



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. Find more info at: www.firstprescarlisle.org.

Announcements

Today's beautiful flowers are presented by Deb Ryerson to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jim Stanfield, whose 88th birthday would have been today.

Today, after worship, please come to Fellowship Hall for a time of conversation and light refreshments. We will celebrate September birthdays!

Today, after worship, the Prayer Community meets. All are welcome!

Today, serving in worship:

- Organist: Avis Allen
- Reader: Ray Thomas
- Greeters/Ushers: Richard & Debby Bressler; Brian Carlson
- Fellowship Hosts: Parish Life Committee
- Video Recorder: Joe Shane
- Audio Recorder: Ray Thomas

This week, in our prayers:

- * in the presbytery: Highland United (Newport); Rev. Nancy McClure
- * in the community: Shiloh Baptist (N. West St.)
- * in the congregation (at random): Lee & Marsha Krotseng

This week, in the life of the church:

- + Monday, 2 PM: Faith Circle (Fellowship Hall) (all women invited!)
- + Wednesday, 7 PM: Choir rehearsal
- + Saturday: Downtown Carlisle's "Harvest of the Arts" event

Next Sunday.....16th Sunday after Pentecost.....September 28th

- > 9:15 AM: Prayer, in the sanctuary
- > 9:30 AM: Education hour (study of *Nicene Creed*)
- > 10:45 AM: Worship, Sermon, "Disciples Practice Generosity" (I Tim. 6:6-19)
- > After worship: Fellowship Time



Members of the Congregation, Ministers		Church Officers	
The Rev. Anthony D. Lorenz, Pastor		Elders	Deacons
The Rev. Jon A. Black, Pastor Emeritus		Deb Richcreek	Vicki McLaughlin
Debby Madden, Educator Emerita		Deb Ryerson	Rick Line
Arthur Thompson, Organist		Joe Shane	Kathy Mulvey
Ron Richcreek, Music Director		Nancy Jacoby	Ray Thomas
Avis Allen, Secretary		Charlie Thompson	Barbara Allen
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First Presbyterian Church On-the-Square Carlisle, Pennsylvania



September 21, 2025
10:45 a.m.

The Fifteenth Sunday
after Pentecost

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDES
To Be God’s People arr. Colvin
Where Cross the Crowded Ways Wilson
Savior, Again to Your Dear Name arr. Hobby

~ GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Shepherd Me, O God Haugen

* CALL TO WORSHIP

O people of God, praise the Lord!
Blessed is God’s name forever.

From break of day to setting sun,
let us praise the name of the Lord.

* HYMN #181 – “Come Sing to God”

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sovereign God, we confess
that we have not turned away from sin.
We seek our own self-interest
instead of serving others.
We glorify power and wealth
instead of worshiping you.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Teach us to treasure your gifts
and to seek the good of all,
so that we may be a blessing;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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

Eternal God, Spirit of truth,
as the Word is read and proclaimed,
teach us what we need to know.
Inspire us; breathe in and through us.
Lead us with your fiery presence,
so that we may follow you without fear. AMEN

FIRST LESSON Amos 8:4-7 (O.T., p. 856)
(The Word of the Lord; thanks be to God!)

CHOIR ANTHEM “All Night, All Day” Robinson

SECOND LESSON Luke 16 :1-13 (N.T., p. 79)
(The Word of the Lord; thanks be to God!)

SERMON “Disciples Resist Greed” Rev. Lorenz

* HYMN #408 – “Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life”

* THE NICENE CREED (Ecumenical)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, and of all that is, seen and unseen;
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again with glory to judge
both the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who
proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father
and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. AMEN

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

GIVING THANKS

OFFERING OURSELVES
Offertory Immortal Love, Forever Full Haan

* RESPONSE #592 – “Praise God”

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God, our Father,
with our gifts we offer you our lives
to do your work in the world.
Take our bodies and our minds,
our work and our leisure,
our relationships with other people,
our friendships and our family life,
our dreams and our doubts,
our faith and our plans for the future.
In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord,
we bring them to you. AMEN

SENDING

* HYMN #391 – “Take My Life”

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING RESPONSE #276 (refrain) – “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

“Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!”

* POSTLUDE Prelude in C minor Bach
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* indicates please stand, if able
BOLD indicates ALL read
Children’s Worship Bulletins are available; an usher can assist you

