



THIS WEEK

- July 24 Kathy Garry
- July 25 Heather White
- July 25 Matthew Bell
- July 28 Pat Phillips
- July 29 Ruth Fish



Arlene Wilson, Shane McWayne, Gerda Barbour, and for the sick and those who need God's comfort.

Prayers of Sympathy and Condolence to the family of Elizabeth (Betty) Fibison, who passed away on July 10, 2017.

Prayer Help Available. Please call the church office at 782-1750 if you have a prayer request. Your confidential prayer request will be put on the First Pres. Prayer Chain. Only those requesting public prayers are included for prayers in our church bulletin.

This month we are holding in our prayers the multiple projects for and by **women in Malawi, Africa**. Please tie or drape a strip of colorful fabric on the white tree by the handicap ramp as your visible prayer.

For the next 3 weeks First Presbyterian Church will be collecting school supplies to aid the **Watertown Urban Mission** in their **Back to School Supply Drive**. We will be highlighting three different items each week for the congregation to bring in the following Sunday. This week we are highlighting **LINED FILLER PAPER, INDEX CARDS and HIGHLIGHTERS**. Please bring them in during the week or next Sunday when you come to worship and place them in the baskets by the Fellowship Hall door or by the front door. New or gently used backpacks and calculators may be brought in

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 23, 2017

10:00 a.m.

This service is being broadcast over radio station WATN 1240

* Indicates that those who are able may stand.

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

- Laudation*
- The Gift of Love*
- Hymn to Joy*

- Carl Bingle, FPC Organist
- Gilbert Martin
- Janet Linker
- Albert Travis

GREETING

Peace be with you.
And also with you

PRELUDE

In Christ Alone
Carl Bingle, organ

arr. Lloyd Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP ~ adapted from Psalm 27

Leader: The Lord is our light and our salvation; whom shall we fear?

People: God is our rock and our refuge when we face times of trial.

Day after day we seek God's face and assurance of God's holy love.

O Lord, do not hide your face from us! May you be our guiding light!

We come together to ask God:

That we may live in God's dwelling place for all of our days and never cease to behold the beauty of God's creation.

Let us offer our praise to God who remains with us in this place and all places where our feet may tread.

All: Let us worship God!

***HYMN #139**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

INVITATION TO REPENTANT PRAYERS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, as we have traveled to places near and far, we confess that we have often failed to see your face in those who need your love the most. As we have walked along this path of life we have become jaded and blinded to people whom you call us to care for. Forgive us, O God. Break open our hearts that have hardened and turn them into clay so that they may be molded by your transforming grace. Amen.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND FORGIVENESS

Friends, Christ came into the world not to condemn the world, but to save the world. Know that it is in Christ we are forgiven!
Hallelujah! Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI - Hymnal #813**

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.

LITURGIST WELCOME

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9 (Old Testament, page 652 in pew Bibles)

SOLO

Climb Every Mountain (from Sound of Music) Rodgers & Hammerstein
Clancy Cox, soprano; Phyllis Elmer, piano

CHILDREN’S TIME

(Sunday School will not meet during July and August, but will resume on September 10th.)

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 24:13-19 (New Testament, page 90 in pew Bibles)

SERMON

“This Thing We Call Faith”
Casey Carbone

***HYMN #563**

Open My Eyes That I May See SCOTT

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY

Nessun Dorma Giacomo Puccini
The final phrase of this aria, “All’ alba vincero,” can relate to the promise of Jesus’ Resurrection: “At the dawn I will triumph!”
Carl Bingle, organ

***DOXOLOGY ~ HYMNAL #814**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

SENDING

***HYMN #682**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah CWM RHONDDA

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

THE POSTLUDE

Now Thank We All Our God Albert Travis
Carl Bingle, organ

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - TODAY, July 23rd, after worship, in the sanctuary - to call an Associate Pastor.