

FIRST



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON



May 19, 2019

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 19, 2019

Fifth Sunday of Easter

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE *Secondary Theme from Alleluias!*

Simon Preston

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 148

Leader: Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!

People: Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

Leader: Praise him, sun and moon;
praise him, all you shining stars!

People: Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!

Leader: Praise the Lord kings of the earth and all peoples,
princes and all rulers of the earth!

People: Young men and women alike, old and young
together! Let them praise the name of the Lord.

*HYMN NO. 447 *Lead On, O King Eternal*

LANCASHIRE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Creator of life, we find it hard to accept that you truly reside among us and with us. We refuse to recognize your presence in our world and prefer to hold on to that which brings despair. We accept cruelty as normal.

Forgive us and inspire us to embrace your blessed kingdom in this world. Make us new and help us become faith-filled citizens of your holy city. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: We know who God is by the love shown to us in Christ Jesus.

People: We will show others whose we are by our love.

Leader: This is the promise of the Gospel.

People: Thanks be to God; we are forgiven!

* Those who are able are invited to stand.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Hymn No. 579

*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.*

***THE PEACE**

The Peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Guide us, O God,
by your Word and Spirit,
that in your light we may see light,
in your truth find freedom,
and in your will discover your peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 21:1-6

*Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth;
for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away,
and the sea was no more.*

ANTHEM

Praise the Lord with Joyful Song

Hal H. Hopson

*Praise the Lord with joyful song, hail the Rock who saves us.
Offer God our grateful hearts, shout out loud thanks giving.
Mighty is the Lord our God, King above all Gods;
bless the Lord with joyful song; hail the Rock who saves us.
God made all the earth and sky, all creation's splendor.
Valleys green speak forth their praise; hills reflect His goodness.
The oceans also tell of God; the dry land He created.
God make all the earth and sky, all creation's splendor.
Come and worship, kneel before the Lord; bless His name.
He is gracious, loving, kind, and true. Bless His name.
He is Lord of all. We are His flock.
Come and worship, kneel before the Lord; bless His name.*

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

SERMON

New Heaven, New Earth

Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN NO. 376 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

HYFRYDOL

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Jesus Christ Our Lord Redeemer

J.S. Bach

*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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SENDING FORTH

*HYMN NO. 438 *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

DENNIS

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

Primary Theme from Alleluias

Simon Preston

WORSHIP NOTES – The original title of *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* was *Brotherly Love* and was written by John Fawcett, author of one hundred sixty-six hymns. Fawcett (1740-1817) was born in Lidget Green, Yorkshire, and at sixteen was converted to Christianity through the preaching of George Whitefield. He joined the Methodists but a few years later became a Baptist. At 25, he was ordained a Baptist pastor to the Wainsgate Baptist Church in West Yorkshire.

At age 32, he accepted a call to another church. His bags were packed and loaded on the wagon as he preached his farewell sermon. However, the members' tears and his wife's sadness as well as his own led him to give the order to unpack. It was this event that inspired the words to this hymn. He served at Wainsgate for the rest of his life.

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NACOME SUMMER CAMP - Registration is now open for summer camp at NaCoMe. There are week-long options for rising 3rd through 12th graders and 3-day long camps for rising 2nd through 5th graders. Online registration is available at nacome.org.

J.D PLANT'S ORGAN RECITAL AT ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL will be broadcast globally on Sunday, May 26, at 2:10 p.m. CDT. Anyone who would like to watch is invited to saintpatrickscathedral.org and click on Kilgen organ recital series and watch the live stream.



ROAR!
Vacation Bible School
Life is wild - God is good
June 24 - 26
5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

ROAR! Where kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. If you are interested in helping, please call the church office. We are looking for help with decorating, crafts, serving food, cleaning up, and being an "extra hand." We welcome your help for as little as one day or all three days.

THIS WEEK AT FPC

Today

8:45 a.m. Worship
9:45 a.m. Church School
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Session Meeting

Monday

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Brown Bag
6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday

10:00 a.m. Preschool
Graduation
6:30 p.m. Praise Team

Friday

Saturday

ELDERS

Class of 2019

Jeff Campbell

David Foutch

Carol Turner

Scott Williams

Class of 2020

Pat Bone

Dee Lineberger

Robin Orewiler

Wayne Patton

Class of 2021

Suanne Bone

Don Goodwin

Adrienne Johnson

David Howell

DIACONATE

Class of 2019

Jonathan Bouton

Mary Margaret Farris

Sandra Weatherford

Blair Welser

Class of 2020

Sondra Bishop

Linda Gatlin

Class of 2021

Becky Harm

Lee Lyle

Sandra Patton

Emily Peyton

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell

Treasurer – John Foutch

Budget & Finance – Dee Lineberger

Buildings and Grounds – David Foutch

Christian Education – Wayne Patton

Congregational Care – Adrienne Johnson

Outreach – Robin Orewiler

Personnel – Jeff Campbell

Worship – Carol Turner

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation

Pastor – Sherard Edington

Director of Music – Branson Clark

Organist – J. D. Plant

Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent

Preschool Director – Angela Hankins

Nursery – Sara Brown

Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children

Nursery

Preschool – 1st Grade

Elementary Class

Middle School Class

High School Class

Adult

Atypical Class

Cross Roads Class

Faith Builders Class

Westminster Class

Women's Class

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