

First Presbyterian Church, Lancaster, PA | May 31, 2026 | 10:30 a.m.

Trinity Sunday



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

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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Improvisation on "Nicaea"*

Alfred V. Fedak

WELCOME

INTROIT *Holy Father, Great Creator*

Henry Thomas Smart

Holy Father, great Creator, source of mercy, love, and peace,
Look upon the mediator, clothe us with his righteousness;
Heavenly Father, heavenly Father, through the Savior hear and bless.

Holy Jesus, Lord of glory, whom angelic hosts proclaim,
While we hear thy wondrous story, meet and worship in thy name.
Dear redeemer, dear redeemer, in our hearts thy peace proclaim.

Holy Spirit, sanctifier, come with unction from above,
Touch our hearts with sacred fire, fill them with the Savior's love.
Source of comfort, source of comfort, cheer us with the Savior's love.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: Over the past months in our worship and praise, the work of God has been unfolding.

ALL: Through Christmas and Epiphany, we celebrated God taking on flesh and moving into our neighborhood.

ONE: Through Eastertide, we celebrated Christ's death and resurrection for us.

ALL: On Pentecost, we celebrated God the Holy Spirit becoming our Teacher and Guide.

ONE: Our discipleship is rooted in the mighty acts of the Triune God—Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

ALL: Let us worship God.

*HYMN #1 *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!*

NICAEA

*CALL TO CONFESSION

ONE: We are created in God's image, and we are called good, but too often our actions distort that image and fail to reflect God's goodness back to the world. Let us return to who we were made to be as we confess.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: God in three persons, blessed Trinity, your very nature teaches us how to love one another. Yet we divide ourselves according to social class and race, gender and age, ability and orientation. Divisions deepen our prejudice and distance us from one another and from you. Teach us how to pray; teach us how to love; teach us to be one, as you are one.

(silent confession)

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

ONE: God knows who we were made to be and has been waiting to help restore us to ourselves, to each other, to community.

ALL: In Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! 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.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The melody is written on a treble clef. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff ends with a double bar line, and the second staff continues the melody and lyrics.

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: God of power and grace, fill us with the wisdom of your word and the understanding of your Spirit so that we may be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: **Psalm 8** (pg 381 OT in the pew Bible)

After each reading:

ONE: The word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: **Matthew 28:16-20** (pg 26 NT in the pew Bible)

SERMON

*HYMN #297 *In Christ Called to Baptize*

ST. DENIO

*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

I Will Sing Praises to the Lord

Linda Spevacek

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.

I will sing praises unto the Lord.
The Lord is the light of my salvation, whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?
I will sing to the Lord, I will sing praises to the Lord.
Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice, and answer me, and have mercy on me.
And I will sing praises unto the Lord.
Hide not your face far from me, you are my help.
O God of my salvation, you never forsake me.
And I will sing praises unto the Lord.
Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me.
And I will sing praises unto the Lord.

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 #298 ***Lord, You Give the Great Commission***

ABBOT'S LEIGH

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE ***Spirit of the Living God***

Daniel Iverson

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

POSTLUDE ***Voluntary on "St. Denio"***

K. Lee Scott

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Chancel Flowers

Today's flowers are given in loving memory of Millie Allison by Bruce Allison and family.

Worship and Picnic in the Park!

Lancaster County Central Park Pavilion #1

(1049 Rockford Road, Lancaster)

Sunday, June 14

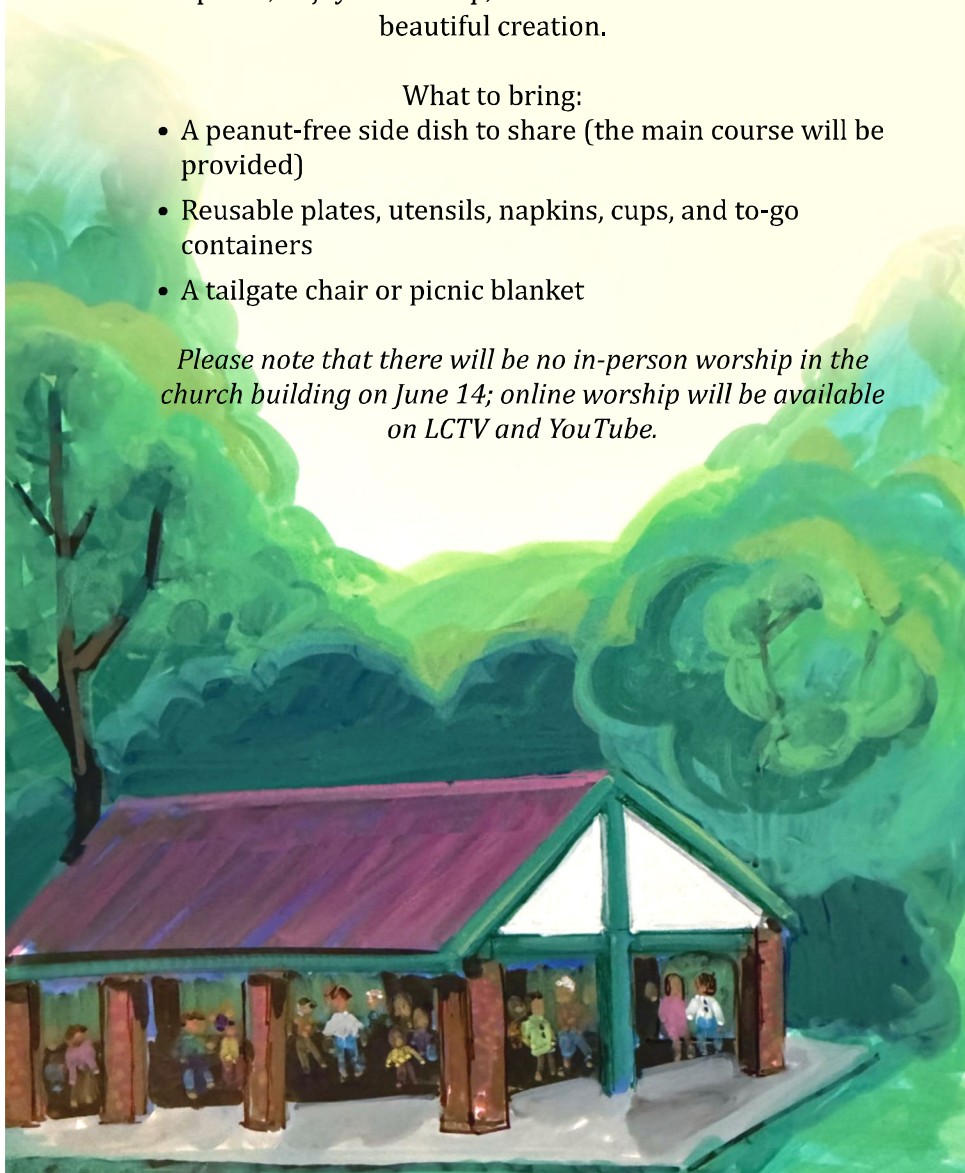
11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Let's take a break from construction and spend a joyful morning together! We will gather in County Park for one combined worship service at 11:00 a.m., followed by the annual church picnic. Join us for this special gathering as we worship God, enjoy fellowship, and share a meal—all in God's beautiful creation.

What to bring:

- A peanut-free side dish to share (the main course will be provided)
- Reusable plates, utensils, napkins, cups, and to-go containers
- A tailgate chair or picnic blanket

Please note that there will be no in-person worship in the church building on June 14; online worship will be available on LCTV and YouTube.



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 Volunteer Opportunities

Those interested in volunteering, please contact Patti Overly: patti@fpclancasterpa.org

Community Meal

Tuesday, June 9 | Food prep help: 3:00 p.m. | Servers: 4:30 p.m.
First Reformed Church, 40 E. Orange St.

Update: Rise Against Hunger

The meals we packed for Rise Against Hunger have shipped! On March 22 at FPC, 85+ volunteers from ages 4-94 packed 10,151 meals that are now headed to the Philippines, where they will be given to children at schools and early child development centers. In some cases, the food children receive at school will be the majority of the food they eat in a day.

The Philippines consists of over 7,000 islands in the Ring of Fire in the Pacific Ocean. One of the most environmentally disaster-prone countries in the world, it faces near constant threats of natural disasters like earthquakes, typhoons, and volcanic eruptions. These disasters cause displacement and major loss of livelihoods and infrastructure, disproportionately affecting poor communities in rural areas, where people rely on agriculture and fishing.

2026 Family Ministry Summer Series

Radiant Light

Inspired by Scripture, the intention is to provide a space for students and families to explore that they are each a bright gift from God, to begin to think about their purpose, and to illuminate their gifts and the gifts of others. This will be reflected in the Nursery, Worship Arts, Youth Group, Choral Camp, and summer Family Ministry events.

Family Ministry Events

Sunday, June 14—Picnic and worship

Wednesday, July 1, 8:30-9:30 p.m.—Night of the Fireflies, at the Lancaster Department of Parks and Recreation's Environmental Center (1 Nature's Way, Lancaster).

All ages welcome. Register and pre-pay (\$2) by noon, Tuesday, June 30 with the Environmental Center (call 717-295-2055). *The appearance of fireflies in Pennsylvania is an incredible experience that people look forward to seeing every year in summer. There is nothing quite like being out in the open, surrounded by thousands of these beetles putting on the show of their lifetime! Join naturalist Katie Kruza to learn a little bit more about these insects and what it takes to catch them.*

Saturday, July 11, 7:15 p.m.—Open House at the Ryan Observatory, Muddy Run (172 Bethesda Church Rd. W, Holtwood). All ages welcome. No registration required.

7:15 p.m. Outdoors: observatories open / telescope set-up, observing through evening, weather permitting

7:30 p.m. Indoor presentation/ welcome announcements

8:45 p.m. Outdoor presentation: "Celestial Highlights"; bring your binoculars for a laser-guided sky tour

Save the Dates!

Friday, June 27, 2:00 p.m. in the sanctuary—Choral Camp Concert!

Tuesday/Wednesday, August 4-5— 24-hour Downtown Mission at FPC for students, grade 7-12.
Pre-registration required: katie@fpclancasterpa.org.

See the Youth Ministry flyer for Youth summer events



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.

Guest WIFI Password:
Welcome2FPC

Summer 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 Summer Adventures

Direct questions to katie@fpclancasterpa.org

Suggested ages: 6th-9th grade

Monday, July 13–Glow Croquet, 8:30 p.m. Meet at West Art, 816 Buchanan Ave., Lancaster. Students & Youth Group leaders will walk to the Lytches' backyard down the street for an epic game of croquet! Parents, you're invited to gather in community at West Art. We'll walk the students back to you afterward.

Monday, August 17–Sunset & Ice Cream, Pine View Dairy, 2225 New Danville Pike, Lancaster, 7:00-8:00 p.m. The students and youth leaders will gather for a brief check-in, yummy ice cream and time with baby cows.

Suggested ages: 9th-12th grade

Monday, July 6–*Project Hail Mary*, backyard viewing, at the Richard family home, 8:30-10:00p.m. Students and their families welcome.

Sunday, August 16–Sunrise Kayak at Conejohela Flats, Wrightsville, 6:30-8:00 a.m. Coffee and donuts will be provided, and we will join the 9:00 a.m. worship service following the event. Please register: katie@fpclancasterpa.org.

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

Online prayer request here:

