

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

The Second Sunday After Pentecost

June 3, 2018

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

*All who are able may stand.

Bold type spoken by the congregation

GATHERING. . .

The Prelude *Down By the Riverside* Tina Christie, arr.
A Joyful Noise

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit *Dancing at the Rock of Jerusalem*
Cantate

The Call To Worship (from *2 Corinthians 4:5-6*)
We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord
and ourselves as servants for Jesus' sake.
For God has shone in our hearts to give knowledge of the glory of God.
Sisters and brothers, praise the Lord!
The Lord's Name be praised!

The Prayer of Adoration

God our protector and comforter, our shield and defender, hear our glad praises as we boast of Your goodness. We gather as witnesses to Your redeeming graciousness. We worship in response to Your encompassing love. The birds start to sing before the sun even rises, proof that You promise the dawn of new life while it is yet dark. Let Your light now shine on our darkness, that we may discern Your will for us, giving You the honor due Your glorious Name. All praise be to You – the One eternal God – Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer of all. Amen.

*The Hymn 645 *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

*The Prayer of Confession

God Who formed our inward parts and knows our hearts, forgive us. Instead of acknowledging You as our God, we make our own idols. Instead of proclaiming Jesus Christ as our Lord, we proclaim ourselves. Instead of turning to the Holy Spirit, we attempt to attain Your way in our own understanding. In Your great mercy forgive us our sins. . . . (time for silent confession) **. . . redirect our wrong ways and lead us to the ways that make Jesus visible in our lives. Amen.**

The Choral Response

*The Assurance of Pardon

Do not lose heart! God is merciful and just and forgives us our sins.

**We renounce disgraceful, underhanded ways,
and shall refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's Word.**

Be open to the truth of God's graciousness.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*The Gloria Patri

p. 581 in the Hymnal

*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**
(Please exchange this ancient greeting with worshipers seated near you.
Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ.)

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: *1 Samuel 3:1-10* p. 306 in the pew Bible

The Psalter Lesson: *Psalms 139:1-6, 13-18* p. 710 in the pew Bible

The Anthem *Come Flood This Heart of Mine* David Lantz

Ginger Oplinger, violin Matthew Rembisz, bass
*Come flood this heart of mine with Your great love divine.
Come, Spirit, make Your home, my heart is Yours alone..
Come flood this heart of mine with Your pure joy divine.
My every sin forgive as one with You I live.
Come fill my heart, I am longing for Your power.
Your presence and peace will be mine this very hour.
Come fill my heart with Your Spirit in this place.
Let my heart overflow with the fullness of Your grace,
come flood this heart of mine.*

The Epistle Lesson: *2 Corinthians 4:5-12* p. 220 in the pew Bible

A Moment With the Children

*The Hymn 432 *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

The Gospel Lesson: *Mark 2:2-3:6* p. 43 in the pew Bible

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

Taking Sides
Allen H. Fisher, Jr.

TO RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD. . .

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*The *Apostles' Creed*

p. 35 in the Hymnal

The Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

p. 35 in the Hymnal

The Service of Offering

The Gathering of Our Gifts

The Offertory

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Doxology, p. 606 in the Hymnal

O God, You anoint us with the oil of Your blessing. You set us apart as Christ calls us to serve. You fill us with the Spirit of righteousness. We are vessels of Your holiness, prepared to do what You command, Be pleased with our sacrifices, and take delight in our victories. Enhance all our efforts, and multiply our effectiveness. Help us rise to the level of Your trust in us, as we dedicate our gifts in response to Your goodness. In Christ's Name we pray. Amen.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD'S NAME. . .

*The Hymn 757

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

*The Charge & Benediction

*The Postlude



The Rev. Allen H. Fisher, Jr., *Pastor*

The Rev. Brittany Tamminga, *Associate Pastor*

E. Bruce Harvey, Jr., *Coordinator of Christian Education*

Mary Ann & Larry Casey, *Choirmasters*

Amy L. Shirk, *Organist*

MEETINGS & ACTIVITIES 6/3-10

Today (6/3)

Worship Services, *S* 8:30 & 11am
Church Picnic 12pm
Sacred Dance, *U* 3:30pm

Tuesday (6/5)

Men's Breakfast, *Bob Evans* 7:30am
Dolce Flutes, *CR* 6pm

Wednesday (6/6)

Prime Timers', *Cracker Barrel* 11:45am
Meditation, *CP* 6:30pm

Saturday (6/9)

Micah Breakfast, *FH* 6:30am

Sunday (6/10)

Worship Services, *S* 8:30 & 10am
Fellowship Committee, *CF* 11am
Sacred Dance, *U* 3:30pm
Session, *MH* 7pm

Location Key:

CP: Church Parlor *MH*: Middle House
S: Sanctuary *CH*: Church House
EB: Education Building *CF*: Conference Room
U: Undercroft *FH*: Fellowship Hall
UCR: Choir Room in Ed. Building *CR*: Choir Room
L: Library *EBL*: Ed. Building Lobby

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Birthdays this Week

June

- Sophie Early, Alanna John, Cristy Larkin, Tom Theado, Clifford Werner
- Cameron John, Sophie Jones, Doreen Vaughn, Charlotte Webb
- Edith Hall
- Debe Garrison, Margaret Rowe, Adrienne Vaughn
- Jeremy Fisher, Shelley Miller, Stacy Whalen
- Tom Coen, Michael Mathias
- Clifton Gibbons, Jane Kolakowski, Brian Liska, Bayli Rawlings
- Kristen Betsill, Ellen Fritz, Nathaniel Hughes, Carter Theado

Hospital Visitor 6/3-9
John Howe, 850-6377

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

8:30 and 11:00 am

We are delighted to have visitors worship with us!

To aid you in our liturgy, we want to acquaint you with our following custom: In the *Lord's Prayer*, we use the words, "*Forgive us our debts... our debtors.*"

We encourage you to stand for singing, if you are able, as the organ sounds the first note of introduction. When appropriate to the hymn, the organist and choir will lead the congregation in singing "*Amen.*"

Assistive listening devices (amplified earphones and telecoilneckloops), and **large-print bulletins** are available from the ushers.

Child care is provided in the Education Building for infants through 4-year-olds.

All worshipers are encouraged to sign the Attendance/Friendship pad, greet your friends, and welcome visitors.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God, and in celebration of the June 2, 2018 marriage of Andrea Kuliasha and Christopher Jones at The Presbyterian Church.

Capsule of Concern: Casey Naatjes, Earl Stroup, Bob Piersall, Kay Roscoe

Lectionary readings for next Sunday, June 10:

1 Samuel 8:4-11 (12-15) 16-20, (11:14-15);
Psalm 138;
2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1;
Mark 3:20-35

Service Attendants

Liturgist
Jim Christie

8:30 AM
Sanctuary Guild
Debbie Eckel

Greeters
Tom & Karla Lewis, Mary Katherine Greenlaw, Trav Berry

Ushers
Steve & Linda Spratt, Mary Lowman, Adam Nelen

Elevator Assistant
Jerry Zekert

11:00 AM
Sanctuary Guild
Gaye Copley

Greeters
Ralph & Betsy Lewis, Coy & Becky Franklin

Ushers
Dick & Mary Szymanski, Susan Ashby, Gina Whitticar

Elevator Assistant
Pat Parkinson

Nursery Attendants
8:30 & 11:00 services
Betsy & Eva Lewis, Rachel Hole, Margaret Rowe, Kathryn Rexrode

Youth Fellowship TONIGHT: *Middle School* youth will have their last regularly scheduled Youth Fellowship meeting until September, 2018. All rising 5th graders are invited to attend tonight's Middle School Youth Fellowship! *High School* youth will have their last regularly scheduled Youth Fellowship meeting until September, 2018. All rising 8th graders are invited to attend tonight's High School Youth Fellowship.

All members and guests are invited to the **church picnic today**. We ask singles & couples to bring one dish and families of 3 or more to bring two dishes – vegetable, salad, or dessert. The Christian Education Committee will provide chicken tenders, beverages, and eatery. We will set up tables and chairs on the lawn after the 8:30 a.m. service and would appreciate help from those who are able. Food will be ready for the 8:30 service worshipers beginning at 11:30 a.m.

The Christian Education Committee is looking for some interested people to **work in the church library**. It will involve shelving books, discarding books, keeping an updated list of books, making decisions about donated books, and publicity. If you would like to help, please get in touch with Bruce, 373-7057 (bharvey@fredericksburgpc.org).

VBS Shipwrecked - July 15-19 - Sunday 12:00-3:00 and Monday-Thursday 9:00-12:00

Come join us on an awesome island adventure where we are rescued by Jesus! We will have an exciting week of fun games and activities, all while anchoring ourselves in the truth that Jesus carries us through every storm in life. Register online: <https://vbspro.events/p/events/08545b> or look for the VBS table outside of the Sanctuary. We need volunteers, so if you want to have a great week with the children of our church, sign up to help! Volunteers can also go to the website above to sign up or talk to Robin Joel or Rachel Hole for more information.

Prime Timers will meet at Cracker Barrel (1971 Carl D Silver Pkwy) on Wednesday, June 6, at 11:45 a.m. We will be planning the activities for the 2018-19 year. The Prime Timers fellowship group is for retirees. They meet on the first Wednesday of each month, September thru June, including a 2 to 4 day trip in May. Please let Bruce know today if you plan to attend the June 6 gathering.

The Fellowship Committee has organized a church-wide outing on Saturday, June 23. Come and enjoy a day at the ballpark as the **Washington Nationals take on the Philadelphia Phillies**. The first pitch is scheduled for 4:05 p.m. and tickets are limited. Tickets go on sale today; the cost of each ticket is \$30. Please contact Scott Fischer, 540-899-6064, (VaNavigator@msn.com/540-899-6064) to reserve yours today!

Robert Fidler serves on the board of Camp Hanover and each year, the camp staff asks board members to put together a team to help with summer camp sign-in. We are looking for 10-12 volunteers to help sign in campers from roughly 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. There are tasks for all ages and abilities: parking, luggage delivery, directions, copying, checking paperwork, etc. Contact Robert Fidler if you are able to help (robert@fidlernet.com).

The next **Know Your Neighbor Event: An Interfaith Gathering** will be on Sunday, July 8, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at our church. Make plans now to attend.

Our church is sponsoring **SOKS Camp** for the children of Heritage Park apartments, June 25-28. We will offer baseball activities and field games at Sunshine Ballpark. Volunteers need to arrive at the apartment complex at 12:30 p.m. and take the children to the ballpark until 3:30 p.m. You may volunteer on one or all of the afternoons. Baseball skills are not necessary, just a willingness to help the kids and have fun! Please contact Jim Toler (jimtoler4@yahoo.com) or Bruce Harvey (bharvey@fredericksburgpc.org) for details or to sign up.

The beginning of our 10:00 a.m. summer worship schedule on June 10 marks the start of **Lemonade on the Lawn** fellowship time between the two services. If you and your family would like to help serve lemonade to thirsty visitors and members of the congregation, you may sign up at the table outside the Sanctuary, or contact Scott Fischer, 540-899-6064, (VaNavigator@msn.com.) Lemonade on the Lawn will continue through Labor Day weekend, September 2.