

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
Second Sunday after Epiphany

January 17, 2021

10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Words of Welcome

Prelude

"Jig Fugue"

Dietrich Buxtehude

Call to Worship

Come and see the grace of God,

Christ our teacher and our friend.

Come and see the son of God,

Christ our healer and salvation.

God is moving in this place.

Come and see! Come and see.

Hymn 450

"Be Thou My Vision"

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.
- 3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise; thou, mine inheritance, now and always; thou and thou only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 4 High King of Heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God,

you call us to proclaim the gospel,

but we remain silent in the presence of evil.

You call us to be reconciled to you and one another,

but we are content to live in separation.

You call us to seek the good of all,

but we fail to resist the powers of oppression.

You call us to fight pretensions and injustice,

but we sit idly by, endangering the lives of people far and near.

Forgive us, O Lord.

Reconcile us to you by the power of your Spirit,

and give us the courage and strength to be reconciled to others;

through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Gospel Lesson: John 1:43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Psalter: Psalm 139 (Hymnal 28)

- 1 You are before me, Lord, you are behind, and over me you have spread out your hand; such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too high to grasp, too great to understand.
- 2 Then from your Spirit where, Lord, shall I go; and from your presence where, Lord, shall I fly? If I ascend to heaven you are there, and still are with me if in hell I lie.
- 3 If I should take my flight into the dawn, if I should dwell on ocean's farthest shore, your mighty hand will rest upon me still, and your right hand will guard me evermore.
- 4 If I should say, "Let darkness cover me, and I shall hide within the veil of night," surely the darkness is not dark to you: the night is as the day, the darkness light.
- 5 Search me, O God; search me and know my heart; try me, O God; my mind and spirit try; keep me from any path that gives you pain, and lead me in the everlasting way.

A Time with Children

Epistle Lesson: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

Sermon: "Thinking About Your Body"

Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn 27

"Sacred the Body"

- 1 Sacred the body God has created, temple of Spirit that dwells deep inside.
Cherish each person; nurture relation. Treat flesh as holy, that love may abide.
- 2 Bodies are varied, made in all sizes, pale, full of color; both fragile and strong.
Holy the difference, gift of the Maker, so let us honor each story and song.
- 3 Love respects persons, bodies and boundaries. Love does not batter, neglect, or abuse.
Love touches gently, never coercing. Love leaves the other with power to choose.
- 4 Holy of holies, God ever loving, make us your temples; indwell all we do.
May we be careful, tender and caring, so may our bodies give honor to you.

Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offering

Offertory

"Air"

Gordon Young

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

GO IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn 720

"Jesus Calls Us"

- 1 Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, "Christian, follow me."
- 2 Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us, saying, "Christian, love me more."
- 3 In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love me more than these."
- 4 Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thy obedience, serve and love thee best of all.

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

"A Celebration Fanfare"

Stephen Best

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Sunday coffee hour after worship, virtual edition, is back. Join us on ZOOM following Sunday's service.

Wednesday evening Bible study continues January 20, at 7:00 pm. Join in as Rev. Carter presents "*Wintering in Corinth*", to coincide with his winter sermon series. [Join with Zoom](#)

-- CAMP LACKAWANNA IS ACCEPTING REGISTRATIONS--

Summer Camp 2021 Registration is open! Head on over to camplackawanna.org to see what programs we are offering this summer and sign your children up for camp! Family Camp registration is also open! If you have any questions please email camplackwanna.director@gmail.com.

Scholarships are available from Christian Education committee. Check with Jana Schillinger for details.

DATES	CAMP	AGE GROUP
June 24-27	Family Camp	All Ages
June 28-30	Mini Camp	Ages 6-10
July 4-10	Wet n' Wild	Ages 7-16
July 11-17	Music, Arts and Drama	Ages 7-16
July 11-24	JH/SR 2-week	Completed grades 6-11
July 18-24	Adventure Camp	Completed grades 6-10
July 25-31	Night Owls	Completed grades 3-10
August 1-7	Camp Olympics	Ages 7-16

Tips for These Days

- There is normally a link to the worship broadcast on **the church's Facebook page**. **Please note:** the video takes a while to process after the live broadcast, so if you sign on late and can't find the video right away, try again on that page by mid-afternoon. Thanks for your patience.
- Check our church's **website** regularly for updates. Here is the link: **<http://fpccs.org/>**
- The **worship bulletin** for every Sunday is also available on the **church website**. We will include lyrics to the hymns so you can sing along at home.
- We have set up **a prayer request link** which resembles our weekly prayer cards. Send along your prayer requests and we will try to include them in our Sunday services.
- Thank you for your **strong financial support!** There is a link on our webpage for electronic contributions. You are also invited to drop off your contributions at the church office during working hours or send them to 300 School Street, Clarks Summit, PA 18411. We appreciate your generosity, especially in this difficult time for everybody.
- **Our building is bustling -- one person at a time!** Feel free to read a book or check out a DVD from our church library, pray or play the piano in the sanctuary, or have a free cup of coffee with the pastor (who will keep six feet away). No groups, please, but Masked Individuals are welcome in limited numbers whenever the building is open. **Stir-Crazy People** are especially invited.
- **Nancy Wants You To Know:** 2021 Offering Envelopes are ready for pick up in the main hallway.

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