

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
AUGUST 16, 2015

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

10:00 AM

RINGING OF THE BELL

OPENING VOLUNTARY

SONATA IN B FLAT  
JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

G.F. HANDEL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAROLINE KELLY

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
And also with you.

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

ROLFE SINGERMAN

Great are the works of the Lord.  
Full of honor and majesty is God's work.  
The Lord is gracious and merciful.  
The works of God's hands are faithful and just.  
Sisters and brothers, praise the Lord!  
The Lord's name be praised!

\* HYMN #35

PRAISE YE THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

"LOBE DEN HERREN"

CALL TO CONFESSION

CAROLINE KELLY

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess  
that we have not followed your way.  
You bestow the gift of wisdom,  
yet we continue in our foolishness.  
You provide the bread of life,  
yet we persist in the ways of death.  
Forgive us, God of grace.  
Help us to make better use  
of the lives you have given us,  
giving glory to you in all things;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord ...

*(Time for silent reflection and prayer)*

KYRIE ELEISON #437

YOU ARE THE LORD, GIVER OF MERCY

"WANDERING STRANGER"

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!  
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!  
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

\* **RESPONSE #623**

*I'VE GOT PEACE LIKE A RIVER*

"PEACE LIKE A RIVER"

I've got peace like a river; I've got peace like a river;  
I've got peace like a river, in my soul. *(repeat)*

\* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
And also with you.

*(Please greet one another with the peace of Christ.)*

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

ROLFE SINGERMAN

**FIRST READING**

PSALM 111

**SOLO**

NOCTURNE

B. ED. MULLER

PHILIP KLICKMAN, HORN; JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

**SECOND READING**

I KINGS 2:10-12; 3:3-14

CAROLINE KELLY

**SERMON**

"A WISE AND DISCERNING MIND"

REV. CAROLINE KELLY

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\* **HYMN #450**

*BE THOU MY VISION*

"SLANE"

**SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS**

CAROLINE KELLY

*(Since our service is broadcast on the radio, please make sure  
you have permission to request prayer on behalf of another person.)*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

ROLFE SINGERMAN

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

ROMANCE

C. SAINT-SAENS

PHILIP KLICKMAN, HORN; JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

\* **DOXOLOGY #647**

*GIVE THANKS*

"GIVE THANKS"

Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;  
give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.  
And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the poor say,  
"We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"  
Give thanks. Give thanks.

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\* HYMN #742

WE WILL WALK WITH GOD

“SIZOHAMBA NAYE”

*(See the screen in front for the words and add a joyful noise with your percussion instrument.)*

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

REV. CAROLINE KELLY

\* SUNG BENEDICTION #306

BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS

DENNIS

*(Please join hands as we sing together.)*

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

IMPROVISATION ON “SIZOHAMBA NAYE”

JUDITH BROWN, ORGAN

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\* When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.  
Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

### WORSHIP NOTE

Today's reading from I Kings features the legendary wisdom of King Solomon. Considered a patron of wisdom teachers and a master of great personal wisdom, tradition credits Solomon with writing Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and the Song of Solomon, much as his father, King David, was credited with writing the Psalms.

Wisdom literature differs in content and style from the rest of the Bible, providing practical advice on farming, choosing a wife, table manners at court, as well as speculations on the nature of divine justice and the mysteries of nature, among other things.

**Something to Ponder at Home This Week:** In the passage from I Kings for today, we read that “At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, ‘Ask what I should give you.’” (I Kgs. 3:5). If God said to you, “Ask what I should give you,” how would you respond?

### THIS MORNING’S WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher..... Rev. Caroline Kelly  
Liturgist..... Rolfe Singerman  
Director of Music /Organist.....Judith Brown  
Musician.....Phil Klickman, Horn  
Sound Technician.....Joe Aurigemma  
Ushers.....Jane and Buck Belt  
Thank you to this morning’s acolyte and bell ringer.



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## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME VISITORS:** We are glad you found your way to First Presbyterian Church of Cumberland. For more information about opportunities to worship, learn and serve with us, we encourage you to visit the table outside the church office. You can also learn more about us at [www.fpc-cumberland.org](http://www.fpc-cumberland.org) and [www.facebook.com/First.Pres.Cumberland](https://www.facebook.com/First.Pres.Cumberland). Childcare is provided in the nursery. An usher will be glad to direct you there.

**FRIENDSHIP PADS:** Please locate and sign the red pad in your pew, tear off the sheet and place it in the collection plate during the offering. This important practice allows us to be mindful of new folks and long-time members as well, and is a good way to learn (or remember) the names of those with whom you are seated.

**PERSONAL LISTENING DEVICES:** (amplifiers) are available in the back of the church for use during worship. Please see an usher for assistance.

**WORSHIP BROADCASTS:** Our worship services are broadcast live on Sunday mornings by WCBC AM Radio, thanks to the generosity of members and friends. You can sponsor a broadcast (or share a sponsorship with someone) for \$75. If you are interested, please contact Deb Hendrickson or the church office. This morning's broadcast is made possible by the generosity of Deb and Gary Hendrickson!

**We need sponsors for September 20 and October 4!**

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS:** The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are from the wedding of Elizabeth Getty and Jesse Ritter and are given by them to the Glory of God in loving memory of Jean Dee (Getty) Kiemle.

**There is an opening for flowers on September 27!**

**Please contact Michael Levitas or the church office if you would like to sponsor flowers.**

## MISSION

**MISSION OUTREACH DINNER:** Our monthly outreach dinner will be held **Sunday, August 23**, at the HRDC building on Virginia Avenue. Dinner will be hamburgers and hotdogs and will be served from 4-5:30PM. If anyone can volunteer to bring cupcakes AND/OR volunteer to serve dinner, please let Sandi Rowland or Judy Stern know.

## BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

**SAVE THE DATE: CHURCH FALL CLEAN UP DAY!** On Saturday, **October 3<sup>rd</sup>**, the Buildings & Grounds Committee invites you to come out and help clean up the church and grounds from 9AM-12PM.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**NURSERY WORKER POSITION AVAILABLE:** The First Presbyterian Church of Cumberland is seeking a part-time caregiver for our church nursery. If you know someone who loves children and wants to be a loving caregiver in a Christian environment, please encourage him or her to send a resume to [firstpresbyteriansecretary@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresbyteriansecretary@gmail.com) to be considered. Thank you!

**MEN'S RETREAT** is scheduled for October 10th at Penn Alps. Rev. Walt Peters (our recent guest preacher) will be our facilitator. For information contact Bryan Wodaski at [301-268-5947](tel:301-268-5947).

**BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING:** Calling teachers and students of all ages! Anyone who is preparing to begin a new school year in August or September is invited to bring your backpack or school bag or brief case and come forward during worship on **Sunday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>** for a special blessing. Mark your calendars now!

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE & OUTREACH

**HIGHLANDERS GROUP** will meet tomorrow, August 17<sup>th</sup>, at Ruby Tuesdays on National Highway in LaVale at noon. All over 50 are invited! If you have any questions, or if you need a ride, please contact Mary Gallion at 301-759-3607.

## FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

<b>ANNUAL GIVING YEAR-TO-DATE:</b>	<b>as of August 9, 2015</b>
Total 2015 Pledges Promised	\$249,144.74
Pre-paid pledges	\$ 28,424.74
<u>2015 Pledge Balance Promised</u>	<u>\$220,720.00</u>
Pledge Balance Received Year-to-Date	\$ 133,750.00
Pledge Balance Promised Year-to-Date	\$ 133,265.00
Over/(Under)	\$ 485.00

<b>SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>August 10, 2014</b>	<b>August 9, 2015</b>
	78	64

## STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Our Church exists to worship God and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Spirit, we shall serve God's Kingdom by loving our neighbors and promoting peacemaking, justice and care of the earth.

## STATEMENT OF VISION

We embrace open and progressive theology. Through education, training, worship and Session leadership we will realize our vision both individually and in community. We will be open to new ideas and programs while staying true to our beliefs and traditions. We will commit our personal and corporate resources to embody our Statement of Purpose. We will live our lives responsibly with honesty and integrity.

## OUR STAFF

Teaching Elder/Pastor.....	Rev. Caroline M. Kelly
Director of Christian Music .....	Judie Brown
Youth Ministries Coordinator.....	Robby May
Executive Administrative Assistant.....	Brittany Jackson
Sound Tech/Security.....	Joe Aurigemma
Sexton.....	John Brown

## THE SESSION

### **Class of 2016:**

Dale Corley, Kaitlyn Kauffman, Cathy Levitas, Bill McElvie and Sandi Rowland

### **Class of 2017:**

Sandra Burton, Cindy Corley, Bob Courtney, Ann Kellermeyer and Bryan Wodaski

### **Class of 2018:**

Carl Belt, Carolyn Mathews, Judy Stern, and Tim Workmeister

Clerk of Session.....	Ann Kellermeyer
Moderator.....	Caroline Kelly

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

### SUNDAY, AUGUST (16)

10:00AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

### MONDAY, AUGUST (17)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

### TUESDAY, AUGUST (18)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN  
4:00 PM STEWARDSHIP MEETING IN THE PARLOR  
6:30PM SANCTUARY PROJECT COMMITTEE MEETING  
IN THE PARLOR

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST (19)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN  
10:30 AM STAFF MEETING IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE  
12:00 PM CAFÉ MARK LECTIONARY STUDY  
6:30 PM LUKE BIBLE STUDY IN THE PASTOR'S OFFICE  
7:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL  
7:00PM CHOIR GATHERING AT JUDIE BROWN'S HOME

### THURSDAY, AUGUST (20)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN  
7:00 PM SESSION MEETING IN THE LIBRARY

### FRIDAY, AUGUST (21)

9:00 AM CHURCH OFFICE OPEN

### SATURDAY, AUGUST (22)

6:00 PM N.A. GROUP MEETING IN THE LIBRARY

### SUNDAY, AUGUST (23)

10:00AM SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING  
4:00 PM HRDC MISSION OUTREACH DINNER



# FALL CHURCH KICKOFF For ALL Ages

**BRING YOUR FRIENDS!**

**Sunday, September 13**

**Rocky Gap State Park: Lakeview Pavilion  
Worship at 11AM and Picnic to follow at Noon**

**Bounce house, canoe and kayak rides,  
games, and live music!**

Baked and fried chicken and drinks will be provided.

**Bring blankets and chairs and a salad, side dish,  
or dessert to share.**

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Name of Individual/Family: \_\_\_\_\_

Number Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We will bring: **Circle one** - Salad - Side Dish - Dessert

I/We request transportation from church: \_\_\_\_\_

Please detach and return in the offering plate or call the church office at 301-777-3700 by **Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>**.

Co-hosted by the Christian Education, Congregational Care & Outreach,  
and Worship & Music Committees.