



First Presbyterian

CHURCH OF PORTLAND

Service for the Lord's Day

May 22, 2022

6th Sunday of Easter

Please remember to silence your cell phone. 

Welcome to worship at FPC! Masks are no longer required for worship or church activities. Those who wish to continue masking are welcome to do so.

The Gathering

PRELUDE Sarabande *from* Suite for Organ Gerald Near
Prelude on *Suo Gân* Edwin T. Childs

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers Trad. Welsh
Christ has risen while earth slumbers; Christ has risen where hope died,
as he said and as he promised, as we doubted and denied.
Let the moon embrace the blessing; let the sun sustain the cheer;
let the world confirm the rumor: Christ is risen, God is here!

Christ has risen and forever lives to challenge and to change
all whose lives are messed or mangled, all who find religion strange.
Christ is risen, Christ is present making us what he has been:
evidence of transformation in which God is known and seen.

— John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1988

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!
The heavens proclaim God's righteousness;
and all the peoples behold God's glory.
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,
and give thanks to God's holy name!



** Please stand as you are able.*



* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Living God,
long ago, faithful people proclaimed the
good news of Jesus' resurrection,
and the world was changed forever.
Teach us to keep faith with them,
that our witness may be as bold, our
love as deep, and our faith as true.
Amen.

* **HYMN #645** Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above MIT FREUDEN ZART

* **INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Merciful God,
we look around and see neighbors in need.
We confess that like the crowd,
we have trampled over them to fulfill our own wants first.
Give us eyes to see those who need to be lifted up
and hearts to follow in your way.

Our prayers continue in silence.

* **LORD, HAVE MERCY** LAND OF REST

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.
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Text: Trad. liturgical text Tune: LAND OF REST, 8.7.8.7; American folk melody; arr. Richard Proulx, 1984

* **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear the good news!
The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
Believe the good news of the gospel:
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!



* **RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

LLANFAIR

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Alleluia!
Praise to you by both be given, Alleluia!
Every knee to you shall bow, Alleluia!
Risen Christ, triumphant now. Alleluia!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1739, alt. Tune: LLANFAIR, 7.7.7.7 with alleluias; Robert Williams, 1817

*** SHARING THE PEACE**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, we are also to forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you!

Please take a moment to be thankful for God's peace.

YOUTH MISSION TEAM COMMISSIONING

This year, our team will be serving with SLAM (Students Learning About Missions) in the Yakama Nation July 3-8.

MOMENT FOR MISSION - PENTECOST PAELLA ON THE PLAZA

The Word

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 67

Pew Bible, pg. 529 (OT)



ANTHEM

Alleluia

Rick Sowash

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

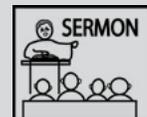
John 5:1-9

Pew Bible, pg. 96 (NT)

SERMON

“Stirred Up”

Rev. Brenna Dykman



*** HYMN #796**

We Come to You for Healing, Lord

LAND OF REST

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.



OFFERTORY Your Hands, O Lord, in Days of Old Carson Cooman

Your hands, O Lord, in days of old were strong to heal and save;
they triumphed over pain and death, o'er darkness and the grave.
To you they went, the blind, the mute, the palsied and the lame,
the leper set apart and shunned, the sick and those in shame.

And then your touch brought life and health, gave speech and strength and sight;
and youth renewed, with health restored, claimed you, the Lord of light.

And so, O Lord, be near to bless, almighty now as then,
in every street, in every home, in every troubled friend.

O be our mighty healer still, O Lord of life and death;
restore and strengthen, soothe and bless with your almighty breath.
On hands that work and eyes that see, your healing wisdom pour,
that whole and sick and weak and strong may praise you evermore.

— Edward H. Plumptre, 1866, *alt.*

Thank you for your faithful support of the church and Christ's ongoing ministry. You may give through the church website at this link: firstpresportland.ccbchurch.com/goto/giving or mail your check to the church office: 1200 SW Alder St., Portland, OR 97205. Those attending worship are invited to leave gifts in the offering plates as they leave the sanctuary.

* DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Text: Brian Wren, 1989 Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, LM with alleluias; *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*, 1623

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

THE 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.



The Sending

* HYMN #246 Christ Is Alive! TRURO

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE This Joyful Eastertide Alan Bullard

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WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Spencer Parks, Associate Pastor
Rev. Brenna Dykman, Interim Associate Pastor
Rev. Carmen Goetschius, Parish Associate
Greg Homza, Director of Music Ministries
Melissa Dailey, Lay Reader

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We join in holding in prayer:
Kathy Callas, Liz Dean, Ed & Janice Gehrig, Herb Grose, Bob Hastings,
Fran Hermanson, Myra Rounsavell, Tom Showalter, Pete Taylor, and others facing
illness and loss.

If you would like your name added to the prayer section of the weekly bulletin, or confidential prayers,
please contact the church office at office@firstpresportland.org or by phone at (503) 228-7331.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

This morning's sanctuary flowers are given in honor of our 63rd Wedding Anniversary, by John and Joyce Evans.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

“Art in the Christian Church” Series

From Genesis to Catacombs, Cathedrals and Beyond
Know and understand the art and architecture that continues to shape our worship spaces. Presented by Greg J. Lewis. Today, 12-1:00 pm, downstairs in the library with Session IV – The Liturgical Year, International Worship Spaces. The last session of this series will be on June 12.

Summer Blood Drive - June 7

Our Spring Blood Drive was such a success, we'll be holding another blood drive on Tuesday, June 7 from 11:00 am to 5:30 pm. You can sign up by going to the American Red Cross website and looking for our blood drive.

Registration is Open for Walk the Wildwood

You are invited! Saturday, August 13 is “Walk the Wildwood,” an event supporting Good Shepherd Primary School and Kamwenge Secondary and Vocational School in rural Kamwenge, Uganda. Read more and register online at <https://pim-africa.org/walk-oregon> and please invite friends to register and walk, too. You may choose either the 3.5 mile walk or the 7.5 mile walk.

Menucha Labor Day Retreat, September 2-4

Enjoy Menucha's spectacular scenery, marvelous meals, and an excellent community-building program. Whether you want an active weekend including swimming and hiking or would rather take things easy, you'll love this time to connect with our church community, draw closer to God and marvel at creation in the Columbia River Gorge. There's a Saturday-only option as well!

Neighborhood Carpool Drivers Needed

Are you able to share a ride from your neighborhood to FPC on Sunday? Some members are driving less and need a lift to church, others want to find ways to reduce energy use. If you are interested in carpooling from your neighborhood, please contact the Deacon's transportation coordinator, Bill Resley at kayak500@gmail.com or (713) 256-6658.

Menucha Volunteer Work Parties

Menucha has a full schedule of Volunteer Work Parties. If you'd like to mark your calendars for future work parties, they are all on Saturdays, 9:00-12:00: June 25, Sept 24, Oct 15, and Nov 5. Menucha is also hoping to start hosting mid-week volunteer shifts - let Cloie know if you might be interested in those - cloie@menucha.org.

Pentecost Paella on the Plaza - June 5

On Sunday, June 5, plan to remain after worship for Pentecost Paella on the Plaza! Paella is a delicious dish that originated in the Valencia region of Spain. We'll be enjoying Menucha's seafood and meatless versions in a special, festive celebration of being person-to-person post-pandemic (or so we hope)! Please RSVP here: <https://bit.ly/PentecostPaella>

Tuesday Women's Book Club

The Women's Book Club will meet on Tuesday, June 7 at 11:00 am on Zoom. Our book selection has changed to “A Single Thread” by Tracey Chevalier. Cindy Finch will lead the discussion. This historical novel takes place post-WWI in England and is about a guild of women who embroider kneelers at the historic Winchester Cathedral. For questions, contact Marilyn Weber at mlwschatzi@gmail.com. To join on Zoom, contact Jan Mittelstaedt at janrmitt@gmail.com.

2023 Uganda Mission Trip

Have you been considering joining the 2023 mission trip to Kamwenge Secondary and Vocational School in Kamwenge, Uganda? Maybe you've heard from prior mission team members about their experience and you wonder about making the trip yourself? If so, please join Pastor Spencer and Pastor Brenna for an informational evening where you can ask your questions and hear from previous mission team members. We will be hosting a potluck dinner on Wednesday June 8, 2022 at 6:00 pm in Calvin Library. Please RSVP to Kathryn Hill (hillka@teleport.com) by Monday, June 6.

Soft Goods Fundraiser Continues

We had such a good turnout for our Soft Goods offerings (**see details below*) that we are extending our collection. Items are being resold/recycled through a local thrift store and our youth will receive monetary compensation for each pound collected. Funds go to support youth mission trips! Bags of items can be left under the Soft Goods sign in Geneva Hall at any time. For more information, contact bdykman@gmail.com.

**All clothing including (men's, women's, children's), clothing accessories (hats, mittens, scarves, ties, nylons, socks, underwear), personal accessories (purses, wallets, fanny packs, bags), bed and bath (towels, sheets, blankets, pillows, curtains, tablecloths), shoes (all types) and other cloth materials. Please make sure items are washed before donating.*

Session Update

The Session approved a new strategic plan for FPC at its April meeting. Copies are now available in the church office.



“Christ at the Pool of Bethesda,” by Artus Wolffort



LOVE GOD.
LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS.

Vision Statement:

We commit to be a church that is:

Engaged. A forward-thinking and involved congregation committed to each other and to the wider community.

Inclusive. A faith community that affirms and welcomes all people.

Compassionate. A congregation that follows in Christ's way, advancing the well-being and dignity of all people, working for a just and equitable society, and caring for all creation.

Faithful. Living our faith authentically with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love while expanding the circle where God's love is known.

PRINCIPAL CHURCH STAFF

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