



First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

June 16, 2024

10:00 a.m.

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

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Hymn Sing (9:45)

Hymns to God the Creator: 32, 24, 412

Words of Welcome

Prelude

“As the Deer”

arr. Douglas Wagner

Call to Worship

from Revelation 1:4-6

Grace to you and peace

from him who is and who was and who is to come.

All praise to Christ who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood,

who made us a kingdom of priests serving his God and Father.

To God be glory and dominion forever and ever.

Amen!

* Hymn 394

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

on Revelation 2-3

Holy God,

we have abandoned our love for you and one another.

Fear has shaken our faithfulness,

as we have compromised with voices that lead us astray.

We are beguiled by corrupt teaching,

and we overlook the acts of evil that you deplore.

Have mercy on us.

Ignite our hearts and grant us clarity of vision,

that we would turn from the works of destruction

and love you with undivided hearts.

Through Christ, we pray.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace

* Response 447 “We Are Forgiven”

We are forgiven! We are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Mark 4:26-34 (NT, pg. 38)

Psalter: Psalm 138 (Hymnal 334)

A Time with Children

Second Lesson: Revelation 2:18-29 (NT, pg. 246)

Sermon: “Tolerating Jezebel”

Rev. Carter

Summer Series: Seven Stars in the Hand of Christ

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 378

“We Wait the Peaceful Kingdom”

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles’ Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

Offering

Offertory “Lord, I Lift Your Name on High” arr. Douglas Wagner

* Doxology (606)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 370

“This Is My Father’s World”

* Charge and Benediction

* Postlude

“Majesty”

arr. Douglas Wagner

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

* All who are able shall stand.

The flowers have been given by Debbie and Al Traettino to the glory of God and in memory of their fathers and grandfathers.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	Rev. William Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Connie Weiss
Ushers	Betsy Ellis and Bill Farrell

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Church Family Announcements

Our congregation worships God, equips God's people for ministry in the world, and serves God in ways that are faithful to the Gospel.

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

- **Join us in person at 10:00 a.m.**
- **Tune in online** for our service, which is broadcast live and archived for later viewing on our website, fpccs.org.
- Please use the **red attendance pads** to record your presence today.
- **Large-print bulletins** are located at the rear of the sanctuary.

The Nursery is open Sunday mornings from 9:40-11:10 a.m. for children ages 3 and younger in room 208. The nursery is staffed by Heather Lyons.

Bible Time, our program for children (age 4 to approx. grade 4), is taking a summer break and will resume in the fall.

Training for Vacation Bible School leaders and helpers is scheduled for Saturday, June 22 at 9 a.m. and Wednesday, June 26 at 6 p.m. It is important that everyone attend **one** of these sessions.

Can you offer snacks and sweets for a **summer coffee hour after worship?** Karen White (570-575-7005) would be happy to take your name. She's preparing a schedule.

Tell us your prayer concerns. Prayer Request Cards are in the pew racks. Pass them to the center aisle to be collected during the first hymn.

Please pray for: Hall, Janet, Patty, Barb, Tami, Margaret, Kathy, Hannah, Tom, Dick, Chris, Rick, Brian, Len, Joyce, Staci, Travis, Darlene, Edward, Irena, Maureen, Bentley, Nate, Kay, Kelly, Jamie, Judy, Renee, Dave, John, Clyde, Denise, Sawyer, Dawn, Bill S., Rebecca T., June, Marion, Nancy J., Debbie S., family and friends of Todd Frick.

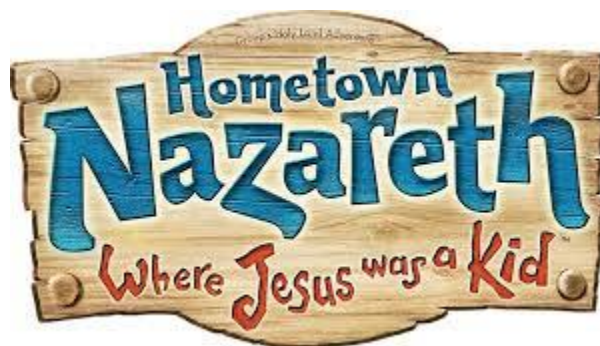
Are you interested in taking a CPR and defibrillator training class, like the one offered last fall? If yes, contact JoAnn at jodihall@nep.net or 570-806-1591. If there is sufficient response, a class will be scheduled.

Enjoy a Parking Lot Picnic on Sunday, June 30, following worship. If wonderful aromas are filling the sanctuary during the sermon on June 30, you'll know that the grills have been fired up to cook hot dogs and hamburgers for our picnic. Come down after church for a little fun, fellowship and fine food!

Take Me Out to the Ball Game! We will be going to a Rail Riders game on **Friday, August 2**. The game starts at 6:30. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. **Tickets are \$13** (for children and adults). **Please pay Betty Keen by July 21.**

Some of our church leaders are exploring the possibility of creating a **Mobile Food Pantry** out of our church to distribute food for 25 or more households once a month. Want to find out more? We are planning an information session early next month. Watch this space for more details.

We are grateful for the many ways that people support our church's ministry to the community and world. If you wish to contribute by cell phone, scan here.



**We're planning for Vacation Bible School!
It's July 15-19, 9 a.m. to noon.
We need YOU to make this happen!**

If you'd like to help children explore

“Hometown Nazareth – Where Jesus was a Kid!”

by teaching, leading or preparing,
let us know! Please contact Jana
Schillinger or send an email to
“fpccs.vbs@gmail.com”.



Children age 4 thru completion of Grade 5 are invited to
VBS and may be enrolled at “myvbs.org/fpccs”.

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This Week at a Glance

Sunday, June 16

- **9:45 a.m.**, Summer Hymn sing
- **10 a.m.**, Worship in the sanctuary and online

Monday, June 17

- **10:30 a.m.**, Board of Pensions program, room 206

Tuesday, June 18

- **10 a.m.**, Women's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 19

- **10:30 a.m.**, Prayer and Share, room 209

Thursday, June 20

- **8:30 a.m.**, Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, room 206
- **2 p.m.**, Sr. Game Day, Fellowship Hall

Friday, June 21

Saturday, June 22

- **9 a.m.**, Vacation Bible School Training, room 206

Sunday, June 23

- **9:45 a.m.**, Summer Hymn sing
- **10 a.m.**, Worship in the sanctuary and online

Later this summer – Check your newsletters for information!

- June 30 – Parking Lot Picnic
- July 15-19 – Vacation Bible School
- August 2 – Rail Riders' game

Summer office hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays.

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