

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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*Please join in reading  
aloud those parts of  
the service printed in  
**bold**.*

*The congregation is  
invited to reflect  
silently during the  
Music for  
Preparation  
as a time of prayer  
and meditation.*

*When this symbol (\*)  
precedes an element  
of the service, please  
rise in body or spirit.*

*We lay before God  
our own sins,  
the sins and  
brokenness of our  
fellow worshipers,  
the church universal,  
and the world.*

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us now prepare our hearts to worship God.

### MUSIC FOR PREPARATION

Simple Gifts

Wilbur Held (1914-2015)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Call to the Lord, O you people,  
for the Lord God promises to hear us when we call.  
Come let us behold the righteousness of the Lord.  
Our God abounds in steadfast love.  
The love of God is from everlasting to everlasting.  
Our refuge is found in God alone.  
Come let us praise the Lord.

### \*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN – NO. 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

(Text and Tune are printed on page 7)

### \*CALL TO CONFESSON

### \*CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSON

God, our fears and prejudices run deep.  
Sometimes we can only see our own point of view.  
We stick with those who are like us,  
rarely venturing outside our comfort zones.  
We do not hear those crying for justice and true peace.  
We blame those who are suffering and in need,  
instead of standing by them.  
We deny the power of your gospel  
to unite us with those who are different from us.  
Lord, forgive us.  
Give us eyes to see and ears to hear.  
Open us to new possibilities of life for all of your people,  
and use us to enact the new life given in Christ.

### \*SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSON

### \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy (Kyrie Eleison)

adapted by Richard Proulx



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy u - pon us.



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy u - pon us.

## \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Glory to God!

GELOBT SEI GOTT

Glory to God! The heav'ns a - dore! Let earth re - sound God's  
praise there - fore; Au - thor of peace for ev - er - more!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Michael Morgan

## \*PASSING THE PEACE, LOVE, AND JOY OF CHRIST TO OTHERS

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

## LISTENING FOR THE WORD

## A TIME WITH CHILDREN

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## GOSPEL READING: Mark 15:33-41

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

*We exchange reconciling words and gestures among the people of God.*

## ANTHEM

A Simple Song

Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990)

Willy Fisher, tenor

*We listen for what God is saying to God's people through scripture, song, and sermon.*

Sing God a simple song: Lauda, Laude...

Make it up as you go along; Lauda, Laude...

Sing like you like to sing. God loves all simple things,

For God is the simplest of all.

I will sing the Lord a new song to praise Him, to bless him, to bless the Lord.

I will sing His praises while I live all of my days.

Blessed is the one who loves the Lord,

Blessed is the one who praises Him, and walks in His ways.

I will lift up my eyes to the hills from whence comes my help.

I will lift up my voice to the Lord singing Lauda, Laude.

For the Lord is my shade upon my right hand,

And the sun shall not smite me by day

Nor the moon by night.

## NEW TESTAMENT READING: 1 Timothy 4:6-16

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON: The Twelve: James the Lesser

Rev. Taylor Barner

*The astoundingly good news of our reconciliation to God through Jesus Christ frees our tongues to sing mighty praise to God.*

Our response to  
hearing God's  
Word includes  
singing and saying  
what we believe.

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

- The Apostles' Creed

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION- NO. 498

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

BEACH SPRING

(Text and Tune are printed on page 8)

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
    hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
    on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
    and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
    and lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom  
    and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## BREAKING OF THE BREAD

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

*Lord's Supper  
During his  
ministry, Jesus  
shared meals as a  
sign of community  
and acceptance. As  
we gather for  
communion, know  
that you are  
welcome in this  
community and  
accepted at  
Christ's table.*

## ACTS OF GIVING AND RECEIVING

## OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

## MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

## Thy Holy Wings

## Swedish Folk Song, arr. John Ferguson (b. 1941)

Willy Fisher, tenor

Thy holy wings O Savior, spread gently over me,  
And let me rest securely through good and ill in thee.  
Oh, be my strength and portion, my rock and hiding place,  
And let my every moment be lived within thy grace.

Oh, wash me in the waters, of Noah's cleansing flood;  
Give me a willing spirit, a heart, both clean and good.  
And take into thy keeping Thy children great and small,  
And while we sweetly slumber, enfold us one and all.

-Caroline Sandell Berg (1832-1903), trans. Gracia Grindal

## \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

## Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

## LASST UNS ERFREUEN

## BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*God blesses and  
sends us in  
mission to the  
world.*

### \*CONGREGATIONAL HYMN – NO 515

I Come with Joy

*(Text and Tune are printed on page 9)*

DOVE OF PEACE

### MUSIC AT THE VOLUNTARY

Tuba Tune in D Major

Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

*Taylor Barner, M. Div., Associate Pastor for Student Ministries*

*Carrie Tuttle, M. Div., Parish Associate for Pastoral Care*

*J. Patrick Murphy, M. Mus., Organist-Choirmaster*

*Charlotte Nance-Allbright, M.A, C.C.E., Director of Christian Formation and Education*

## 35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

# Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

498

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)  
F Dm B<sup>♭</sup>

1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the Gal - i -  
2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a qui - et  
3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in faith we  
4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your

(D) (Bm)  
F Dm

le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of Life from heav - en, was their  
room one night. In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you  
gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the a - ges: "I am  
name to share bread for which the mil - lions hun - ger, words that

(G) (D) (A)  
B<sup>♭</sup> F C

food for - ev - er - more.  
came as Light from Light.  
with you; do not fear!" By your bod - y bro - ken  
tell your love and care.

(Bm) (F#m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)  
Dm Am Dm B<sup>♭</sup> C F

for us, by your wine of life out-poured, Je - sus, feed a -

(Bm) (G) (D)  
Dm B<sup>♭</sup> F

gain your peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

The first two stanzas of this text deal with events in the past (the feeding of the multitude and the Last Supper) and the final two with events in the present. The recurring last four lines of each stanza serve as an affirmation of Christ's continuing presence at all times.

# I Come with Joy

515

Capo 3: (D) (G) (A) (D) (Bm)  
 F B<sup>♭</sup> C F Dm

1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and  
 2 I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are  
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion  
 4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er  
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has

(Asus) (Am) (G) (F#m) (D)  
 Csus Cm B<sup>♭</sup> Am F

free, the life of Je - sus to re - call, in  
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in  
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and  
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -  
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the

(Em) (D/F#) (G) (A) (Am7) (D)  
 Gm F/A B<sup>♭</sup> C Cm7 F

love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.  
 Christ's com-mu - nion bread, in Christ's com-mu - nion bread.  
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.  
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.  
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

This text affirms that Christian unity is not achievement but gift, one renewed each time we gather for the Lord's Supper. Each of us enters as an "I" and leaves as part of "we." The unadorned language of this text is well matched to the simple shape note tune that sets it here.

TEXT: Brian Wren, 1968; rev. 1993  
 MUSIC: American folk melody; arr. Austin C. Lovelace, 1977  
 Text © 1971, rev. 1995 Hope Publishing Company  
 Music Arr. © 1977 Hope Publishing Company

DOVE OF PEACE  
 8.6.8.6.6

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A WARM AND CORDIAL WELCOME** is extended to all who worship with us this Sunday. We hope in this service you will encounter the living Christ and experience the warmth of our caring family of faith.

**COVER ART:** *James the Lesser, the Apostle, St. John in the Lateran, Rome.*

**RED ROSES** are given to the glory of God and in loving honor of Myers Margaret and Geales Gavin Stevens born to Scott and Gavin Stevens. Big sister Atty joins in the celebration.

**LIVE VIDEO STREAMING SERVICE:** **Boxcast** will not only stream to our website at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings, but also to our Facebook page. The service will be available to view [on our website](#) and on [the FPC Facebook page](#).

**OFFERING RITUAL:** Scan this code to connect to our online giving page:

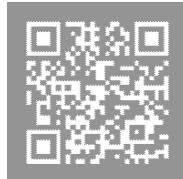
This code will link you to the online giving page of FPC's website (<https://fpcburlington.org/serve-and-give/give/>).

Scroll down to the blue button that says "Give." You may also *simply mail your gift to First Presbyterian Church,*

*508 West Davis Street, Burlington, 27215.*

In giving thanks to God for the blessing of our church family and our community, please also remember that your generosity during this time is critical. Just because we are not physically gathering for worship, does not mean that the work of our church stops. While recognizing the impact of this virus has on your life, consider continuing your financial gifts to the church as you are able. Your generosity will provide invaluable help to those in need during these uncertain times.

For questions about e-giving, please contact Lacey Way.



**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED:** Please note that due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Church Office remains closed. The staff will be working in the office from 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. Monday—Thursday and from home the remainder of the day. Please contact all staff by phone or email only.

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Thank you to all who came out for the **CHARITY AND CHEER CAR PARADE**. A great time was had by all. Because of your generosity, we raised \$1520.93 for Pennies for Hunger and there were so many non-perishable foods that we covered both tables in the Welcome Center and ask Salvation Army to come by ASAP to collect the food! Thank you!

## PASTORAL CARE INFORMATION

**IF YOU HAVE** a personal emergency, hospitalization, or pastoral care need, please call the church office. If it is after office hours or on the weekend, you may call the minister on call:

7/31-8/2 Taylor Barner (412-613-0835)

## Fellowship Committee

Ice Cream Social: "I scream, you scream, we all scream for ICE CREAM!" Plan to join your FPC friends for a sweet treat on **Sunday, August 23**. A drive-thru ice cream event is being planned so save the date and stay tuned for details!

## Mission and Outreach

### Local Mission Opportunity During the COVID 19 Crisis

**Feed the Hungry Food Collection** - Our church can still reach out to help those in need by donating food. Collection boxes are located outside the church entrance adjacent to the main parking lot and all you have to do is drive by and drop off your food donation. Thanks for doing whatever you can!

### JOIN THE BRIGHT STARS OF BETHLEHEM TEAM FOR A VIRTUAL SUMMER SERIES: Palestine During Double Lockdown

The series title, taken from Rev. Dr. Raheb's latest book, speaks to the additional layer of oppression that the pandemic has inflicted on Palestinians. We'll hear from Bright Stars co-founder and Dar al-Kalima University President, Miti Raheb alongside students, faculty, and scholars from the university. We'll have an opportunity to discuss aspects of the Israeli occupation, especially the planned annexation and other human rights violations occurring in the shadow of the pandemic. Lastly, we'll hear from Bright Stars Executive Director how you can partner in unlocking hope for the next generation of creative leaders in Palestine.

Save the dates: **August 24** at 12:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Limited space available, and there is no charge. Registration required. Schedule listed below. Watch for registration links coming soon.

## ANDREWS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

It is time for our annual collection of school supplies for Andrews Elementary School. This year they are just requesting two items: **Gallon ziplock bags and Kleenex**. Andrews' teachers, staff and school families are always so appreciative of all that we share with them. There will be a labeled collection box near the entrance to the CDC. Thank you FPC for your generous hearts!

## Summer Worship Series – The Twelve

This summer our worship service each week will focus on “The Twelve” – the twelve disciples of Jesus who became twelve apostles of the early church. When we first encounter these twelve in the gospels they are fishermen and tax collectors. For three years they followed Jesus and during that time they were bumbling novices at best. And yet, they suddenly are transformed into empowered leaders who spread the Good News as far east as India, as far west as Spain, possibly as far north as Britain, and as far south as North Africa. We will examine the life and witness of one of the Twelve and consider what the Spirit is saying to us today through their struggles and perseverance, persecutions and contagious joy.

August 9

The Twelve: Jude Thaddeus, The Questioner – Dr. Ron Shive  
First Reading: Habakkuk 1:12—2:1  
Second Reading: John 14:15-24

August 16

The Twelve: Simon, The Zealot – Dr. Ron Shive  
First Reading: Romans 12:9-21  
Second Reading: Luke 6:12-32

August 23

The Twelve: Matthias, The Elected—Rev. Carrie Tuttle  
First Reading: Luke 10: 1-3  
Second Reading: Acts 1:12-26

**Faith Formation and Fellowship** do not stop just because we cannot gather at the building! Join one of these opportunities online!

If you would like to participate in any online classes, please contact Charlotte Nance-Allbright [callbright@fpcburlington.org](mailto:callbright@fpcburlington.org) for the link you will need to access the gathering.

### Online Adult Formation Class

Recordings of online classes – Please go <https://fpcburlington.org/grow-and-learn/adult/> to receive the link to view the recordings of online classes.

Current recordings:

“Coming to Know God” led by Dr. Ed Moore – six classes  
“Learning About the Israel-Palestine Conflict from a Jewish Perspective” led by Dr. Steve Feldman – one class  
“Jeremiah: The Weeping Prophet” – Wrap-up Session with Ron Shive – one class  
“1st Corinthians” - video by Dr. James “Mickey” Efird – 4 recordings  
Meet Mission Partner - Chenoa Stock - Peru  
Meet Mission Partners - Charles and Melissa Johnson - Zambia  
Meet Mission Partner - John McCall—Taiwan  
From John McCall: Recording of *Mali*, *Mali* aboriginal students from Taipei Aboriginal Student Center in Taipei.

Join us for a Six Week Zoom Bible Study of Paul’s Letter to the Galatians led by Dr. Lewis Galloway, a resident of Black Mountain and the former Senior Pastor of Second Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis. Galatians, which is one of the earliest letters of Paul, explores the question of how we are put in a right relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Knowing that our life in Christ is established by grace alone, we are called to live a life of Christian freedom. Choose from one of two opportunities each week: 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday or 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. beginning Sept. 15/17 and ending Oct. 20/22. Each class is limited to 20 participants. Find the sign up link on the church website or contact Charlotte Nance-Allbright.

### Contemplative Ministry

Join us for yoga, led by Ann Brady Sapp, from 4:00-5:00 p.m. on the front lawn Sundays in August. To keep in compliance with state and CDC guidelines, the number of people gathering is limited to 25. A Sign-up genius link is available in the eblast and on the church Facebook page. You can also contact Charlotte Nance-Allbright [callbright@fpcburlington.org](mailto:callbright@fpcburlington.org) to save your spot.

### Chancel Choir

*Zoom* gatherings occur regularly. This forum gives our faithful singers a chance for fellowship and to see one another in this time of physical distance. These *Zoom* gatherings are led by Patrick Murphy.

### Youth

Virtual Youth Slideshow will take place via Zoom on Sunday, August 23 at 5:00 p.m. Please contact Taylor Barner for the link.

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