

Announcements

TODAY'S FLOWERS are presented by Tracy Sommers to the Glory of God and in loving memory of a perfect and most precious husband, Dick Sommers.

TODAY, after worship, you are invited to Fellowship Hall for conversation and light refreshments to celebrate May birthdays.

TODAY, after worship, the Prayer Community meets.

TODAY, serving in worship:

- **Reader:** Vicki McLaughlin
- **Greeters/Ushers:** Pat Peffer; Bob Read; Matt Weiser
- **Fellowship Hosts:** Parish Life Committee
- **Video Recorder:** Joe Shane
- **Audio Recorder:** Ray Thomas

THIS WEEK, in our prayers:

- * **in the presbytery:** Market Square (Harrisburg); Rev. Stanley Jenkins; Rev. Allison Smith, Associate
- * **in the community:** Bethel Assembly of God (Holly Pike)
- * **in the congregation (at random):** Kari Kornish & Patrick Werner

THIS WEEK, in the life of the church:

- ~ **Monday, 2 PM:** Faith Circle meeting (rescheduled from May 25)
- ~ **Wednesday, 7 PM:** Choir rehearsal
- ~ **Thursday, 8 AM:** Men's Breakfast (Fairground Diner, Spring Rd.)
- ~ **Tuesday, 7 PM:** Session meeting (rescheduled from May 17)

NEXT SUNDAY.....DAY OF PENTECOST/LORD'S SUPPERMAY 24th

- > **9:15 AM:** Prayer, in the sanctuary
- > **9:30 AM:** Education hour
- > **10:45 AM:** Worship, with Communion; Scripture: Numbers 11:24-30 & Acts 2:1-21
- > **After worship:** Fellowship Time
- > **Afternoon:** Home Communion served

LAST SUNDAY, the "Blanket Sunday" mission netted a total of \$1,400, which translates to the purchase of 140 blankets by Church World Service. Thank you for your generosity! The special people you remembered/honored are listed in today's bulletin insert.



Are you interested in becoming a member of First Church, or simply want to learn 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 or college), please let the pastor or church office know so that we can recognize their achievement!



~ **MUSIC SUNDAY.** Sunday, May 31st is Choir Recognition Sunday and "Music Sunday," with an extended choral program. You won't want to miss it!
 ~ **SUMMER HOURS.** On Sunday, June 7th, we will begin our summer worship schedule: 10 AM worship (no Sunday school). We continue this schedule through Labor Day Weekend.



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	Church Officers <table border="0"> <tr> <td><u>Elders</u></td> <td><u>Deacons</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deb Richcreek</td> <td>Jim King</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Deb Ryerson</td> <td>Jeff Whitman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tricia Naylor</td> <td>Danielle Weiser</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Matt Weiser</td> <td>Barbara Allen</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Charlie Thompson</td> <td>Mary Jane Blosser</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Susan Palyo</td> <td>Bruce Ashbaugh</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lynne Hofferica</td> <td>Anita Ashbaugh</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lynda Mann</td> <td>Pat Peffer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Vicki McLaughlin</td> <td>Earlene Heckendorn</td> </tr> </table>	<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 Peffer	Vicki McLaughlin	Earlene Heckendorn
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First Presbyterian Church On-the-Square Carlisle, Pennsylvania



May 17, 2026

10:45 a.m.

The Seventh Sunday of Easter

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

PRELUDES

Air
Showalter
Prelude on an Original Antiphon

Young
Logan
Uehlein

~ GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

Cantilena

Jenkins

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with loud songs of joy.

**For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome,
a great king over all the earth.**

God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

**Sing praises to God, sing praises;
for God is the king of all the earth;
sing praises with a psalm.**

* HYMN #144 – “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!”

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty God,
you have raised Jesus from the grave
and crowned him Lord of all.
We confess that we have not bowed before him
or acknowledged his rule in our lives.
We have gone along with the way of the world
and failed to give him glory.
Forgive us and raise us from sin,
that we may be your faithful people,
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who rules the world and is head of the church. 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

**Risen Christ, you show us the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy.
Speak to us now as the Scripture is read
and proclaimed, that we may know your presence
and be filled with gladness in our hearts. AMEN**

FIRST LESSON Luke 24:44-53 (N.T., p. 91)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

CHOIR ANTHEM “Hold On” arr. Davison

SECOND LESSON Acts 1:1-11 (N.T., p. 118)
(The Word of the Lord; **thanks be to God!**)

SERMON “Looking for the Living” Rev. Lorenz

* HYMN #344 – “Christ of the Upward Way”

* 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 *Minuetto* Hurlbusch

* RESPONSE #592 – “Praise God”

* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**God of power and love,
you raised Jesus from death to life,
resplendent in glory to rule over all creation.
Free the world to rejoice in his peace,
to glory in his justice, and to live in his love.
Unite all humanity in Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. AMEN**

SENDING

* HYMN #155 – “Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

* BENECTION

* 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 *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



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.