

Announcements

TODAY, after worship, you are invited to Fellowship Hall for conversation and light refreshments....and to participate in “Blanket Sunday.”

TODAY, serving in worship:

- **Reader:** Lee Krotseng
- **Greeters/Ushers:** Rick Line; Suzanne McKinnon; Susan Palyo
- **Fellowship Hosts:** The Weiser Family
- **Video Recorder:** Joe Shane
- **Audio Recorder:** Ray Thomas

THIS WEEK, in our prayers:

- * **in the presbytery:** Faith Immanuel (Harrisburg); Rev. Caroline Vickery
- * **in the community:** St. Patrick Catholic (E. Pomfret St.)
- * **in the congregation (at random):** Jean Kretzing; Deb Ryerson

THIS WEEK, in the life of the church:

- ~ **Monday, 6-9 PM:** Fellowship Hall in use
- ~ **Wednesday, 7 PM:** Choir rehearsal

NEXT SUNDAY.....SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER.....MAY 17th

- > **9:15 AM:** Prayer, in the sanctuary
- > **9:30 AM:** Education hour
- > **10:45 AM:** Worship; Sermon, “Looking for the Living”
Scripture: Luke 24:44-53 & Acts 1:1-11
- > **After worship:** Fellowship Time (celebrate May birthdays);
Prayer Community meets



Mother’s Day is “Blanket Sunday” at First Church! As is our long-held Mother’s Day tradition, today please visit Fellowship Hall to donate to the purchase of blankets (\$10 each) by Church World Service (CWS) to honor and/or remember beloved women (or anyone!) in your lives. The Deacons are hosting this CWS mission which provides blankets for warmth, as well as support and encouragement to those in dire straits at home and worldwide. Names of those you honor/remember will be shared in a bulletin insert next Sunday.



Are you interested in numbers? Do you keep your checkbook balanced? First Church is looking for someone to join our finance team to work with the Church Treasurer and the Finance Committee. This person would be responsible for producing monthly financial reports for the Session and year-end reports as well, in addition to investment updates. This person would not be responsible for day-to-day items such as paying bills or payroll. If interested, contact Pastor Tony (alorenz.fpcarl@pa.net; 717-243-4612).



Interested in becoming a member of First Church, or simply learning more? If so, a New Members class will be forming soon. Please speak with Pastor Tony if you are interested (alorenz.fpcarl@pa.net; 717-243-4612).



Got a grad? If someone in your family is graduating (from high school, college, trade school, etc.), please let the pastor or church office know so that we can recognize their achievement!



Members of the Congregation, Ministers The Rev. Anthony D. Lorenz, Pastor The Rev. Jon A. Black, Pastor Emeritus Debby Madden, Educator Emerita Arthur Thompson, Organist Ron Richcreek, Music Director Avis Allen, Secretary Chuck Adler, Sexton Office Hours: Mon. & Wed., 10 AM-3 PM Phone: (717) 243-4612; E-mail: fpcarl@pa.net ; Website: www.firstprescarlisle.org	<u>Church Officers</u>	
	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Deacons</u>
	Deb Richcreek	Jim King
	Deb Ryerson	Jeff Whitman
	Tricia Naylor	Danielle Weiser
	Matt Weiser	Barbara Allen
	Charlie Thompson	Mary Jane Blosser
	Susan Palyo	Bruce Ashbaugh
	Lynne Hofferica	Anita Ashbaugh
	Lynda Mann	Pat Pepper
	Vicki McLaughlin	Earlene Heckendorn



First Presbyterian Church On-the-Square Carlisle, Pennsylvania



May 10, 2026

10:45 a.m.

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDES

Jefferson Wood
Bourree in F Telemann
Martyrum Chorus Uehlein

~ GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Heavenly Father Gawthrop

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

**Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.**

* HYMN #139 – “Come, Thou Almighty King”

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Our Father in heaven, we thank you
that you have led us into the light.
We thank you for sending the Savior
to call us from death to life.
We confess that we were dead in sin
before we heard his call,
but when we heard him, like Lazarus, we arose.
But, O Father, the grave clothes bind us still.
They are like old habits that we cannot throw off,
old customs that are so much a part of our lives
that we are helpless to live the new life
that Christ calls us to live.
Give us strength, O Father, to break the bonds;
give us courage to live a new life in you;
give us faith to believe that with your help we cannot fail.
All this we ask in the name of the Risen 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

**Living God, with joy we celebrate
the presence of your risen Word.
Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit
so that we may proclaim the good news
of eternal and abundant life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON Psalm 67 (O.T., p. 529)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

CHOIR ANTHEM “All Night, All Day” Robinson

SECOND LESSON John 14:23-29 (N.T., p. 109)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

SERMON “Hearing and Keeping the Word” Rev. Lorenz

* HYMN #345 – “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

* 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 Gavotte Handel

* RESPONSE #592 – “Praise God”

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Blessed are you,
O Lord our God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness
you have blessed us with many gifts.
With them we offer ourselves to your service
and dedicate our lives to the care
and redemption of all that you have made,
for the sake of him who gave himself for us --
Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN**

SENDING

* HYMN #539 – “Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise”

* BENEDICTION

* CLOSING RESPONSE #122 (*refrain*) – “Thine Is the Glory” **“Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory Thou o’er death hast won.”**

* POSTLUDE Concertina Young

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* indicates please stand, if able

BOLD indicates ALL read

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



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.