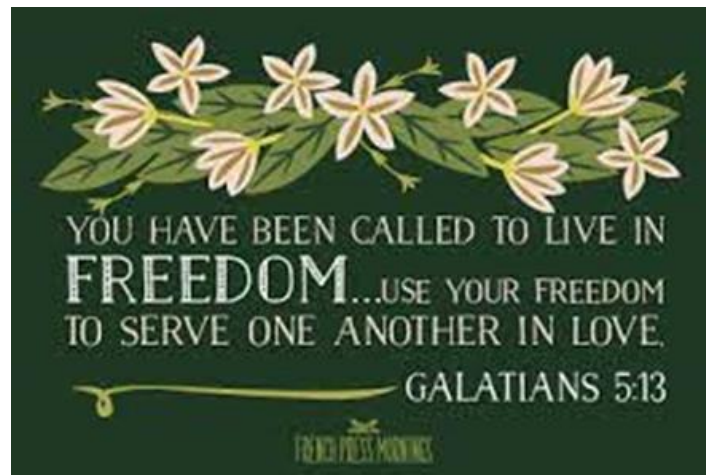


First Presbyterian Church

Barre, Vermont



Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Morning Worship

June 26, 2022



GATHERING

Today's hymns are in the purple Glory to God hymnal.

Gathering on Abenaki Lands

Prelude – The Peaceful Forest *Alexander Schreiner*

Welcome and Call to Worship

It is good to give thanks to the Lord;

Let us sing praises to God's holy name!

We will declare God's steadfast love in the morning,

And God's faithfulness night after night.

Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord!

For God is good and we know God's blessings.

Let us worship God with grateful hearts;

We will give God thanks in our prayers and praise.

✠ Opening Hymn 268 **Crown Him with Many Crowns**

1. Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own! Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
2. Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified: no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.
3. Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.
4. Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time; creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime. All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me; thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Prayer of Confession

Faithful, fruitful God,
you call us to follow you, whatever the circumstance,
yet we confess we prefer to remain where we are.
You offer us new beginnings,
yet we continue to make the same choices,
guided by our own desires.
We make excuses for avoiding your challenge to change.
Forgive us, O God.
Cleanse us with your mercy,
and energize us to serve you even when the challenge seems great.

✠ Congregational Response 442 *Just As I Am (verses 1 and 3)*

1. Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou biddest me come to thee, O lamb of God, I come; I come!
2. Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O lamb of God, I come; I come!

LISTENING

Prayer for Illumination

God of wisdom,
by your Spirit, open our minds to your truth, our hearts to your gospel,
and our hands so that we can do your will, in the name of Jesus, your Living Word. Amen.

Scripture

Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Luke 9:51-62

Prompting – What is Freedom?

Dan Krymkowski

Affirmation of Faith – (Responsively)

What do you believe
when you confess your faith in “God the Father Almighty”?

**That God is a God of love,
and that God’s love is powerful beyond measure.**

What do you affirm
when you confess your faith in Jesus Christ as “our Lord”?

**That having been raised from the dead
he reigns with compassion and justice
over all things in heaven and on earth,
especially over those who confess him by faith;
and that by loving and serving him above all else,
we give glory and honor to God.**

What do you believe
when you confess your faith in the Holy Spirit?

That apart from the Holy Spirit,

our Lord can neither be loved, nor known, nor served.

The Holy Spirit is the personal bond
by which Jesus Christ unites us to himself,
the teacher who opens our hearts to Christ,
and the comforter who leads us to repentance,
empowering us to live in Christ's service.

What do you affirm

when you speak of "the life everlasting"?

**That communion with Jesus Christ
is eternal life itself.**

In him we were chosen

before the foundation of the world.

**By him the eternal covenant with Israel
was taken up, embodied, and fulfilled.**

**To him we are joined by the Holy Spirit through faith,
and adopted as children,**

the sons and daughters of God.

Through him we are raised from death to new life.

For him we shall live to all eternity.

RESPONDING

✠ Hymn 688

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

1. Spirit of God, descend upon my heart; wean it from earth; through all its pulses move; stoop to me weakness, mighty as thou art, and make me love thee as I ought to love.
2. I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil of clay, no angel visitant, no opening skies; but take the dimness of my soul away.
3. Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King; all, all thine own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind? I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling. O Let me seek thee, and O let me find!
4. Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh. Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear, to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh. Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.
5. Teach me to love thee as thine angels love, one holy passion filling all my frame; the baptism of the heaven descended Dove, my heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

Prayers of the People &

*Finishing with Lord's Prayer
(page 35 of purple hymnal)*

Reflection Music – Today

Thomas A. Dorsey

Announcements

Refrain: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

1. Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod, the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Refrain:

2. All newborn servants of the Crucified bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died.

Refrain:

3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, your death has brought us life eternally.

Refrain:

4. So shall our song of triumph ever be: praise to the Crucified for victory.

Refrain:

Benediction

Postlude - Light of the World

Stephen Schwartz

✠ Please rise in body or spirit as you are able!

Dan Krymkowski is preaching and leading us in music today.
Dotty Ricks, thank you for serving as our worship leader.

The Call to Worship and Prayers are from the Presbyterian Church of Canada; Affirmation of Faith from PCUSA.

Prayers - Each week we pray for a different person or family in our church. This week we invite you to keep Carl & Karen Hinsman in your prayers. Gracious Lord, we give thanks for them and their presence in this congregation. Hold them in the palm of your hand and let them feel your love. Give them the wisdom and strength to do your will and the faith and courage to face whatever challenges may arise. As part of being the connectional Presbyterian church or other ministry within the Presbytery of Northern New England in our thoughts and prayers. This week, our prayers are for the Sudanese Presbyterian Fellowship, Portland, ME. Pastor Matthew Long.

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Speakers for June are:

June 5 - (Pentecost and Communion Sunday) - Chris Fuhmeister

June 12 (Trinity Sunday and 1st Sunday after Pentecost) - Diane Nichols-Fleming

June 19 (Second Sunday after Pentecost) - Jim Nichols-Fleming

June 26 (Third Sunday after Pentecost) - Dan Krymkowski.

Our Church Session (Board) & Deacons

Chris Fuhrmeister, Clerk – Personnel and Worship

Roxanne Casadonte - Outreach

Dotty Ricks – Outreach

Lee Aura Bonamico - Outreach

Cathy Jamieson – Finance and Faith Development

Peg Lawson – Worship & Fellowship

Diane Nichols-Fleming – Finance

Jim Nichols-Fleming – Outreach and Personnel

Dan Krymkowski - Worship

Board of Deacons - Sylvia Mitton, Chairperson

OUR CHURCH

Treasurer – Kathy Adams

Pianist / Organist – Alison Cerutti / Dan Krymkowski

Administrative Assistant – Cindy Hooker

Choir Director – Peg Lawson

Custodian – Jennifer Milne

Elder of the Month – Diane Nichols-Fleming

Deacon of the Month – Sylvia Mitton

June Birthdays

1 st	George Merwin
2 nd	Jeff Taylor-Nolan
3 rd	Dotty Ricks
5 th	Kay Oles
6 th	Jeremy Loomis
8 th	Katherine Vaughan
10 th	Karen Peake
10 th	Kaitlyn Bouchard
11 th	Richard Paterson
12 th	Gabriel Edgerly-Walsh
12 th	Jerome Vaughan
14 th	Jim Phelan
15 th	Diane Nichols-Fleming
15 th	Aaron Roberts
15 th	Ryan Roberts
20 th	Rip Keller
20 th	Nathaniel Nichols-Fleming
21 st	Torrey Kelty
22 nd	Barbara Bernatchy
22 nd	Justin Martin
22 nd	Ian Strachan
24 th	Gordon Hickory
29 th	Fiona Nichols-Fleming

June Anniversaries

1 st	Beth & Jeff Taylor-Nolan
2 nd	Carl & Karen Hinsman
4 th	Debra & Mick Kerin
4 th	Sara & E.J. Blondin
6 th	Sally & Tom Koch
12 th	Richard & Kathy Paterson
13 th	Pam & Roland Cyr
18 th	John & Sandy Quinlan
21 st	Deanna & Chris Bailey
21 st	Jerome & Katherine Vaughan
25 th	Mark & Melissa Taft
28 th	Jim & Diane Nichols-Fleming
30 th	Jim & Sandi Phelan

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