

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, after worship,* please come to Fellowship Hall for a time of conversation and light refreshments.

### Today, serving in worship:

- Reader: Barb Allen
- Greeters/Ushers: Pat Peffer; Bob Read; Anne Roberts-Samsel
- Fellowship Host: Rick Line- Video Recorder: Joe Shane- Audio Recorder: Ray Thomas

#### This Week, in our prayers:

- \* in the presbytery: Presbyterian Mission Agency in Iraq Info at: <a href="https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/global/iraq/">https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/global/iraq/</a>
- \* in the church: Presbyterian mission co-workers \* in the congregation (at random): Peter Tanyi

### This Week, in the life of the church:

- + Monday, 6:30-9:30 PM: Fellowship Hall in use
- + Tuesday: Veterans' Day
- + Wednesday, 7 PM: Choir rehearsal

**NOTE:** Pastor Tony will be out of the office Wednesday through Friday.

Next Sunday......November 16th

- > 9:15 AM: Prayer, in the sanctuary
- > 9:30 AM: Education hour
- > 10:45 AM: Worship; Sermon, "Disciples Take Their Faith Public" (Isaiah 65:17-25)
- > After worship: Fellowship Time
- > After worship: Prayer Community meets



**Deck the Halls!** The Worship Committee has purchased beautiful new Christmas garlands to adorn our balcony during the Advent season. While we secured a good deal, they still cost us \$2,400. We are hoping that the spirit of the season will encourage some of you to help us defray this cost. You are welcome to donate any amount that you are able. This is a long overdue purchase and one that we know you will appreciate when you see our beautiful sanctuary on the first Sunday of Advent, November 30th.

To donate, please put your check in the offering plate – made payable to <u>First Presbyterian Church</u>, with "Deck the Halls" on the memo line; or mail your donation to the church office at 2A N. Hanover St. Carlisle, PA 17013. We are hoping to receive donations by <u>Sunday</u>, <u>Nov 23</u>. Thank you!



# ~ About Today's Music ~

**Today's choir anthem** "Distant Land" was written by John Rutter shortly after the demolition of the Berlin Wall, and the release of Nelson Mandela from prison in South Africa. It was given to the choir by Deb Ryerson and Linda Mohler, and sung in worship on November 20, 2005, dedicated in loving memory of their parents, Betty and John Cline.

- ~ Opening hymn: "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above" was written by Johann Schütz (1675), and titled "Hymn of Thanksgiving." That text referenced Deuteronomy 32:3, "For I will proclaim the name of the Lord; ascribe greatness to our God!". The tune MIT FREUDEN ZART was from the Bohemian Brethren's Kirchengesang (1566).
- ~ Sermon hymn: "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" was written by Samuel Medley. A sermon by Dr. Isaac Watts led to his conversion. Medley was a pastor from 1767 until his death in 1799. Most of his hymns were printed on leaflets or in magazines. The tune DUKE STREET was composed by John Hatton (1710-1793). Very little is known about him, but he was most likely a Presbyterian, and the story goes that he was killed in a stagecoach accident.
- ~ Closing hymn: "O Christ, the Great Foundation" is a Chinese hymn with an original text written by Timothy T'ingfang Lew in 1933. Lew is remembered for his work with Chinese Christian organizations in China and America where he resided from 1941-1947. The tune AURELIA was composed by Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876). He was the oldest of several children born to Samuel Wesley, and the grandson of Charles Wesley. He is considered the greatest composer in the English cathedral tradition. Wesley was fond of fishing and it is said that he chose his church assignments in relation to the fishing possibilities in the area.

(Sources: The Presbyterian Hymnal Companion by LindaJo H. McKim; and www.hymnary.org)



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# First Presbyterian Church On-the-Square Carlisle, Pennsylvania



November 9, 2025 10:45 a.m.

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

# ORDER FOR WORSHIP

## **GATHERING**

**PRELUDES** 

I Know That My Redeemer Lives Children of the Heavenly Father O Christ, the Great Foundation

Pethel Jordan Hustad

~ GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ ~ Minute for Mission ~

Bunessan Callahan

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

**Praise the Lord; our Redeemer lives!** 

Jesus Christ is coming in glory.

**Praise the Lord; our Savior reigns!** 

- \* HYMN #483 "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"
- \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sovereign God, we confess that we have not turned away from sin. We are quickly shaken in our faith and deceived by false prophets. We put our hope in this life only and deny your gift of resurrection. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us true hope and real comfort. Strengthen us in word and deed to proclaim the new life you offer; 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

Our Lord and our God, now as we hear your Word, fill us with your Spirit. **Soften our hearts** that we may delight in your presence. **Sharpen our minds** that we may discern your truth. **Shape our wills** that we may desire your ways; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN

FIRST LESSON

Luke 20:27-38

(N.T., p. 84)

(The Word of the Lord; thanks be to God!)

Rutter

**CHOIR ANTHEM** 

SECOND LESSON

"Distant Land"

(0.T., p. 468)

Job 19:23-37 (The Word of the Lord; thanks be to God!)

**SERMON** "Disciples Live By Faith" Rev. Lorenz

- \* HYMN (insert) "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"
- \* 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

Praise Him

Held

- \* RESPONSE #592 "Praise God"
- \* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

God of all creation. how manifold are your works! You open your hand with generosity and love and our lives are filled with good things. You send your Spirit, giving life to all. We praise you! In giving you these gifts we long to be generous, as you are. By the power of your Spirit let the gifts we give today become a source of life and blessing to others. AMEN

### SENDING

- \* HYMN #443 "O Christ, the Great Foundation"
- \* 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

Old English Hornpipe

Young

\* indicates please stand, if able **BOLD** indicates ALL read

Children's Worship Bulletins are available; an usher can assist you