



CAMP HILL  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH



Sixth Sunday of Eastertide

May 5, 2024 10:30 a.m.

# Welcome!

*Childcare is available from 10 a.m. to noon in Room 3 of the Kuhn Education Wing.  
We also invite children to use our activity area in the sanctuary.*

*Assistive listening devices are available at the sound booth (rear of sanctuary).*

*Lynn and Bill Clark provided the flowers this morning in memory and honor of loved ones.*

*Worship begins with the first note of the prelude — may we silence our voices and open our hearts, allowing the music to draw us together into the presence of God.*

Prelude

*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

William Moore  
arr. Carolyn Hamlin

Welcome

\*Call to Worship (from Psalm 8)

L: O sing to the Lord a new song in the heavenly chorus.

P: **God's victory is already known, near and far.**

L: For God remembers his steadfast love and faithfulness to us.

P: **And all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.**

L: Let the sea roar and all that fills it;

P: **The world and those who live in it.**

L: For God will judge the world with righteousness,

P: **And the peoples with equity.**

\*Hymn 462

*I Love to Tell the Story*

\*Call to Confession

Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. Therefore, let us confess our sins, first in silence and then in our common prayer of confession. Let us pray.

\*Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we**

*\*Those who are able are asked to please stand.*

do not hear the cries of the oppressed, and are indifferent to calls for peace; we despair the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

\*Assurance of Pardon

L: Hear the good news of God's promise: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.  
Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. Christ is risen!

P: **He is risen, indeed!**

\*Gloria Patri

*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.*

First Scripture Reading (NT, p.109)

John 15:9-17

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

*Find Us Faithful*

Jon Mohr

The Chancel Choir with Nathan Bankert, soloist

Second Scripture Reading (NT, p.241)

1 John 5:1-6

L: This is the word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

The Rev. Stuart Seelman

\*Hymn 714

*God of the Fertile Fields*

Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Gratitude*  
Nathan Banker, soloist

Brandon Lake, Dante Bowe,  
and Benjamin Hastings

\*Doxology (Tune: "Old Hundredth")

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

\*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, we lie down before you our labors and our lives as we remember that there is no greater love than yours. Continue to bless our efforts and our relationships that they may reflect your risen glory on earth. Amen.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Gathering Hymn 526

*Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving/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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, replenished at your table, we trust that your commands are not burdensome, that a meager faith in you can conquer the world, and that your Spirit testifies through us. Guide us in the way of love and bear fruit that will last as we come to abide in you. Amen.

\*Hymn 703

*Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

\*Benediction

Postlude

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Joseph Prentiss

*Our guest soloist today is Nathan Bankert, who has taught music in the public school system at all levels for 18 years. For the past decade, he has proudly served as the director of choral activities at Pequea Valley High School in Kinzers. There, he conducts the Concert Choir and the auditioned Chamber Singers. Under his direction, the Chamber Singers have received Superior ratings and “Most Outstanding Choir” awards in festivals throughout the northeastern United States and Canada. The group also has performed at Pennsylvania Music Educators Association and American Choral Directors Association conferences, the Basilica in Baltimore, St. John the Divine in New York, and the Candlelight Processional at Disney World.*

*Since 2019, Nathan has served as praise and worship leader at First Presbyterian Church in Lancaster. There, he leads worship in a variety of musical styles every Sunday for the 9 a.m. service.*

*Nathan is an active member of the Lancaster-Lebanon Music Educators Association, PMEA, National Association for Music Education, and the ACDA. He holds several degrees, including a master’s degree in choral conducting from Messiah College (now Messiah University) and a bachelor’s degree in music education/voice from West Chester University. Nathan lives in Sinking Spring with his wife, Lindsay; three boys, Sawyer, Jude, and Milo; and their golden-retriever, Millie.*

## CHPC WEEKLY CALENDAR

### **Monday, May 6**

10 a.m. — Staff Meeting; Pastor's Study

1 p.m. — Quilters & Crafters for Mission; Q&C Room

### **Tuesday, May 7**

6 p.m. — West Shore A.A. Big Book Study; Fellowship Hall

### **Wednesday, May 8**

10 a.m. — Prayer Fellowship; Blue Room

Noon — Preschool Staff Meeting; Fellowship Hall (window side)

6 p.m. — Handbell Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

7 p.m. — Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

### **Thursday, May 9**

10 a.m. — Dorcas Circle Meeting; Quilters & Crafters Room

### **Saturday, May 11**

9:30 a.m. — PW Second Saturday Breakfast; Silver Spring Diner

### **Sunday, May 12**

8:30 a.m. — ARISE Worship Service; Sanctuary

9 a.m. — Exegesis Adult Sunday School Class; Blue Room and via Zoom

9 a.m. — Men's Bible Study; Green Room

9:45 a.m. — Chancel Choir Rehearsal; Music Room

10:30 a.m. — Worship Service; Sanctuary

## IT'S HAPPENING AT CHPC

- The **Cedar Cliff Sinfonietta**, a string ensemble from the West Shore School District under the direction of Morgan Hackett, will **perform at CHPC today at 2 p.m.** The students are excited to present a collection of pieces by composers such as Bach, Mozart, Shostakovich, Vivaldi, and Saint-Saens. Please join us for this free event, which will be followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall.
- The May/June/July “Camp Hill Press” newsletter was mailed this week. Included in the mailing was an **Estimate of Giving card**. Our season of stewardship has begun. Please prayerfully consider your pledge, and **bring your completed card to the Sunday, May 19, worship service for consecration**. Thank you for being a faithful steward.
- All women are invited to **Presbyterian Women’s Spring Gathering on Sunday, May 19, at noon in Fellowship Hall**. The event will include a luncheon, a business meeting and election of officers, a painting presentation by Dick Michaelian, and fellowship. A donation of \$2 is asked; see any PW board member to purchase a ticket.
- **Kellen Mikesell will present “Celebrating the Classics,”** a violin and piano recital featuring the music of Bach, Sibelius, and Beethoven, on **Saturday, May 25, at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary**. Kellen, the son of Malinda and Byron Mikesell, has performed during worship to the delight of the congregation. He is a student at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y.
- **MATE stock is now on sale each Sunday in the Gathering Place**. Purchase of stock sponsorships supports this ministry, which CHPC has been participating in for decades. See someone at the table with the MATE bear for more information.
- **The Harrisburg Area Food Pantry is in need of toilet paper, bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste, and deodorant**. Please leave these items, as well as non-perishable food items, in the Donation Station area of the Gathering Place.
- As a Community Aid partner, we receive checks reflecting the amount of donations made to our two bins (located in the parking lot). **Those funds are used to support CHPC Preschool scholarships for families in need**. Please drop clothing items you are donating in the bins; if you have household items, please take them to the Community Aid store/donation center and tell them our **Partner Number is 10220**.

## STATEMENT OF WELCOME & INCLUSION

As followers of Jesus, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person as created in the image of God. We are committed to creating an inclusive space of belonging and safety. Therefore, this community of faith welcomes into full participation, membership, and leadership persons of diverse age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical and mental ability, level of education, class, and income.

Rooted in the Reformed tradition, we affirm that “God alone is Lord of the conscience,” allowing for a breadth of diverse theological and biblical interpretations. We covenant to accept, respect, and love one another as we apply our faith in the circumstances of our lives and in the matters of our world.

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