

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Bradford, Pennsylvania

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of First Church is to **tell**, to **share**, and to **show** the love of God by following Jesus Christ.

Telling by proclaiming God's message in meaningful worship

Sharing by learning and living Christ's teachings

Showing by putting our faith into action

WORSHIP

Sanctuary - 10:00 a.m.

August 4, 2019

God Gathers Us Together

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Nun danket alle Gott"

G F Kaufmann

CALL to WORSHIP (responsively)

God of the past, who spoke through the prophets:

we are here to thank you.

God of the future, who is building your kingdom in our midst:

we are here trusting in you.

God of the present, who creates us to be one people:

we are here to praise you.

God of life, who surprises us:

we celebrate your grace.

*HYMN #643

"Now Thank We All Our God"

We Encounter God's Grace

*CALL to CONFESSION

Elizabeth Baxter

Even aware of God's grace, we can find ourselves fearing judgment, and doubting God's joy in us. Let us come to the One who heals us and calls each of us by name. Please join me as we pray together.

*PRAYER of CONFESSION (said in unison)

God of grace, teach us better ways of living and doing. You gather us from our brokenness, so we might be led into acts of mercy. You redeem us from our mistakes, so we might feed those who hunger for hope. Your compassion is gifted to us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, in whose name we pray.

*ASSURANCE of PARDON (responsively)

Do not be afraid. God gives us living water, looks at us with compassion, and calls us to serve.

God loves us. God forgives us. God lifts us to new life. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Forgiven and given peace in Christ, may we also share Christ's peace with one another. The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

*PASSING of the PEACE and MOMENT of FELLOWSHIP

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

We Listen for God's Word

TIME with CHILDREN

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON - Psalm 107:1-9, 43

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SPECIAL MUSIC

"Jesus Calls Us"

Lani Smith

Regina Gabriel - Organ

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON - Luke 12:13-21

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SERMON

We Respond to God's Love

*HYMN #482

"Baptized in Water"

*AFFIRMATION of FAITH - Apostles' Creed (said in unison)

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.

SACRAMENT of BAPTISM

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

"Bunessan"

Richard Proulx

*The Doxology (sung in unison)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

God Invites Us to the Table

THE SACRAMENT of COMMUNION

The Invitation

Response

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.

The Thanksgiving and Prayers of the People

Response

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

The Lord's Prayer (said in unison)

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

The Supper Shared

God Sends Us into the World

*HYMN #716

"God Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

*BENEDICTION

As a sign of our unity in the body of Christ, please join hands with a neighbor for the benediction.

*ORGAN POSTLUDE

"Beach Spring"

Hal H Hopson

* Please rise and stand or rise in spirit.

Announcements and Parish Notes

SUNDAY, August 4

9:15 a.m. Coffee Hour
 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary Service
 11:00 a.m. Nurture Comm
 Bldg Use - Wolfgang

THURSDAY, August 8

11:00 a.m. TOPS
 1:00 p.m. Committal Service
 for Larry Bernhard
 at Nebo Cemetery in Kane
 8:00 p.m. AA - Candlelight

MONDAY, August 5

10:30 a.m. Lectionary at S Haley's
 8:00 p.m. AA - 12 Step

SUNDAY, August 11

9:15 a.m. Coffee Hour
 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary Service
 11:00 a.m. Deacons' Mtg

WEDNESDAY, August 7

10:00 a.m. Landmark Society
 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Canticle Farm

We welcome you to worship today. All people, of every age and background, are welcome here. If you would like to know more about this community of faith, please stay and talk with Rev Katherine Randall or Rev Rob Klouw, or contact us during the week. Welcome packets with information about First Church are available outside the chapel (in the Cleo Rankin Room) and the sanctuary (in the narthex).

Coffee hour, sponsored by the Nurture Committee, is held this morning in the church library.

Chancel flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Ruth & Ron Danielson** by Ron Danielson.

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered this morning to Aria Ella Marie Gribik, infant daughter of Kyla Elizabeth Raffele and Zachary Joseph Gribik and foster child of Randy & Cyle (Piganelli) Wolfgang, who was born January 24, 2019 in Bradford, PA.

In Memoriam

Gloria Hills

April 30, 1924 - July 27, 2019

A member of First Church since June 30, 1946

Ushers this morning are Creig Carman - Captain,

Lectionary Study Group will meet on Monday, August 5th, at the home of Sandy Haley (796 W Washington St) at 10:30 a.m. A picnic lunch will be enjoyed by all following the study.

Get Well/Thinking of You Cards ... Please remember Maverick Smith (177 Bordell Rd - Smethport, PA 16749), son of Chris & Melissa Smith and great grandson of Gus & Mary Ann Crissman with a card shower! He came home on July 26th but will be undergoing physical, occupational and speech therapy. **Also**, remember "John", grandson of Lettie Torrey with a card shower. John's cards can be sent c/o Lettie at 134 Constitution Ave.

Coffee Hour Volunteers needed! Volunteers are needed to host Coffee Hour in the library on Sunday mornings. There is a sign-up sheet in the library and we ask that you sign up for a date convenient for you. Responsibility for the day would be to put out supplies to serve coffee, tea and water and provide a light snack (muffins, cheese/crackers, fruit, etc).

The Canticle Farm Mission Partnership continues on Wednesdays. Volunteers are needed on Wednesdays to pick-up vegetable shares in Allegany and to provide hospitality during distribution at the church. A sign-up sheet is in the library.

Prayers Needed ...

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| * Dick Miller | * Ann Miller | * Nancy Engstrom |
| * Dave Swaney | * Tammy Stoddard | * Ann Glady |
| * Kim Proper | * Pat Geary | * Elisa Hayden |
| * Myra Barnes | * Loisanne Bay | * Darlene Drehmer |
| * Mia Huber | * Brian Moore | * Jill Parisella |
| * Alex Tingley | * Jack & Brenda Chiatara | * Jeanette Matto |
| * John, grandson of Lettie Torrey | | * Kathy Kresge |
| * Maverick Smith, son of Chris & Melissa Smith and great-grandson of Gus & Mary Ann Crissman | | |
| * Mary Heimel, Roy Heimel's sister-in-law | | |
| * Quinn Pollock, Melody Pollock's granddaughter | | |
| * Dale Jordan, brother of Joyce Jordan | | |
| * Alyssa Silvis, daughter of Martha Crissman | | |
| * Gretchen Tucker, daughter of Barb Sue | | |
| * Caroll Miser, son-in-law of Kay DeCorte | | |
| * Selene Colella, daughter of Vinny & Mary Colella | | |
| * Mark & Mary Anne Anderson, brother & sister-in-law of Dave Anderson | | |