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# Morning Worship

**May 9, 2021     10:30 a.m.**

Prelude                      *“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”*                      arr. J. Carter

Welcome Rev. Doug Hagler

Sharing the Peace - *Take this moment to comment on the live YouTube chat and let people know you are here, or get out your phone and text someone to say hi.*

## Announcements

Call to Worship (*unison*) *Psalm 98:1-9*

**<sup>1</sup> O sing to the LORD a new song,  
for he has done marvelous things.**

**His right hand and his holy arm  
have gained him victory.**

<sup>2</sup> **The LORD has made known his victory;  
he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.**

<sup>3</sup> **He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness  
to the house of Israel.**

**All the ends of the earth have seen  
the victory of our God.**

**<sup>4</sup> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;  
break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

## Hymn

## "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

1 Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing; tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
2 Here I raise my Eb - e - ne - zer; hith-er by thy help I'm come;  
3 O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be!

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.  
and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar - rive at home.  
Let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee.

Teach me some me - lo-dious son - net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;  
Je - sus sought me when a strang-er, wan-dering from the fold of God;  
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un-chang-ing love!  
he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter-posed his pre-cious blood.  
here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is primarily in the treble staff, while the piano accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are arranged in three systems, each corresponding to a system of music. The first system includes three numbered verses. The second system contains two lines of lyrics. The third system contains two lines of lyrics. The fourth system contains two lines of lyrics. The score concludes with a double bar line.

TEXT: Robert Robinson, 1758, alt.

MUSIC: Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

## Prayer of Confession

Leader: God of all hope and joy, we confess that we continue to live in fear.  
You raised Jesus to new life, yet we hold on to former things.  
You offer salvation to all, yet we fail to share this good news.  
Forgive us, God of grace. By your Spirit, make us witnesses to the wonder of the empty tomb and the fullness of life you promise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*(Silent prayer and reflection)*

## Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate;  
light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death;  
victory is ours through him who loves us. —*Bishop Desmond Tutu*

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.  
I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

**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.**

## Children's Message

### Prayer for Illumination

Leader: 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.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

### Reading: Acts 10:44-48

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word.

<sup>45</sup>The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup>for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God.

Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup>"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?"

<sup>48</sup>So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Reading: John 15:9-17

<sup>9</sup>As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love.

<sup>10</sup>If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love,  
just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.

<sup>11</sup>I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you,  
and that your joy may be complete.

<sup>12</sup>"This is my commandment, that **you love one another as I have loved you.**

<sup>13</sup>No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.

<sup>14</sup>You are my friends if you do what I command you.

<sup>15</sup>I do not call you servants any longer,  
because the servant does not know what the master is doing;  
but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything  
that I have heard from my Father. <sup>16</sup>You did not choose me but I chose you.  
And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last,  
so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.

<sup>17</sup>I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Leader: We proclaim Christ crucified – the wisdom and power of God.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

Anthem

*"Love the Lord"*

Praise Team

Sermon

Rev. Doug Hagler

Hymn

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

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Offering Reminder

Litany Prayer *From the The Book of Common Worship*

Leader: How great is your love, Lord God, how wide is your mercy!

Never let us board up the narrow gate that leads to life with rules or  
doctrines that you dismiss; but give us a Spirit to welcome all  
people with affection, so that your church may never exclude secret  
friends of yours, who are included in the love of Jesus Christ,  
who came to save us all.

Almighty God, you have given your law to guide us in a life of love,  
and you have appointed teachers to interpret your will.

4. *continued...*

Create in those who instruct your people a mind to study your Word,  
and good understanding, so that we may all learn your truth and do  
it gladly; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Teacher. Amen.

Joys and Concerns

**Joys: Our Graduates & Sunday School Teachers**

**High School**

Ana Arranz – Graduating from Phoenixville Area High School.

Will be attending Temple University majoring in business.

Emma Bergman – Graduating from Spring-Ford High School.

Will be attending Indiana University of Pennsylvania majoring in  
nursing.

**College**

Anna Gallagher – Graduating from the University of Delaware with a Master of  
Arts degree.

**Our Sunday School Teachers:**

Pam Bodam	Gail Landazuri
Sue Casey	Cara Lewis
George Cockerill	Jeff McLaughlin
Kristin Craven	Jeanie Osterhoudt
Karen Drummond	Mona Sabia
Rob Drummond	Gail Schnaedter
Pam Hagler	Becky Sinapius
Pastor Doug Hagler	Lynne Williams

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 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

## "Will You Come and Follow Me"



- 1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
- 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?  
Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er be the same?  
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?  
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at-tract or scare?  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,  
Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"  
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"  
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

TEXT: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1987  
MUSIC: Scottish melody; arr. John L. Bell, 1987  
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Benediction  
Postlude

"Power of Your Love"

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Rev. Doug Hagler  
Praise Team

## “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness  
 2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures

of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,  
 of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal

which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's  
 is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more

sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place  
 faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -

where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
 flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

TEXT: Frederick William Faber, 1854, alt.  
 MUSIC: Dutch melody; arr. Julius Röntgen, c. 1906

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## **Sunday School Teachers**

Today we recognize and celebrate our faithful Sunday School teachers. In the midst of the challenges that COVID-19 presented, our teachers worked to keep the children of our church connected and engaged. Monthly Sunday School zoom get togethers were planned. Individual bags filled with lesson and activity materials (and of course, a few treats) were put together and delivered to each child monthly. Our teachers continued to share God's love and to teach His messages. Most importantly, our faithful teachers continued to love and celebrate each child. So, thank you Sunday School teachers for your time, your flexibility and your love. We would also like to recognize Jane Shier and Amy Osterhoudt, our nursery staff, who have been anxiously awaiting the return of the children to the nursery Sunday mornings. Thank you everyone!!

### **Teachers**

Pam Bodam	Pam Hagler	Mona Sabia
Sue Casey	Pastor Doug Hagler	Gail Schnaedter
George Cockerill	Gail Landazuri	Becky Sinapius
Kristin Craven	Cara Lewis	Lynne Williams
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## **Parking Lot Attendants Needed**

'Tis the season of nicer weather with more restaurants and shops opening up on Bridge Street causing our parking lot to be in high demand. The Stewardship Committee is looking for volunteers to collect parking donations on Friday and Saturday nights from 5:00pm – 8:00pm.

If you would like to help, please contact Lynne Williams at: 610-955-4749. Gloves and masks will be provided.

## **May 20<sup>th</sup>, 7pm Vigil Downtown**

As some of you know, Pastor Doug has been leading and helping to organize vigils on the first Thursday and third Thursday of each month since July of last year. Now that he is vaccinated, he will be leading the in-person vigil on the third Thursday of May in downtown Phoenixville. You are invited to join Pastor Doug and members of our community for a peaceful vigil in solidarity with BLM on May 20th from 7pm to 7:30pm. We will meet at the corner of Main and Bridge Streets. Feel free to contact Pastor Doug for more information or with any questions.



## **Pentecost Sunday Chili Fest**

Save the Date – May 23<sup>rd</sup>! Our Chili Fest returns this year as a drive-by pickup.

- Pickup will be in the church lot from 5-5:30 PM
- Chili orders will be individually wrapped/packaged
- Mac & Cheese will be available for the kids
- Orders will be by the serving
- We will accept a donation in the amount you wish to give

Further information to follow.

Save The Date...**Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup>**

### **Moe's Southwest Grill ..."TACO TAX DAY"!!!**

Once again, Moe's will be bringing delicious meals to our church parking lot for you to pick up and enjoy as you benefit our church.

As we were unsuccessful trying to schedule a "TACO TUESDAY"...we decided to create our own taco day...and what better day to celebrate than "**Tax Day**"!

You will order your TACO Meal Kit (serves 4-6)...and for each kit ordered...Moe's will donate \$5 to our church. Details will be available in the coming weeks in the bulletins and the Beat. So, mark **May 17<sup>th</sup>** on your calendars & plan to take the night off from cooking...

## **Prayer Requests**

**Joys:** Our graduates; Our Sunday School Teachers

**Concerns:** Pam & Dan

## **Prayer Chain & Prayer Requests**

To request prayers, you can fill out a card in the worship service, drop a note off in the church office or email Amy at [fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com](mailto:fpcprayerchain1@gmail.com) and members will be lifting you up in prayer. You may also call Sue Smith at [\(610\) 933-8816](tel:6109338816) and she will forward your requests on to Amy. Anyone interested in being a Prayer Warrior should email Amy.

## **Personnel Open Forum**

The next Personnel Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> and you are encouraged to share with the committee how you feel about the job performances of the church staff. Please email your comments to Jeanie Osterhoudt at [jeanoster@comcast.net](mailto:jeanoster@comcast.net), and she will share them at the Personnel meeting. Responses will be kept strictly confidential.

### **Grass Cutting Help Needed**

Last year a few members took turns cutting the grass at the church and we could use some more volunteers for this year. Two people are scheduled for each month, so you would only have to do it four times. Plus, it gets you out of the house. Please email Paul Parrish at [parrishps@gmail.com](mailto:parrishps@gmail.com) or call 610-935-0436 if you can help.

### **Scrip Gift Card Orders**

We will be placing orders for gift cards every other Wednesday (May 12 & May 26). If you would like to place an order, please call Lynne Williams at 610-415-1581 (home) or 610-955-4749 (cell).

You may mail your check to Lynne or drop it off at her home, (14 Schofield Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460). We will complete the order forms for you.

Orders and checks must be received by the day before the orders are placed (May 11 & May 25). Please make checks payable to "First Presbyterian Church DR". Thank you...Thank you for continuing to support this program!

### **Upcoming Scripture Readings**

May 16<sup>th</sup>: Acts 1:1-11; Luke 24:44-53

May 23<sup>rd</sup>: Ezekiel 37:1-14; Acts 2:1-21

May 30<sup>th</sup>: Isaiah 6:1-8; Romans 8:12-17

### **Joys and Concerns Live**

Join Pastor Doug virtually on Sundays at 11:45 a.m. to share some happiness, heartache, or anything in between and lift up each other in spirit. Join Zoom

meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87345268002>

Meeting ID: 873 4526 8002 One tap mobile +13017158592

### **Book Club**

The **Antiracism Book Club's** next meeting will be on Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. The group will discuss the book entitled "Black Radical: The Life and Times of William Monroe Trotter". All are welcome to [Zoom](#) in to learn, listen, and chat.

### **On-Line Giving**

There is a new feature on the FPC website! Check out the **DONATE** button on the [home page](#). On-line giving is really convenient now. Simply click the button, enter an amount on the Faithlife page, and then click the Next button to finish the process. Thanks for your support!

## **This Week in the Life of the Church**

### **Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**

11:45 a.m. Joys & Concerns via Zoom link

12:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee meeting via Zoom

**Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>** No events scheduled.

### **Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 p.m. Parish Life Committee meeting via Zoom link

7:00 p.m. Personnel Committee meeting via Zoom link

### **Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 p.m. Parish Life Zoom event

### **Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 a.m. Food ministry (kitchen)

7:30 p.m. Compassionate Friends meeting (parlor)

**Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>** No events scheduled.

### **Saturday, May 15<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 a.m. Outdoor Work Day (meet in the church yard, 9am-noon)

### **Sunday, May 16<sup>th</sup>** *Music Appreciation Sunday*

8:30 a.m. Bible Study class via Zoom link

9:00 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE – In person, outdoors on the church lawn

10:30 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE – via Youtube channel

11:45 a.m. Joys & Concerns via Zoom link

7:00 p.m. Antiracism Book Club via Zoom link

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