



Service For The Lord's Day

Communion/2 Cents a Meal

August 6, 2023

****Those who are able, please stand.***

10:00 A.M. Worship

WELCOME! We are glad you are worshiping with us today. We pray that you will be challenged and find joy, hope, and celebration in this time spent together in the presence of God. *Please sign and pass the "Ritual of Friendship" booklet; then, return it to the first person.*

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat."

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER TO WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you

All: And also with you.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE** *(Please greet nearby worshipers and return to your seat.)*

PRELUDE

"Sonatina Op. 88 No. 2"

Kuhlau

I. Allegro assai

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Responsive)

Leader: Anyone who thirsts, come and drink!

All: If you have no money but you're hungry, come and receive wine and milk without a price tag.

Leader: Come and partake in the Spirit that will give you life.

All: Become a witness of God's free gift of grace to all people.

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION** *(In Unison)*

Generous God, the whole creation looks to You, and You give them their food in due season. Open Your hand to us and satisfy us with what we most deeply desire. Amen.

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| *OPENING HYMN | “Great God of Every Blessing” | No. 694 |
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***CALL TO CONFESSION** *(Lay Reader)*

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *(In Unison)*

God of justice and mercy, we admit that we are not always free of deceit. We are fooled by the false promises of the world into pursuing things that do not truly nourish us. Hear our cry and save us, dear God, in Jesus' name. Amen.

***KYRIE** No. 575

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (*Lay Reader*)

*GLORIA PATRI No. 581

GOD'S PEOPLE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION *(In Unison)*

Providing God, by Your Holy Spirit, feed us with Your Word, so that we might be filled with the bread of life. Amen.

FIRST READING Psalm 145: 8-9, 14-21

SPECIAL MUSIC “Songs for Horns”
Miranda Gerchak, Lindsay Dean, Aurora Sensabaugh, French horn

SECOND READING Matthew 14: 13-21

SERMON “A Catering Conundrum” Rev. Greg Gillispie

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

excerpt from The Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, Whom alone we worship and serve.

HYMN

“Let Us Break Bread Together”

No. 525

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...“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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.”

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Communion Music

“Sonatina Op. 88 No. 3”

Kuhlau

I. Allegro con affeto

Prayer

OFFERTORY

“Songs for Horns”

Miranda Gerchak, Lindsay Dean, Aurora Sensabaugh, French horn

***DOXOLOGY**

No. 606

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

(In Unison)

Loving and generous God, You provide for us and even bless us in more ways than we can number. We give these tithes and offerings to tell of Your wondrous and steadfast love, so that those who do not yet know You may also come to Your love. Amen.

***HYMN**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

No. 547

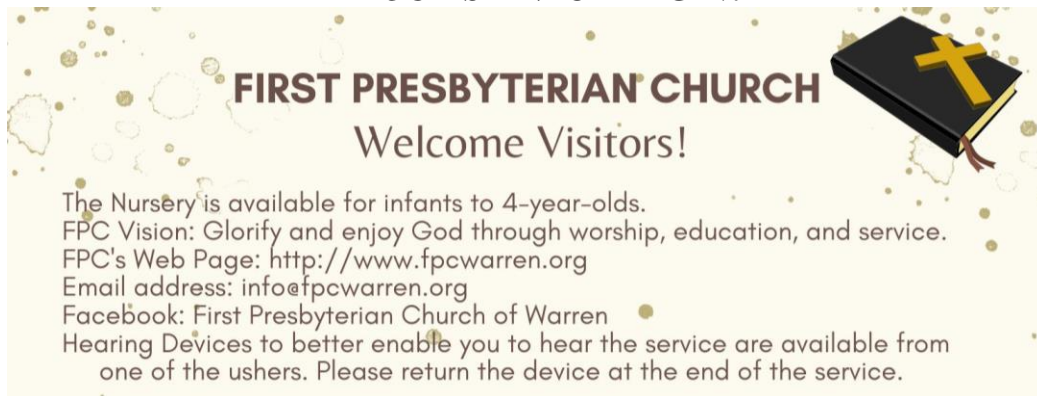
GOD'S PEOPLE GO FORTH TO SERVE
***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

“Sonatina Op. 88 No. 2”
III. Rondo, vivace

Kuhlau

***THE CELEBRATION HAS ENDED;
LET OUR SERVICE BEGIN!***



PLEASE WELCOME our guest minister, **Rev. Greg Gillispie**, a Presbyterian pastor living in south-central New York. He is a news producer and on-air reporter for Family Life, a Christian radio network with 68 stations in Pennsylvania and New York. The Lake Erie Presbytery commissioned him last fall as a Christian broadcaster, after his 27 years of church pastorates, which followed his original hometown radio career in Nebraska. Greg is one of Buck Gillispie's three sons.

THE DEACONS would like to thank all who remember the Deacons' Cupboard while shopping. They are requesting **cake or brownie mix, frosting, toilet paper, and bar soap** for the month of **August**. You may leave your items in the Deacons' box in Fellowship Hall.

RADIO MINISTRY is funded today by **Cindy Athya**. Our service is broadcast at 10:00 a.m. Sundays on 1570 AM and 97.7 FM. If you would like to contribute to this ministry, donations designated for the Radio Ministry may be placed in the offering box; contributions may also be mailed to the Church Office with "Radio Ministry" in the memo of the check. Our Radio Ministry costs \$125.00 per week; your financial support will keep this ministry alive.

DON'T FORGET... Jigsaw puzzles are available in Fellowship Hall on the bookshelf. Take one; complete it; return it; borrow another. Enjoy!

WARREN ITALIAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL will be held at Courthouse Square on **August 10, 11, 12, and 13**. Fireworks will be Saturday at 10:45 p.m.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: A Congregational Meeting of the First Presbyterian Church of Warren will be held immediately following worship on **Sunday, August 13**. The purpose of this meeting will be to elect church officers. Please plan to attend this important meeting in the life of our Church.

MIRIAM ESTHER CIRCLE: It is time to order Bible study books for this year's Miriam Esther Circle, which will meet at 11:00 a.m. on the first Thursday of the month beginning in October. The book is titled "Sacred Encounters" and costs \$10. Please let Mary Kilpatrick know if you want her to order a book for you or call the Church Office.

EVENING VESPERS: "Christian Campfire Songs and S'more" will be the theme for the Vesper Service on **Wednesday, August 16, at 6:00 p.m.** with a time of music, prayer, Scripture reading, and reflection. Bring your "picnic" supper and eat with others before worship begins. Dessert will be provided following worship. This is a "bring-your-own-chair or blanket" event. In case of inclement weather, we will meet in Fellowship Hall. This is another opportunity to gather together as a church family and thank God for all that our Church has been and will continue to be.

MUSIC MINISTRY: Soon we will be getting ready to rehearse, so now is the time to join the Music Ministry Program! If you would like to ring a bell or lift your voice in praise of God's greatness, PLEASE JOIN US! Being a part of the Music Ministry @ FPC does not require exceptional talent nor experience. It does require a commitment to spreading God's message using the talents given to you. Being a part of the Music Ministry @ FPC brings fellowship, friendship, and, most importantly, first pick of the donuts every Sunday! Kids K-9: watch your mailbox for exciting music news! There's something for everyone: singing, rhythm instruments, Orff, and hand chimes! We meet twice a month during worship preparing to celebrate special times in the church year. Come, join the fun, and share the talent God has shared with you. If you are interested, please see Melanie on Sunday mornings.

GRIEFSHARE is a support group for all who have lost a loved one. A new group is forming at Ohio Living Lake Vista, 303 N. Mecca St, Cortland, OH 44410, this Wednesday, August 9, 1:00-3:00. Every emotion you are feeling, every unusual thing you have wondered about will be discussed. You will meet an experienced leader and peers who are experiencing the same sadness in their own lives. Sessions include open discussion, video, and a workbook discussion on subjects such as, "Is this Normal?", "Who Am I Now?", "The Lessons of Grief", "Heaven", and many more. The group will be led by Mary Ann Bromley of our church. Please call Mary Ann at 330-646-1730 for more info; walk-ins are welcome.



Online giving can be done with your phone using the QR code on the left or use the pew card.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

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| Sun, August 6 | - Communion/2 Cents a Meal - Worship | 10:00 am |
| Mon, August 7 | - OA, P - BGA Meeting, FH - AA, MC | 10:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm |
| Tues, August 8 | - Al-Anon, B - NA, MC | 9:30 am 7:00 pm |
| Wed, August 9 | - AGG Planning Meeting, P - AA, MC | 1:00 pm 6:30 pm |
| Thur, August 10 | - Prayer Talk, FH - CE Meeting..... | 9:00 am 7:00 pm |
| Fri, August 11 | - Church Office Closed | |
| Sat, August 12 | - AA, MC | 11:00 am |
| Sun, August 13 | - Worship - Congregational Meeting..... | 10:00 am 11:15 am |

FH-Fellowship Hall MC-Mable Culver P-Parlor B-Badger Hall T-Tieffle Lounge Z-Zoom

GUEST PASTOR:
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY:
DIRECTOR OF FAMILY AND YOUTH MINISTRY:
LAY READER:
RADIO, LIGHTS AND SOUND SYSTEM:
VIDEO PROJECTION:

*Rev. Greg Gillispie
Melanie A. Vlad
Marissa Welke
Lynn Griffith III
Alexis Musgrove
Bob Stahl*

