

This Sunday's worship service will be streamed live over the internet at 10:30 a.m. and will be available to the public. It will be broadcast on FPC's YouTube Channel - "FPC Phoenixville". The recorded version will be available for "anytime" viewing.
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrmNs7JdvZNIpsNjs0Ds8vg>

Morning Worship
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
‡ January 21, 2024 ‡ 10:30 a.m. ‡

Prelude: *"This Little Light of Mine"* arr. B.Sowash

Welcome Rev. Doug Hagler

Passing the Peace

Announcements Sarah Shulman

Call to Worship (unison) Jacqui Busch

The Apostles' Creed (Hymnal pg. 35)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholic Church;**

**the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body;
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* **Hymn #169:** “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind” *(see page 13)*

(Please be seated.)

Prayer of Confession (unison)

This is the covenant God made with us: that God would put the law within us, and write it upon our hearts, and would be our God, and we would be God’s people. God forgives the wrong we have done, and the good we leave undone. In penitence and faith, let us silently confess our sins to God.

(Silent prayer and reflection)

Assurance of Pardon (leader, people)

The one who calls us to this place
calls us to reconciliation through grace.
God will not deny a repentant heart or an open spirit.
Know that you are forgiven
and walk in the new way that is made known to you in God's love.
Amen.

* **Gloria Patri** *(Children may come forward now for the children’s message.)*

**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.**

(Please be seated.)

Children’s Sermon

Following the message, children may go to Fellowship Hall, to the church nursery room, or they may stay with their family in worship.

Call to the Word: *“Listen, You Nations of the World”*

Prayer for Illumination

Jacqui Busch

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen.**

Listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Jacqui Busch

¹The word of the LORD came to Jonah a second time, saying, ²“Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.”

³So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. ⁴Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, “Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” ⁵And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Jacqui Busch

²⁹I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, ³⁰and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, ³¹and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Sermon

Rev. Doug Hagler

* **Hymn #44:** “Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us”

(see page 14)

(Please be seated.)

Offering Prayer

With what shall we come before the Holy One,
and bow ourselves before God on high?

God has shown us what is good.

Let us present ourselves to God
as those who have been delivered
from death to life.

Offertory: “*Jesus Calls Us*”

J. Patterson

* Doxology

**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**

Elder: Ken Brown

(Please be seated.)

Joys and Concerns

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.

* **Hymn # 734:** “Hope of the World”

(see page 15)

*** Benediction**

Rev. Doug Hagler

Postlude: “*Mercy*” by Casting Crowns

Praise Team

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Prayer Requests

Joys:

Concerns: Family & Friends of Helen Harrop, Audrey & Family, Kaitlin, Dave, Jack, Mike, Scott

PRAYER CHAIN: Please send any prayer needs to the new email address, fpcprayerchain2@gmail.com. Your request will be distributed to FPC's prayer angels. Their silent efforts will be put to work to lift you up. The same email address can be used for anyone wishing to join the prayer team.

Upcoming Scripture Readings

- Jan. 28th: Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13
- Feb. 4th: Isaiah 40:21-31; Mark 1:29-39

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WOMEN’S CIRCLE TODAY!: FPC's Women's Circle will meet at 12 noon in the parlor on Sunday, January 21st. This gathering will include a brief video presentation and discussion relating to the study of Sacred Encounters - The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts. Bring a snack or lunch. Bring your thoughts to share. All ladies are welcome to join in this fellowship and study session!

MEN’S GROUP TODAY!: All men of FPC and friends are invited to meet in the main office after worship on Sunday, January 21st. Join Pastor Doug and the crew for a lunch outing!

QUEER CIRCLE MEETING & SURVEY: The next Zoom gathering for the Queer Circle will be tomorrow night, Monday, January 22nd, at 7:00 pm. Conversations will continue about *The Book of Queer Prophets:*

24 Writers on Sexuality and Religion. Zoom with the group anytime to learn more about genders, sexual orientation, Christian faith, and related issues. Please take our survey at <https://bit.ly/queercirclesurvey> to help us determine our next step.

OFFERING ENVELOPES: If you have not yet picked up your 2024 offering envelopes, then please stop by the narthex after worship today to get your box. If you are worshipping at home, then please call the church office to arrange a pick-up or to request a delivery. Thank you.

2024 APPORTIONMENT: Per Capita apportionment monies will help provide the means to strengthen the connections of the Presbyterian Church USA, to build lasting relationships, and to help all Presbyterians share God’s love through mission and ministry. Our church apportionment is \$38 per member. Please use the blue envelope in your box of envelopes or pick up an envelope in the narthex. This money will help support our church, Donegal Presbytery, Synod of the Trinity, and the Presbyterian Church USA. See today’s insert for more details.

SCRIP GIFT CARDS: One January date remains for scrip orders – Tuesday, the 30th. To place an order, please call or text Lynne Williams at 610-415-1581 (home) or 610-955-4749 (cell) or send an email (brettdrew@comcast.net). Order forms will be completed for you. Checks are to be made payable to “First Presbyterian Church DR”. A percentage of each card ordered is donated to the church. Your support is appreciated!

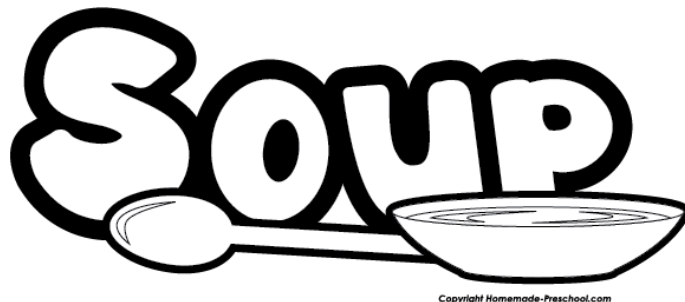
ANTIRACISM BOOK CLUB: Zoom with the Antiracism Book Club when they meet again on Sunday, January 28th. Discussion will flow from the book *We Remain: Race, Racism, and the Story of the American Indian* by Keith R. Burich. Join the group at 7:00 PM and discover how much there is to learn! Newcomers are welcome!

ST. MARY'S SHELTER MEALS: During the week of February 5th, we will provide dinner for the residents of St. Mary's Franciscan Shelter. To sign up for all or part of a meal (for approximately 15 people) on that day, respond to the SignUp Genius that you received via email or follow this link to sign up: <https://bit.ly/StMary224>. Detailed instructions are included with the online sign-up. If you have any questions or want to sign up, contact Kristin at MissionsFPC145@gmail.com. For more information about St. Mary's Franciscan Shelter, visit <https://stmarysfs.org/>.

ANNUAL MEETING: Join fellow congregants for the Annual Meeting after the worship service (11:45 AM) in Fellowship Hall on Sunday, February 4th. Come to accept the 2024 Nominating Committee, to receive the 2023 Annual Report, and to approve the Pastor's Terms of Call. Note: Since the meeting will be held in person, you must attend the meeting in person in order to vote.

NOMINATIONS NEEDED: The Nominating Committee requests suggestions from the congregation of church members to serve as At-Large members of the 2024 Nominating Committee. Please submit names to be considered to Adam Smith at afsmithphoto@gmail.com or to the church office at secretaryfpc145@gmail.com.

SOUPER BOWL 2024: This year's Souper Bowl of Caring event will take place at First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, February 11th. We will collect canned goods and cash donations to support local hunger relief. So, set aside your canned goods to drop off at church on the 11th. You can also drop off donations during the week in the church office.



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This Week in the Life of the Church

Sunday, January 21 (**Childcare available*)

8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study with Sue Casey - Zoom

10:30 a.m. *WORSHIP – Rev. Doug Hagler, in-person and on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/@fpcphoenixville7042>

10:45 a.m. Sunday School (Upstairs Classrooms)

12:00 p.m. Men's Group (meet in the Main Office)

12:00 p.m. Women's Circle (Parlor)

12:00 p.m. Children's Choir Planning Meeting

Monday, January 22

9:00 a.m. People to People Clothing Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class (Fellowship Hall)

7:00 p.m. Praise Team Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7:00 p.m. Queer Circle - Zoom

Tuesday, January 23

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class (Fellowship Hall)

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting (Zoom)

Wednesday, January 24

11:30 a.m. Rock the Boat Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, January 25

9:00 a.m. People to People Clothing Ministry (Fellowship Hall)

10:00 a.m. People to People Food Ministry (Kitchen)

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Friday, January 26

No events scheduled.

Saturday, January 27

No events scheduled.

Sunday, January 28 (*Childcare available)

8:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study with Sue Casey - Zoom

10:30 a.m. *WORSHIP – Rev. Doug Hagler, in-person and on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/@fpcphoenixville7042>

10:45 a.m. Sunday School (Upstairs Classrooms)

12:00 p.m. Deacons’ Meeting

12:00 p.m. Confirmation Class (3rd Floor Classroom)

7:00 p.m. Antiracism Book Club (Zoom)

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Nursery & Sunday School: The church nursery is located on the 2nd floor of the main building in room 209 and is available for children ages infant-3 years. All children 3 years and older are invited to attend Sunday School during worship (children will depart fellowship hall for their classrooms immediately following the Children's Sermon), with ages 3-5 in room 210, ages 6-8 in room 208, and grades 5 and older in the third-floor class-room. Sunday School is from 10:45am–11:45am.

Restrooms: The church restrooms are located on the first & second floors of the main building. Ushers can help direct you to the restrooms.

For Hearing Assistance: If you wish to use a wireless assistive listening device to better hear the service, see one of the ushers.

Large Print Bulletins are available from an usher.

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OFFICE HOURS

Mondays: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Tuesdays: 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Wednesdays: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Thursdays: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Fridays: by appointment

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Karin Goodman

Cassy Gulden

Jill Kleppinger

Jeff McLaughlin

Eileen Naughton

Jeanie Osterhoudt

Adam Smith

Doug Walker

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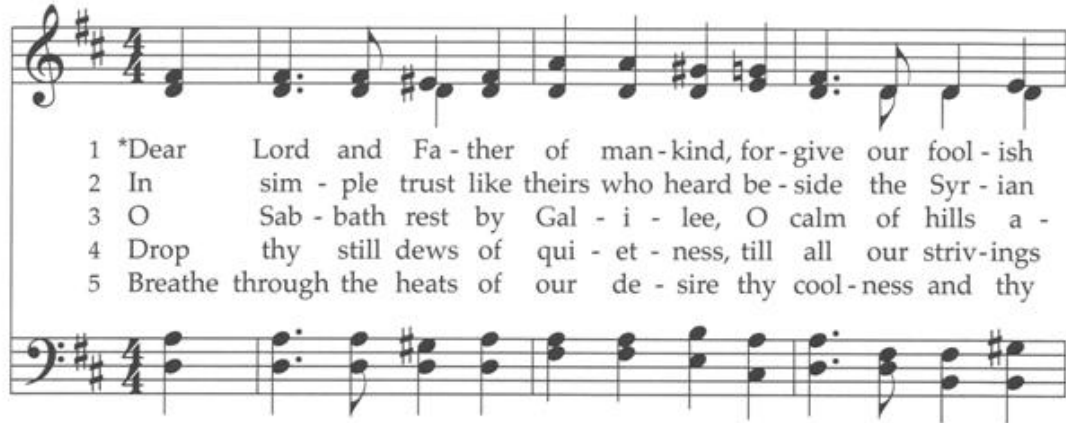
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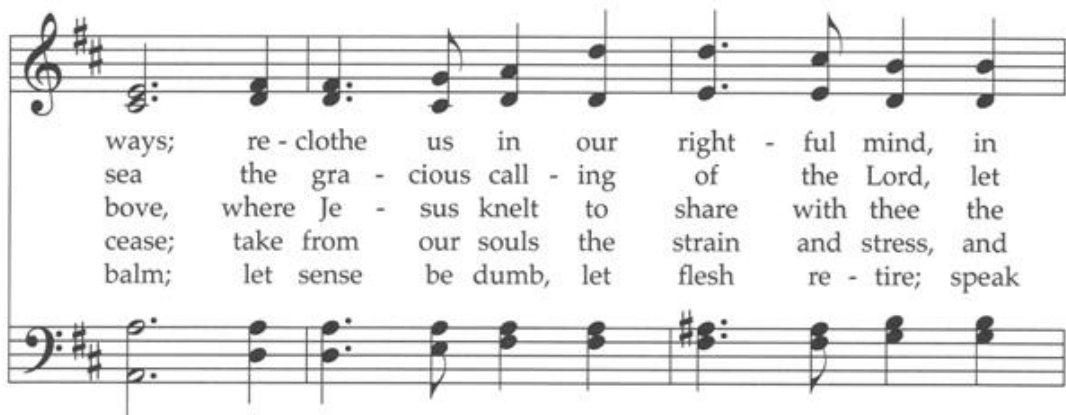
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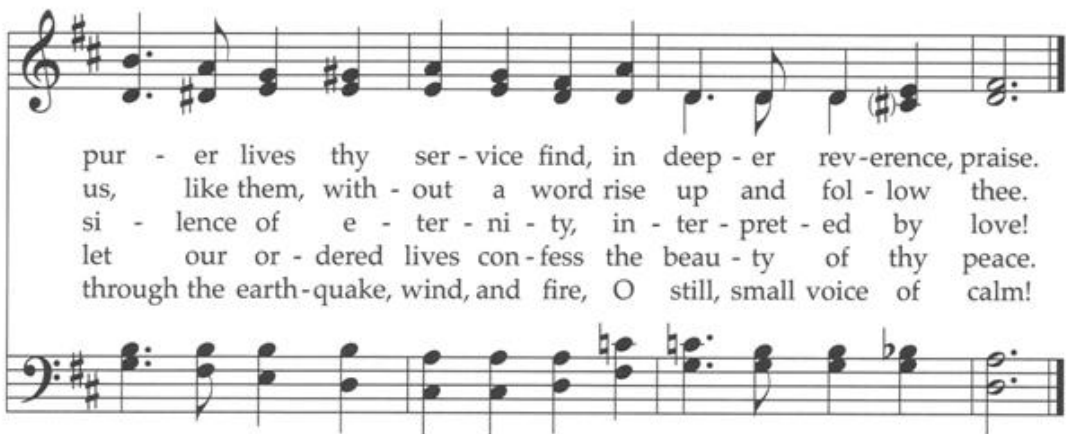
169 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind



1 *Dear Lord and Fa-ther of man-kind, for-give our fool-ish
 2 In sim-ple trust like theirs who heard be-side the Syr-ian
 3 O Sab-bath rest by Gal-i-lee, O calm of hills a-
 4 Drop thy still dews of qui-et-ness, till all our striv-ings
 5 Breathe through the heats of our de-sire thy cool-ness and thy



ways; re-clothe us in our right-ful mind, in
 sea the gra-cious call-ing of the Lord, let
 above, where Je-sus knelt to share with thee the
 cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and
 balm; let sense be dumb, let flesh re-tire; speak



pur-er lives thy ser-vice find, in deep-er rev-erence, praise.
 us, like them, with-out a word rise up and fol-low thee.
 si-lence of e-ter-ni-ty, in-ter-pret-ed by love!
 let our or-dered lives con-fess the beau-ty of thy peace.
 through the earth-quake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm!

*Or "Dear Lord, Creator good and kind"

These stanzas were carved into a hymn from a much longer poem describing a frenzied ritual by an obscure sect in India, but they culminate in a reference to 1 Kings 19:11-12 that celebrates silence (as befits a Quaker poet). This tune was created especially for these words.

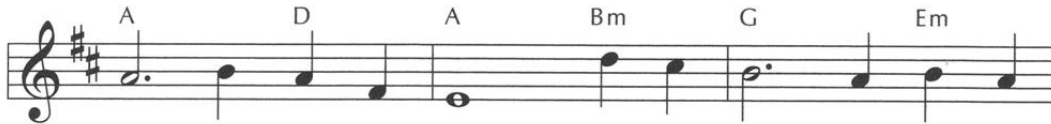
TEXT: John Greenleaf Whittier, 1872
 MUSIC: Frederick Charles Maker, 1887

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 (alternate tune: REPTON)

44 Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us



1 Like a moth - er who has borne us, held us
2 Like a fa - ther who has taught us, grasped our
3 Though as chil - dren we have wan - dered, placed our
4 When we of - fer food and com - fort, grasp our



close in her de - light, fed us free - ly from her
hand and been our guide, lift - ed us and healed our
trust in power and might, left be - hind our broth - ers,
neigh - bor's hand in love, tread the path of peace and



bod - y, God has called us in - to life.
sor - rows, God has walked with us in life.
sis - ters, God still calls us in - to life.
jus - tice, God still walks with us in life.

This text was inspired by how the prophet Hosea describes the parental nature of God's relationship with Israel (Hosea 11:1-19). The last stanza echoes Christ's teachings about love of neighbor (Matthew 22:37-40/Mark 12:29-31) and care for "the least of these" (Matthew 25:31-46).

TEXT: Daniel Bechtel, 1986
MUSIC: William P. Rowan, 1992
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AUSTIN
8.7.8.7

Let us pray!

*God of the prophets,
you call us from evil to serve you.
Fulfill in us your commonwealth of justice and joy,
that the light of your presence
may be revealed to all nations,
to the glory of Jesus' name. Amen.*

Hope of the World

734



1 Hope of the world, thou Christ of great com - pas - sion:
 2 Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en,
 3 Hope of the world, a - foot on dust - y high - ways,
 4 Hope of the world, who by thy cross didst save us
 5 Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death vic - to - rious,



speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent;
 bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life:
 show - ing to wan - dering souls the path of light:
 from death and deep de - spair, from sin and guilt:
 who by this sign didst con - quer grief and pain:



save us, thy peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
 still let thy Spir - it un - to us be giv - en
 walk thou be - side us lest the tempt - ing by - ways
 we ren - der back the love thy mer - cy gave us;
 we would be faith - ful to thy gos - pel glo - rious;



who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
 to heal earth's wounds and end our bit - ter strife.
 lure us a - way from thee to end - less night.
 take thou our lives and use them as thou wilt.
 thou art our Lord! Thou dost for - ev - er reign!

This winning entry by a groundbreaking woman theologian was selected from over five hundred others in a search for a hymn to be used at the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Evanston, Illinois, in October 1954. The theme of the assembly was "Jesus Christ, Hope of the World."

TEXT: Georgia Harkness, 1954
 MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551
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DONNE SECOURS
 11.10.11.10



WHAT IS PER CAPITA GIVING?

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- It is how Presbyterians discern God's call to service and to preserve our heritage.
- It is how the Synod & General Assembly fund innovative initiatives within our Presbytery.

Here in Donegal Presbytery, our Shared Proportional (Per Capita) Budget provides a number of vital aids to our congregation's ministries. It includes supporting the work of our Executive Presbyter, Erin Cox-Holmes as she (and others) partner with sessions, pray with leaders, and support pastors in times of growth and crisis. It includes the work of our Stated Clerk, Michael Wilson, as he provides congregations with support for process and for figuring out what to do (which can often be confusing in times of transition). It includes the work of our Connecting Our Ministries Commission (COM) – which supports pastors and sessions. In times of tumultuous change, building connections and creating conversations is vital.

Your participation funds the backbone operations of the Presbytery: the rent, the heat, the lights, the communication systems. It provides for our Executive Administrative Assistant, Christine Wells, and our Bookkeepers. This infrastructure is what makes ministry possible.

Our vision as a Presbytery is to be a place where Jesus Christ is lifted high and where we pray and support one another. Your participation in this part of our Presbytery's ministry provides the often unseen and crucial support for our congregations and ministries to flourish.

Thank you! It is a joy to partner in ministry and mission.