciscan Way Study _____

MISSION
RULING ELDERS: AARON HENDRICKSON & BRENDA LUGER

UNION RESCUE MISSION DONATIONS ACCEPTED: If you would like to give directly to the Union Rescue Mission during offering time, please denote this on your check or envelope and place it in the offering plate or mail to church. We will make sure your donation goes to where you want it to.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

MONDAY, OCTOBER (10)

8:30 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
4:45 PM ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE MEETING IN THE PARLOR
7:00 PM CHORAL SOCIETY REHEARSAL IN THE GATHERING PLACE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER (11)

8:30 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
5:00 PM FAITH FORMATION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER (12)

8:30 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN
10:30 AM STAFF MEETING IN REV. PETERS OFFICE
6:30 PM JOYBELLS REHEARSAL
7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
7:30 PM SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAY, OCTOBER (13)

8:30 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

FRIDAY, OCTOBER (14)

8:30 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

SATURDAY, OCTOBER (15)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER (16)

10:00 AM ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY