First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 6, 2022 10:00 a.m.

Faithful God, you have appointed us your witnesses, to be light that shines in the world. Let us not hide the bright hope you have given us, but tell everyone your love, revealed in Jesus Christ the Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

In preparation for worship, please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Words of Welcome

Prelude "Let Us Break Bread Together" arr. Marianne Kim

Call to Worship Isaiah 43:1, 3

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

For I am the LORD your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

* Hymn 1 "Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

- * Call to Confession
- * Prayer of Confession

O Lord our God,

you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires.

You call us to seek justice and peace,

but we are satisfied with injustice and discord.

You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed,

but we do not insist on freedom for all.

Forgive us, O Lord.

Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

- * Silent Confession
- * Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace
- * Response (Hymnal 584)

Glory, glory! Glory be to God on high. (repeat)
And on earth peace to all people in whom God is well pleased. (repeat)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Isaiah 6:1-13 (OT, p. 635)

Psalter: Psalm 138 (Hymnal 334)

A Time with Children

Gospel Lesson: Luke 5:1-11 (NT, p. 62) Sermon: "Not Worthy But Wanted"

Winter Series: Life After Baptism

Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 170 "You Walk Along Our Shoreline"

* 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

"Lamb of God"

arr. John Carter

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Prayers of the People and 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.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 69 "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude "The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing" arr. Aaron David Miller

If you are leaving before the postlude is finished, please do so quietly.

The flowers have been given to the glory of God by John Conklin.

^{*} All who are able shall stand.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor Rev. William G. Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth Jana Schillinger
Director of Music Frank Jones
Organist Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist Jan Thyren
Usher Anne Rich



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

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Church Family Announcements

Thank you for joining us for Worship. We worship every Sunday in two ways!

- Promise to wear a face mask? No covid-related symptoms for the past 14 days? Willing to have your temperature taken at the door? **Join us in person at 10:00 am.** (Reservations are no longer necessary.)
- **Tune in online** for our weekly service, which is broadcast live on <u>our video page on YouTube</u> and archived for later viewing on the same site.

Our Session requires masks for all worship services, meetings, and group events in the church building. Temperature checks will continue at church gatherings, and social distancing will be encouraged. We believe in the effectiveness of the covid-19 vaccinations and urge everybody to get vaccinated against covid-19.

If all of us can choose restraint and pursue public health, we have a better chance for stopping the spread of the virus and its variants. In the words of St. Paul, "Do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'" (Galatians 5:13-14)

Our sanctuary is open for prayer whenever the building is open.

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of First Presbyterian Church of Clarks Summit will be held following worship on Sunday, February 13, 2022. The meeting will take place live in the sanctuary and on the online platform ZOOM. Check our website for the link to participate from home. Annual Reports are available at the church and online.



Our next Arts Event: Music for Midwinter

(rescheduled from January 16)

Sunday, February 6, 4:00 p.m.

Talented artists will warm our winter air. Nathaniel Worrell, a student at Valley View High School, will offer a dazzling program of classical piano music. Mike Carbone, music professor at Binghamton University, will offer a set of chamber music for soprano saxophone, accompanied by pianist Bill Carter.



Do you have a college student? The Deacons would like to send them a goodie box to break the winter monotony. If you will forward the student's name and complete mailing address to Grace Farrell (570-878-7396 / glee1124@yahoo.com) or the church office (office@fpccs.org / 570-586-6306), we'll be happy to make that happen.

"The Way" Adult Education - The Bible Tells Me So: Why Defending Scripture Has Made Us Unable to Read It, based on the book by Peter Enns. What if the Bible is fine just the way it is? What if the Bible doesn't need to be protected and defended, but understood – just as it is? When we let the Bible be the Bible (rather than what we expect it ought to be), we find a deeper faith in the process. You can order the book from any bookstore. Wednesdays, 6 p.m., room 206.

Thank you for your **strong financial support!** There is a link on our web site <u>to contribute online</u>. You may drop off your contributions at the church office during working hours or send them to 300 School Street, Clarks Summit, PA 18411. To contribute by cell phone, **scan here.** We appreciate your generosity, especially in this difficult time.



Meetings this week

Sunday, February 6	10 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
	11:15 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Room 206
	4 p.m.	Arts Series "Music for MidWinter"	
			Sanctuary
Tuesday, February 8	10 a.m.	MBK Quilters	Fellowship Hall
	7 p.m.	Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Wednesday, February 9	10:30 a.m.	Prayer and Share	Room 209
	6 p.m.	The Way Adult Bible Study	Room 206
	7:15 p.m.	Adult Choir	Sanctuary
Saturday, February 12	2 p.m.	Rehearsal	Sanctuary
Sunday, February 13	10 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
	11:15	Confirmation Class	Room 206

Reminder: here is our Bad Weather Policy, in two parts:

- We never cancel worship, but we don't want anybody to risk their safety or warmth. Stay home if the weather is dangerous or gives you anxiety. Tune in!
- We will close the office on a weekday if the Abington Heights school district is closed.