



First Presbyterian Church, Lancaster, PA | April 26, 2026
The Fourth Sunday of Easter | 10:30 a.m.

Leading in Worship Today

The Rev. Dan Snyder
The Rev. Claire George-Drumheller

MUSIC

Dr. William Wright, Director of Music
Matt Weaver, Organist
The Chancel Choir

*Today we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism of Presley Louise Sarver,
child of Shawn and Alicia Sarver.*

** Please stand in body or in spirit.*

PRELUDE ***St. Columba***
Brother James' Air

arr. Healey Willan
arr. Franklin Ashdown

WELCOME

INTROIT ***O Brother Man***

Music by Alfred Scott-Gatty (1902)
Poetry of John Greenleaf Whittier (1848)

O brother man, fold to thy heart thy brother; where pity dwells, the peace of God is there;
To worship rightly is to love each other, each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.
Then shall all shackles fall, the stormy clangor of wild war music o'er the earth shall cease;
Love shall tread out the baleful fire of anger, and in its ashes plant the tree of peace.

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from John 10)

ONE: We come to worship the risen Christ.

ALL: Alleluia! Praise to Christ, the good shepherd!

ONE: Alleluia! Praise to Christ, the gate!

ALL: Alleluia! Praise to Christ, the lamb!

ONE: Alleluia! Praise to Christ, our savior!

ALL: Christ is risen still! Alleluia! Let us worship God.

*HYMN #637 ***O Sing to the Lord***

CANTAI AO SENHOR

*CALL TO CONFESSION (from Psalm 23)

ONE: Friends, God is our shepherd. Do not fear. Confident in God's saving love, let us confess our sin that God may restore our souls.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Holy One, we confess to you and to one another that we have not always followed Christ's example. When we have been harmed, we are harmful in return. When we hear unkind words, we add more unkindness to the world. When grace is withheld from us, we withhold grace from others. We have gone astray. Lead us back into your fold, and guard our lives, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

(silent confession)

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (from 1 Peter 2:24-25)

ONE: Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds, we have been healed.

ALL: For we were going astray like sheep, but now we have returned to the shepherd.

ONE: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven.

ALL: Alleluia! Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE *Glory Be to the Father*

Henry W. Greatorex



Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be-
gin-ning, is now, and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, a - men.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

ONE: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

ONE: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORSHIP ARTS BLESSING

Children through 7th grade can meet their Worship Arts teachers at the front of the sanctuary.

God be with you here.

God be with you there.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

ALL: Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit, so that we may proclaim the good news of abundant life. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: **Psalm 23** (pg 388 OT in the pew Bible)

After each reading:

ONE: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: **John 10:1-10** (pg 79 NT in the pew Bible)

SERMON

*HYMN #187 *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

BRADBURY

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

ALL: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANTHEM *To the Lamb on the Throne*

Dan Forrest

During this time of music, you are welcome to come forward to present your offerings, to leave a prayer request, or to light a candle as a symbol of your prayer.

Worthy the Lamb.

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad His wonderful name;
The name all-victorious of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

Worthy the Lamb.

"Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!" Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son;
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.
Worthy the Lamb.

God rules in the height, almighty to save; though hid from our sight, His presence we have,
The great congregation His triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.
Worthy the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give Him His right, all glory and power, all wisdom and might;
All honor and blessing with angels above, and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.
Worthy the Lamb!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.

*HYMN #234 *Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain*

ST. KEVIN

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *To the Lord Our God*

Dimitri Stepanovitch Bortniansky

To the Lord our God everlasting in glory,

Lift up your hearts! Rejoice in Him! Rejoice in God! Hallelujah!

POSTLUDE *Fanfare-Rondeau on "Victory"*

Brenda Portman

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Chancel Flowers

*Today's flowers are given in celebration of the birthday of
Chris Paul and in remembrance of his twin brother, John.*

Welcome, Visitors!

We would love to reach out and say hello! Write your contact information on the back of an orange prayer card and place it in the offering plate or hand it to any volunteer with a nametag. We are grateful you have joined us for worship and hope you will come back again soon and often.



Chestnut
Housing

FPC Service Project—Saturday Edition! with Chestnut Housing Saturday, May 30 | 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Please save the date for a special Saturday service project with Chestnut Housing, one of the recipients of this quarter's mission giving. In early 2024, Chestnut Housing was awarded control of the site now known as Dinah's Hill (formerly the Strawberry Hill Restaurant), with the plan to create affordable apartments, as well as office and meeting space for the organization and local neighborhood groups. FPC volunteers will help with light cleaning and setup; this opportunity is appropriate for ages 13 and older. More details will be shared as the date gets closer.

Save The Date! ALL CHURCH PICNIC

SUNDAY, JUNE 14
NOON-3:00 P.M.

LANCASTER COUNTY CENTRAL PARK
PAVILION 1



Ways to Give: Mission Giving



Our second quarter mission giving supports our partners that serve those in the Lancaster community experiencing housing insecurity.

Clare House (344 E. Chestnut St.) is a transitional housing program for mothers and children facing homelessness. Clare House has an employment-focused program that provides safety, housing, and supportive services with the goal of financial stability. www.clarehouse Lancaster.org

Tenfold (105 E. King St.) operates TLC, a 52-room shelter that provides temporary housing and support services for individuals, couples, families, and veterans experiencing homelessness. www.WeAreTenfold.org/TLC

Chestnut Housing (434 E. Chestnut St.) provides affordable rental housing to people experiencing homelessness, and they are committed to supporting affordable housing solutions in the City of Lancaster. www.chestnuthousing.org

Mission Opportunities

Donation Opportunity

SDOL Families in Transition

This program serves students from the School District of Lancaster who are living with housing insecurity. Their goal is to have a student's education continue as uninterrupted as possible.

We can help by donating the following items. Look for a drop off tub in the narthex (adjacent to the sanctuary) and Shirk Hall.

- Shampoo and conditioner
- Teen/adult socks (no shows or calf length)
- Body wash
- Underwear (kids and adult sizes)
- Body lotion
- Deodorant (men and women)
- Toothpaste
- Gift cards to our local CommunityAid Thrift Store

Volunteer Opportunities

Contact Patti Overly for more info or to volunteer: patti@fpclancasterpa.org

Power Packs Project

Monday, May 11 | 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Greenfield Park, 1915 Olde Homestead Lane, Suite 102, Lancaster

Crispus Attucks Food Pantry

Wednesday, May 13 & 27 | 12:45-3:45 p.m.

Volunteer parking lot- 412 Locust Street, Lancaster
or carpool from Wegman's lot.

Chestnut Housing Service Project

Saturday, May 30 | 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Service project at Dinah's Hill site (former Strawberry Hill restaurant, 128 W Strawberry St., Lancaster)

**Photos from the All FPC Family Ministry Park Meetup,
held Sunday, April 19.**



SUMMER CHORAL CAMP

For rising 3rd-12th grade students
(2026/2027 school year)

JUNE 22-26 / 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
at First Presbyterian Church / 140 E Orange St / Lancaster


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A day camp for
students who
love music and want to
explore and develop
their musicality
in a fun
choir setting



SCHOLARSHIPS NEEDED

Please consider a financial gift to support our Children & Youth Ministries this summer. Summer Choral Camp needs seven scholarships at \$225 each, and the Honduras Youth Mission Team is raising \$3,000 to add a fifth clinic day to their week of service. Donations can be made through the QR code or by check, indicating Honduras or Choral Camp in the memo line.



Family Ministry



Katie Kindig
Director of Family Ministry

Celebrating Children at FPC

Dear parents of young children,

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house! All are welcome!

Sit toward the front where it is easier for little ones to see and hear what's going on. They tire of seeing the backs of others' heads.

Quietly explain the parts of the service and actions of the pastor, ushers, musicians, etc.

Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.

If you have to leave the service with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

Remember, the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the church, to God, and to one another. Let them know they are at home in this house of worship.

Dear church members,

The presence of children is a gift to the church and they are a reminder that our congregation is growing.

Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

Large-print hymnals are available. Please alert an usher or greeter if you would like one for today's service.

Sunday Mornings

The Nursery

Suggested for 6wks up to 4yrs

Second Floor, open 9:00-11:30 a.m. / Professional Staff

Nursery students engage in free-play, a short Scripture lesson and organized activity time.

We ask that you assist with your student's hand-washing upon arrival. We have hand sanitizer stations as well.

A nut-free snack is provided. Please bring a labeled water bottle and alternative snacks if needed. A changing table, with quiet room are also available.

Worship Arts Faith Formation

Suggested for 4yrs through grade 7

Worship Arts begins with a combined lesson and then splits to separate age-appropriate groups to study. A peanut free snack is offered.

Taught by FPC volunteer teachers, we study Scripture through reading, dramatic play, storytelling, and song.

Students begin worship in Shirk Hall (9:00 a.m.) OR the sanctuary (10:30 a.m.) with their families.

Teachers will escort students who wish to participate in Worship Arts to the upper level following the "Worship Arts Blessing."

Parents attending the 9:00 a.m. service - Students will be escorted back to you before the end of the service.

Parents attending the 10:30 a.m. service - Students will return to the sanctuary at the end of worship or can be picked up in the lobby.

Youth Ministry

Designed for grades 7-12 and led by Family Ministry staff and volunteers.

April 26-Kayaking with KayakLanCo; registration closed.

Online prayer
request here:



**Guest WIFI Password:
Welcome2FPC**