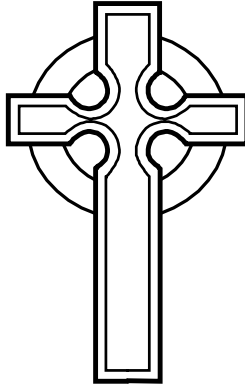


First Presbyterian Church

Middletown, Ohio
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May 16, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.



Prelude

Amazing Love! How Can It Be?

Mary McDonald

Call to Worship

From Psalm 47

Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with loud songs of joy.
For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome,
a great king over all the earth.
God has gone up with a shout,
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.
Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.
For God is the king of all the earth;
sing praises with a psalm.

Hymn #267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Sarah Thornbery, soprano

Madrid

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hymnal #447

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

John 14:1-7

Sermon

“I Am the Road”

Michael Isaacs

Anthem

I Sing the Mighty Power of God
Handbell Ensemble

Sondra Tucker

Affirmation of Faith

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Welcome and Announcements

Bibles for Graduates

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (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 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.

*** Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us Arr. Shelton R. Love



Our Life Together...

Leading Worship today: Michael Isaacs, Pastor; Joyce Zigler, Director of Music Ministries/Organist; Janet Scott, Worship Pianist/Director of Handbells; Handbell Ensemble; Jim Harris, Sound Technician; Debbie Cover, Barista.

Handbell Ensemble: Janet Scott, Phil Thornbery, Sarah Thornbery and Lynne Wiley.

Hearing aids and large print bulletins are available for use during the worship services. Please contact an usher for assistance.

Join us after worship outside the Gathering Area doors for Fellowship Hour. (This is weather-permitting.)

Please continue to be diligent about wearing a mask and social distancing during in-person worship. Session will consider the implications of the latest CDC guidance on May 25.

Announcements

Mission Opportunity for you! Each year we coordinate with Highview Sixth Grade Center to provide school supplies and STEAM materials. The Mission Committee is recruiting a new coordinator(s) to get the supply list from the school and work with the congregations to get the needed supplies to the school.

Next Sunday is Pentecost! Wear something red. A choral ensemble will be singing.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study on May 18 at 10:00. We will be meeting by Zoom. This week we will be reading from Revelation 20.

Kirkmont Summer Camp scholarships are available. Kirkmont's goal is to provide participants with a renewing camp, outdoor education, or retreat experience. Our church supports Kirkmont in a variety of ways, including scholarships that enable campers to participate. Scholarship applications are available in the church office, due by June 1. Visit <https://www.kirkmontcenter.org> or contact Lisa Kaufer for more information.

Congratulations to our graduates!

Melanie Bell Edwards graduated from Bowling Green University with a BS in Marine Biology, graduating Cum Laude. Her parents are David and Melissa Edwards and her grandparents are Pat and Suzanne Edwards.

Madeline Elizabeth Edwards, graduated from Springboro High School and will attend Ohio Northern in the School of Pharmacy. Her parents are David and Melissa Edwards and her grandparents are Pat and Suzanne Edwards.

Sierra Jenkins graduated from Middletown High School. Her parents are Steve and Lindsey Jenkins and her grandparents are Terry and Charlie Mack.

Lillian Jeanette Krauss graduated from Father Ryan High School in Nashville, TN. Lillian's parents are Viktor and Kristi Krauss and her grandparents are Bill and Joyce Triick.

LaTeria Shawnae Allene Saunders graduated from Middletown High School. Her mother is LaTisha Saunders and her grandmother is Bonnie Saunders.

Prayer list

Please submit any prayer requests for today's service to Michael before the worship service begins, the submitted requests will be included here next week.