



WE BID ALL who have come to worship a warm welcome in the name of Jesus Christ! If you do not have a church home, we invite you to become part of this community of faith and learn about what it means to follow Jesus Christ. Please join us for summer worship Sunday mornings at **10:00**. Find more info at: [www.firstprescarlisle.org](http://www.firstprescarlisle.org).

~ **ANNOUNCEMENTS** ~

**TODAY, serving in worship:**

**Reader:** Vicki McLaughlin  
**Greeters/Ushers:** Richard & Debbie Bressler; Mary Jane Blosser  
**Fellowship Hosts:** Bob & Judie Read  
**Video Recorder:** Joe Shane  
**Audio Recorder:** Ray Thomas

**THIS WEEK, in our prayers:**

\* **in the presbytery:** Lost Creek (McAlisterville); Rev. Graham Fowler  
 \* **in the community:** Carlisle Church of Christ (Walnut Bottom Rd.)  
 \* **in the congregation (at random):** Dan & Bonnie Dearthoff;  
 Ryan, Laura, Duncan, Delaney & Darian Crim

**THIS WEEK, in the life of the church:**

~ See "Prelude to Liberty" events schedule

**NEXT SUNDAY.....8<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST.....JULY 14<sup>th</sup>**

> **10:00 AM:** Authentic colonial worship service  
 > **After worship:** Fellowship Time  
 > **7 PM:** Concert by "Simple Gifts" (sanctuary)

**DONATED SHOES.** The Philanthropic Educational Organization (PEO) thanks you for your support of their fundraising efforts. Today is the last day to donate your unwanted shoes, which will be sold in marketplaces of developing nations to help feed, clothe and house needy families. *Thanks!*

**FELLOWSHIP OF HOSPITALITY.** Several summer Sundays are available for hosts. Please sign up today in Fellowship Hall.

**DINING WITH THE DEACONS:** Please hold the date **July 18** (place TBA).



**Members of the Congregation, Ministers**  
 The Rev. Anthony D. Lorenz, Pastor  
 The Rev. Jon A. Black, Pastor Emeritus  
 Debby Madden, Educator Emerita  
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"Prelude to Liberty"

We have begun a celebration of a very important milestone in the life of our church. On July 12, 1774, freeholders of Cumberland County met here to offer support for their compatriots in Boston against the tyranny of Great Britain. The resolutions they passed here showed strong support for independence, a full two years before the Declaration was signed.

This week's events:

**Friday, July 12, 7 PM:** "Sanctuary No Sanctuary: Patriots & Conspirators in Revolutionary Carlisle" – a presentation by local historian Jeff Wood. *(reception follows)*

**Sunday, July 14, 10 AM:** An authentic colonial church service, led by Pastor Lorenz

**Sunday, July 14, 7 PM:** A concert by *Simple Gifts*, renowned Central PA folk musicians, featuring music of the colonial period

All events will be held at First Presbyterian Church,  
 and are free and open to the public.  
 Please join in this celebration – the "Prelude to Liberty"  
 in Cumberland County.

First Presbyterian Church  
 On-the-Square  
 Carlisle, Pennsylvania



July 7, 2024

10:00 a.m.

The Seventh Sunday  
 after Pentecost

## ORDER FOR WORSHIP

### GATHERING

PRELUDES  
*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*  
*Lord, Here Am I*  
*America the Beautiful*

Richard Tritt, organ  
Hustad  
Beck/Page  
Ward/Page

~ GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

*I Have Decided to Follow Jesus* Baldrige

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 146, selected)

Praise the LORD!  
Praise the LORD, O my soul!  
**I will praise the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,  
whose hope is in the LORD their God.

**The LORD will reign forever,  
your God, O Zion, for all generations.  
Praise the Lord!**

\* HYMN #461 – “God Is Here!”

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You asked for my hands, Lord,  
that you might use them for your purpose.  
I gave them for a moment, then withdrew them,  
for the work was hard.  
You asked for my mouth, Lord,  
to speak out against injustice.  
I gave you a whisper that I might not be accused.  
You asked for my eyes, Lord,  
to see the pain of poverty.  
I closed them, for I did not want to see.  
You asked for my life, Lord,  
that you might work through me.  
I gave a small part, that I might not get too involved.  
Lord, forgive my calculated efforts to serve you –  
only when it is convenient for me to do so,  
only in those places where it is safe to do so,  
and only with those who make it easy to do so.  
Father, forgive me, renew me, send me out  
as a usable instrument, that I might take seriously  
the meaning of your cross. AMEN**

(silent confession . . . )

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\* RESPONSE #579 – “Gloria Patri”

\* PASSING THE PEACE

Just as God has forgiven us in Christ Jesus, let us also forgive  
one another and offer signs of peace and reconciliation.  
The peace of Christ be with you, **and also with you.**  
(Extend a word of peace with one another . . . )

### PROCLAIMING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Lord God,  
you have declared that your kingdom is among us.  
Open our eyes to see it, our ears to hear it,  
our hearts to hold it, our hands to serve it.  
This we pray in Jesus’ name. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON Psalm 146 (O.T., p. 581)  
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

SPECIAL MUSIC *Three Good Shepherd Songs* Powell  
Brenda Long, flute

SECOND LESSON Galatians 3:1-14 (N.T., p. 188)  
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

SERMON “Faith Forward” Rev. Lorenz

HYMN #326 – “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

\* THE APOSTLES’ CREED (Traditional)

**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**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER (p. 16, blue hymnal)

## GIVING THANKS

OFFERING OURSELVES  
Offertory *Simple Gifts* Spong

\* RESPONSE #592 – “Praise God”

\* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Almighty God,  
giver of every good and perfect gift,  
teach us to render to you  
all that we have and all that we are,  
that we may praise you,  
not only with our lips, but with our whole lives,  
turning the duties, the sorrows,  
and the joys of all our days  
into a living sacrifice to you,  
through our Savior, Jesus Christ. AMEN**

### SENDING

\* HYMN (insert) – “God of Our Fathers”

\* BENEDICTION

\* CLOSING RESPONSE #535 – “Go with Us, Lord”

**“Go with us, Lord, and guide the way  
Through this and every coming day.  
That in Your Spirit strong and true  
Our lives may be our gift to You.”**

\* POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune in F* Baldrige

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\* indicates please stand, if able  
BOLD indicates ALL read  
Children’s Worship Bulletins are available; an usher can assist you



*You are invited to remain after worship* to enjoy conversation and light refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

*Today, we thank Richard Tritt and Brenda Long* for sharing their musical talent with us.