# First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 5, 2017 10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness" arr. Wold

Call to Worship

Our help is the name of the Lord

who made heaven and earth.

This is the day the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

\* Hymn 503 "Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation" *Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.* 

- \* Call to Confession
- \* Prayer of Confession

Almighty God,

we have asked for your righteous judgment against others, but we have not acknowledged the sin in our own lives.

We have worshiped you with our lips,

but have dishonored you with our actions.

We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world, yet we have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others.

Our religion has become the source of quarreling rather than a testimony to your grace.

Forgive our self-righteousness and give us integrity of heart, that we may shine forth the light of your salvation, through Christ our Lord.

- \* Silent Confession
- \* Assurance of Pardon and Passing of the Peace
- \* Response 583 "Glory to God"

Glory to God! Glory to God! Glory in the highest! Glory to God! Glory to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Matthew 5:13-20 (NT p. 4)

A Time with Children

Special Music "In Christ There is No East or West" arr. A.L. Page

Second Lesson: Isaiah 58:1-14 (OT p. 688)

Sermon: "Should Church Feel Good?" Rev. Carter

arr. Childs

### **RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

- \* Hymn 506 "Look Who Gathers at Christ's Table"
- \* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Offering

Offertory "Bread of Life, Our Host and Meal"

\* Doxology (606)

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

The Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Please hold the bread until all are served, so that we might share it as a sign of our unity in Christ. As a sign of individual devotion and commitment, you may drink the cup as you are served.

### GO IN GOD'S NAME

- \* Hymn 529 "Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether"
- \* Charge and Benediction
- \* Congregational Amen 601
- \* Postlude "I Am the Bread of Life" arr. Childs

\_\_\_\_\_

**The flowers** this morning have been given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ma Jones by Shelley Lang and Heather Lyons.

#### PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

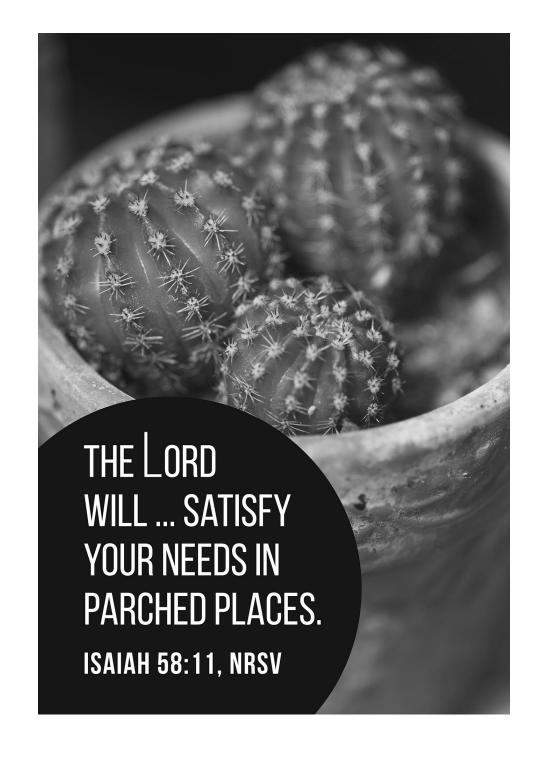
Rev. William G. Carter Pastor Coordinator of Children and Youth Jana Schillinger Director of Music Frank Jones Director of Bell Choir Richard Cochrane Kay Ten Eyck Organist Liturgist Nancy Owens Ushers John Diven, Laura Schillinger Welcomers Janet Stansbury



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

First Presbyterian Church 300 School Street Clarks Summit, PA 18411 570/586-6306

www.fpccs.org



<sup>\*</sup> All who are able shall stand.

## Matthew 5:13-20

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

## Isaiah 58:1-14

Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God.

"Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do

today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.