

*Holy, holy, holy, God of sovereignty and light, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of our God. Hosanna in the highest. (Hymn 552)*

We are grateful for Jesus, the Christ, who teaches and heals us and becomes the way for us, through his dying and his rising, that we may die through him and rise through him into a new heaven and a new earth.

#### **Words of Institution**

God, bless these simple gifts of the earth —  
this bread and this cup —  
that they may become for us, through the power of your Holy Spirit,  
Christ's presence with us, transforming us into the body of Christ in the world.

May this meal inspire and strengthen us to love you, each other, and this world until Christ comes again and brings all things to their fulfillment.

All glory and honor are yours, Holy One, through Christ,  
who, in the Spirit, taught us to pray saying, Our Father ...

**The Lords Prayer** (using "debts" and "debtors," page 35 in *Glory to God*)

#### **Communion of the People**

(All Christians, regardless of church affiliation, are invited to receive the sacrament. Communion will be served by intinction; take a piece of bread and dip it in the cup. Please come forward by the center aisle and return to your seat by the side aisles. Persons who have difficulty walking are invited to signal a server to be served in the pew. Gluten-free bread is available near the baptismal font.)

#### **Prayer**

**Eternal God,  
we thank you for your presence in the simplicity and splendor of this holy meal.  
By the power of your Holy Spirit, unite us with all whom Christ welcomes,  
that we may be the servant church of the servant Christ,  
in whose name we pray. Amen.**

✦ **HYMN 485** - *We Know That Christ Is Raised*

ENGELBERG

✦ **BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE (9:30)** - *Lift High the Cross*

arr. Larry Shackley

# **First Presbyterian Church, Annapolis, Maryland**

## **June 2, 2019 – 8:00 & 9:30 am Worship**

### **Seventh Sunday of Easter**



*The God of your understanding is just that: the God of your understanding. What you need is the God just beyond your understanding. - Rami Shapiro*

#### **PREPARATION FOR THE WORD**

✦ Please rise in body or in spirit.

**PRELUDE (9:30)** - *Give Me Jesus*

arr. John Purifoy, traditional spiritual

**NOTICES OF CONGREGATIONAL LIFE** - (Pass the greeter pad down the pew and back.)  
**Minute for Congregational Life** - Pride Festival

#### ✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

God holds out to us the promise of new life:  
Life as unpredictable, as unrehearsed,  
as spontaneous as life at the very beginning.

**God calls us to respond to this gift with creativity,  
with joy, and with courage. In worship, we can begin  
to accept this gift of new life. Let us worship God.**

✦ **HYMN 157** - *I Danced in the Morning*

LORD OF THE DANCE

#### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

God's love is steadfast, and God's faithfulness endures from age to age.  
Our love falters, and our faithfulness waxes and wanes from day to day.  
Let us confess our sin and our need for God.

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Gracious God, you encourage us with your love, bringing new life out of death.  
We confess that we need your life-giving power in our lives and our relationships.**

**We have hurt others and been hurt by them.**

**We are often angry or afraid.**

**We are not sure when to assert our needs and when to care for others' needs.**

**We continue to live in ways that do not lead to peace and justice.**

**Forgive us, O God. Pour your Spirit of wisdom and healing upon us, that by our lives and our loving, we may glorify you, through Jesus Christ the Risen One. Amen.**

(Silence)

#### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Standing in the grace of Christ, who leads us in the way of Divine Love, there is rest from our fruitless labors, forgiveness of our sins, and the guarantee of eternal life.

In the name of the One who died and was raised, all is forgiven, and we can recommit ourselves to being God's instruments of righteousness in this world. **Amen.**

**RESPONSE OF PRAISE: 233, VS. 3 - *The Day of Resurrection!*** LANCASHIRE

***Now let the heavens be joyful; let earth its song begin; the round world keep high triumph and all that is therein. Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend, for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end.***

#### **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

#### **TIME WITH CHILDREN (9:30)**

(The red wagon is available in the courtyard at 8:00 am. The nursery is open at 9:30 am, for infants to 4-year-olds. Discovery is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor for pre-k through 1<sup>st</sup> grades at 9:30 am only; pick up is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Older children remain in worship.)

#### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE** - Romans 6:1-11

**ANTHEM (9:30) - *Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether*** Harold W. Friedell  
(The text to this morning's anthem is found in *Glory to God*, no. 529.)

**SECOND SCRIPTURE** - Romans 8:24-28

The Word of God for the People of God.  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

#### **SERMON**

"By No Means"

#### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

#### **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

#### **OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE**

**OFFERTORY (9:30) - *I Know that My Redeemer Liveth***

G. F. Handel

#### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

#### **SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

##### **Invitation**

✠ **Hymn 509 - *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly***

HOLY MANNA

##### **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

God be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us open our hearts.

**We open them to our God.**

Let us give thanks to the Holy One, our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is a right and good and joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give you thanks, All-Loving God, creator of energy and matter, heaven and earth.

**When there was nothing, you created all that is.**

**In due time you made for humans to evolve and gave us the power of language.**

When we felt the sting of the lash, you liberated us.

When we were lost and our souls were faint,

you led us home through prophets and apostles.

When the time was right, you sent your Son to embody your promise to save us.

**Therefore we praise you,**

**joining the everlasting chorus of the wind and the streams,**

**the animals and flowers,**

**the living and the dead,**

**the stars and the planets,**

**and all the company of heaven:**

**HEARING AIDS, LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & BIBLES AVAILABLE FROM USHERS. SANCTUARY IS EQUIPPED WITH A T-LOOP; SET HEARING AID TO "T" POSITION.**

The liturgy today is adapted from *Touch Holiness : Resources for Worship* (updated).

**THOSE ASSISTING THIS MORNING** - **Preacher:** Lisa Rzepka; **Liturgists:** Heather Shortlidge, David Hancock (8:00), John Burroughs (9:30); **Music:** David Hancock (8:00); **Time with Children:** Miss Good (9:30); **Ushers:** Dave, Cynthia, Chris, Alex and Ben Goshorn (9:30); **Discovery:** Miss Good, Sydney Keplinger (9:30); **Communion:** David Hancock (8:00), Betsy Stewart, Bob Foye (9:30); **Minute:** Didi Gundry.

**CHANCEL FLOWERS** - On the wedding anniversary (June 4) of Denise Ferguson and Tom Ligan, they give flowers in honor of her father, Bill Ferguson.

**PRAYERS** - are with the Chapman and Bell families. Carolyn's son, Jeff, died suddenly on Tuesday; funeral arrangements will be forthcoming. Bruce Bell's father died on May 27, 2019.

**STAFF NEWS** - Thank you Mary Marie Quigley for directing and playing while Bob Muckenfuss is on vacation. Through Labor Day, the church office is open Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm; please note this summer schedule.



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**FPC MISSION STATEMENT: WE ARE CALLED TO DO JUSTICE, LOVE KINDNESS AND WALK HUMBLLY WITH GOD. Micah 6:8**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE JUNE NEWSLETTER** - is now online and available in hard copy at the rear of the sanctuary.

**TODAY AT 10:30 AM: "Who Has Housing Issues?"** Are you or someone you know a young adult living with parents or with several roommates when you'd rather live by yourself? Or, are you a senior wishing to downsize but have no affordable place to go? Or are you encountering other housing issues? Our church's Anne Arundel Connecting Together (ACT) team is collecting stories about problems families or individuals are having finding affordable housing in the county. Share your experiences today at 10:30 am in Fellowship Hall.

**FOR FAMILIES** - The Family Ministry Committee requests you complete an anonymous survey. Feedback will to help the Committee plan and facilitate meaningful experiences for children and youth, while meeting the spiritual needs of our families. One survey PER child. For those who complete the survey, email [miss@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:miss@annapolis-presbyterian.com) to win a raffle for \$50 to the Lighthouse Bistro. Look for a survey link in the FM e-blast this week or visit <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNY8EjcKIneIFMiGUQih2RXYjGSMXGQrXXexckzd bBAUmF1g/viewform>.

**SEMINARY INTERN** - Sarah Wilson starts work Tuesday and will be with us for 11 weeks. We're looking for folks who would like to host her for dinner. To share a meal, email Rev. Shortlidge ([heather@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:heather@annapolis-presbyterian.com)).

**BIBLE STUDY** - Wednesdays in the Kinhart Center or courtyard (weather permitting). 4:00-5:00 pm. The group is discussing chapters 2-4 of Barbara Brown Taylor's "Holy Envy."

**SOFTBALL FANS AND ATHLETES** - First game Wednesday at 6:30 pm, fields behind the Annapolis Middle School. For a game schedule, email [sharonelise@gmail.com](mailto:sharonelise@gmail.com). Games are also listed in the June Newsletter and online church calendar online. Play ball!

**CHOIR APPRECIATION** - Reception June 9, 10:45 am, Courtyard. Celebrate the Chancel Choir for its music contributions this past year. In addition to spirited and touching, weekly Sunday anthems, we have enjoyed talented solos by choir members and youth musicians.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)** - "Very Big Story" camp, July 8-12, 9:00 am to noon. For campers AND Jr. Counselors (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades). Cohosted with St. Anne's Parish. Contact Miss Good ([miss@annapolis-presbyterian.com](mailto:miss@annapolis-presbyterian.com)). Online registration link available at [www.annapolis-presbyterian.com](http://www.annapolis-presbyterian.com).

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**CONGREGATIONAL EMAIL** - Stay informed each week about church happenings! Visit [www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/congregational-email](http://www.annapolis-presbyterian.com/congregational-email). Complete the very short form and look for a verification email in your inbox.

**ABOUT THE BELL CHOIR CONCERT ON JUNE 11** - 7:30 pm in our sanctuary. Come and welcome our Pittsburgh Presbyterian friends as well as their Czech Partners! Free and open to the public.

**68 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - On opposite years of the General Assembly, the PC(USA) hosts the "Big Tent" for a gathering of Presbyterians to share in seminars, workshops, and networking. This summer, it is in our neighborhood! To volunteer and attend for free, email [kris.valerius@pcusa.org](mailto:kris.valerius@pcusa.org). This year's theme is: "Called to a Movement beyond Institution," which will emphasize our hope of the Gospel and its power to challenge institutional conventions.



## LOOKING AHEAD IN SUMMER WORSHIP

Join us each Sunday through Labor Day at 8:00 am for a "come-as-you-are" service in the courtyard. Or, join us at 9:30 am in the sanctuary for traditional worship. Nursery care is available at the 9:30 am service for infants through 4-year-olds. After the Time with Children message, children in pre-k through 1<sup>st</sup> grade may attend Discovery for crafts and games. All children are welcomed at both services: in the courtyard, children may enjoy the red wagon with quiet activities; and at 9:30 am, activity bags are available from the ushers.

### June 9 - Pentecost (WEAR RED!), Choir Appreciation Sunday

Rev. Rzepka will preach from Romans 8:14-39 and Acts 2:1-4. We look forward to welcoming Seminary Intern, Sarah Wilson, in worship. Having joined church on June 2, new members will be recognized. We will thank and celebrate a year's worth of song from the Chancel Choir with a reception in the courtyard after the 9:30 am worship service (inside if inclement weather).

### June 16 - Father's Day

Sarah Wilson, Seminary Intern, will preach "The First Promise: Getting it Together" from Isaiah 44:6-8 and Luke 14:25-33. Mac Raspert will be baptized at 9:30 am.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Community</u>	
<b>Sun 6/2</b>	8:00	Worship (courtyard) - <i>Communion</i>	
	9:00	Choir Rehearsal (music)	9:30 CPT (Hollywood Farm;
	9:30	Worship (sanctuary) - <i>Communion</i>	Shaw Chapel if raining)
	10:30	ACT Listening - Housing (FH)	
	3:00-5:00	New Members Class (FH)	
	4:00	Triennium Meeting (Howard County Church)	
<b>Mon 6/3</b>		12:00 Noon AA (FH)	
		7:15 ACOA (Music)	
		8:00 Monday Night AA (FH)	
<b>Tues 6/4</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> DAY FOR SEMINARY INTERN, SARAH WILSON</b>		
	2:30	Piano Practice (FH)	12:00 Noon AA (FH)
	6:30	Mission (KC4a)	6:00 Improv (FH)
	7:00	PNC (KC1a)	7:00 AA Board (KC5a)
<b>Wed 6/5</b>	12:00	Staff Meeting (KC1a)	12:00 Noon AA (FH)
	4:00	Bible Study (KC1a)	
	6:30	Mentoring Meeting (Schilder home)	
	6:30	Softball Game (AMS; athletes arrive 6:00 pm)	
<b>Thurs 6/6</b>	12:00	PWC Luncheon (ZW House)	12:00 Noon AA (FH)
			7:00 Action Rehearsal (Asbury Methodist)
<b>Fri 6/7</b>	<b>OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAYS IN SUMMER</b>		12:00 Noon AA (FH)
<b>Sat 6/8</b>	10:00	Circle 5	8:00 Evening AA (FH)
<b>Sun 6/9</b>	<b>PENTECOST</b>		
	8:00	Worship (courtyard)	
	9:00	Choir Rehearsal (music)	9:30 CPT (Hollywood Farm;
	9:30	Worship (sanctuary)	Shaw Chapel if raining)
	10:45	Choir Reception (Courtyard, FH if raining)	