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# the 5:45



**January 10, 2010**

**PREACHING** today is the Reverend Jim Monnett  
**PARTICIPATING** today is the Reverend Jenny McDevitt.  
**THE MUSIC DIRECTOR AND KEYBOARDIST** is Carol Muehlig.  
**THE READERS** are Joe Sandman and Kaitlin Terpstra.  
**THE INSTRUMENTALIST** is Kaitlin Terpstra, flute.

# WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC      Though I May Speak

## WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

One : Come, all who have walked without light;  
come to the light that lives in Jesus Christ.

**All: God is my light and salvation; whom shall I fear?  
God is the stronghold of my life: I shall not be afraid.**

One: Come, all who would heed the invitation of Jesus;  
come together, to follow Him into the world.

**All: God empowers us at the cross of Christ;  
we are eager to receive good news to share. Amen**

HYMN 356      Come Thou Font of Every Blessing

*Nettleton*

1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of God's unchanging love!

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,  
Hither by Thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood.

3. O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee;  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

CALL TO CONFESSION

SILENT CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

# WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

## HYMN 492    Baptized in Water

1. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,    Cleansed by the  
 2. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,    Dead in the  
 3. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it,    Marked with the

Em    Am    Em                    G                    C                    Am    F                    C/G

blood of Christ, our King;    Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust-ing the  
 tomb with Christ, our King;    One with His ris - ing, Freed and for -  
 sign of Christ, our King;    Born of the Spir - it, We are God's

Am    G                    C                    G/B                    Am    .G7                    C

prom - ise,    Faith - ful - ly    now    God's prais - es we sing.  
 giv - en,    Thank - ful - ly    now    God's prais - es we sing.  
 chil - dren,    Joy - ful - ly    now    God's prais - es we sing.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 43:1-7 (O.T., p. 672)

HYMN Thy Word

Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet, and a light un-to my  
path. When I feel a- fraid, think I've lost my way,  
Still you're there right be - side me, And  
noth- ing will I fear as long as you are near, Please be near me  
to the end. Thy Word is a  
(Repeat twice)  
lamp un - to my feet and a light un - to my path.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 1:19-36 (N.T., p. 92)

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Though I May Speak

SERMON Baptized by Jesus

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S PROMISE**

OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

# WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

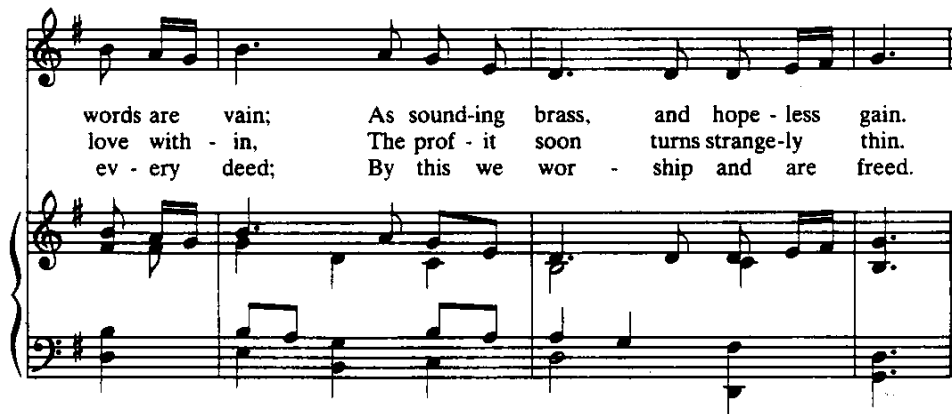
## SENDING HYMN      *Though I May Speak*



1. Though I may speak      with brav - est fire,      And have the  
2. Though I may give      all I pos - sess,      And striv - ing  
3. Come, Spir - it, come,      our hearts con - trol,      Our spir - its



gift      to all in - spire,      And have not love,      my  
so      my love pro - fess,      But not be given      by  
long      to be made whole.      Let in - ward love      guide



words are vain;      As sound - ing brass,      and hope - less gain.  
love with - in,      The prof - it soon      turns strange - ly thin.  
ev - ery deed;      By this we wor - ship and are freed.

## BENEDICTION

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**THE PINK ROSEBUD WELCOMES** Chiara Marian Smith, born December 17, 2009, daughter of Lydia and Jonathan Smith.

**CAMPUS MINISTRY MEAL:** Students, join us in the Curtis Room after the 5:45 p.m. worship service, and enjoy a (free!) Sunday evening meal.

**The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan is called to its annual meeting at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, January 31, 2010 to hear reports of its ministry and mission and approve the terms of call for its installed pastors.**

## *Announcements*

**CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP** meets on Monday, January 11, at 7:00 p.m., in the Hillegonds Chapel. Please join this friendly group of caregivers as we offer support, comfort and advice to each other. For more information, contact Martine Blogin, parish nurse, at 662-4466 ext 26, or [mblogin@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mblogin@firstpresbyterian.org).

**MOTHERS' MORNING** will start off the new year on Tuesday, January 12, with a "Keith Hafner's Karate" women's self-defense class. Please dress comfortably for some physical activity! In this class we'll talk about emotional respect, body balance, power and confidence. Come learn some key defensive skills and simple self-defense techniques you can practice at home. For more information contact Carolyn Gehrke, 572-5832 or [gehrkec@hotmail.com](mailto:gehrkec@hotmail.com).

**HILLTOPPERS MEETS JANUARY 14** from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. **Please note the time change.** We welcome Dr. John Branch, UM Business school professor (also with the Center for Russian and Eastern European Studies), who will speak on "Developing Cultural Competence." The presentation is at 11:00 a.m., with lunch following at noon.

**PLEASE TAKE TIME TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY:** The Self Study Committee has completed and posted online the congregational survey for members and friends of the congregation to complete. An email with the link to the survey was included in the congregational email sent out last week. The link is also on the church website. Those members who receive *First Press* by regular mail should have received a printed copy of the survey. Extra copies are available on the table outside the Church Office and at the Welcome Center. The committee hopes as many folks as possible will take

the 30 minutes needed to complete the survey between now and January 15. Your input is crucial! Thank you for your participation.

**JOIN IN CHRISTIAN MEDITATION** in Monteith Hall on Saturday, January 17, from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. Bring a journal or notebook. For more information, contact Jeanette Kibler (332-0237, [jeanette.kibler@gmail.com](mailto:jeanette.kibler@gmail.com)).

**YOUTH NEWS: Keystones** meets tonight and will attend the revamped 5:45 worship (on the second and fourth Sundays each month) with youth group to follow until 8:00 p.m. If you would like to help plan the 5:45 worship see RJ to get connected. **Monster Jam** is Saturday, January 16, at Ford Field at 4:30 p.m. See RJ to sign up. The Presbyterian Youth Triennium trip is July 20-24. Cost is \$460. **Confirmation** begins today with class, worship, and a brunch. **The MIDS Splash Universe** trip is Friday, January 22, from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. Come enjoy the waterslides, lazy river and more. Bring your own towel. Sign up with RJ. Please turn in a new signed Consent Release, a water park release, and \$16 by January 18.

**THE NEXT MATURE MINISTRIES' MOVIE MORNING** is January 28. Meet at the church to watch and discuss the spiritual and theological significance of the movie *The Aviator*. Hope you can join us! Sign up by January 25. Watch for our February movie morning, which will include going to a theater together. Interested? Contact the "Fellowship and Fun" subcommittee of Mature Ministries: Malcolm Powers ([mmpowers@umich.edu](mailto:mmpowers@umich.edu), 761-9859) or Melissa Anne Rogers ([mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org), 662-4466, ext. 12).

**ARCHBISHOP ELIAS CHACOUR WILL VISIT FIRST PRES** on January 26. The Archbishop is the founder of the Mar Elias Educational Institutions in Ibillin, North Galilee, Israel, a small impoverished Muslim and Christian village. The schools welcome all religious faiths and ethnic groups as students, staff and teachers, and now serve 3,500 students within a 25 to 30 mile radius.

On Tuesday, January 26, at 7:00 p.m., in the Sanctuary, Father Chacour and national Pilgrims of Ibillin Executive Director Rev. Dr. Robert Sawyer will give presentations on the schools' recent scholastic achievements, and the outcome of the Pilgrims of Ibillin's recent donations. Father Chacour will discuss some of the problems facing the schools, the importance of academic studies and of learning how to "love all neighbors as yourself." After the presentations, all are invited to the Social Hall for coffee, tea, and cookies. Archbishop Chacour will also hold a book signing.

**ANNUAL ALL CHURCH MEETING AND POTLUCK BRUNCH** will be held Sunday, January 29. The annual meeting will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary, immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. **There will be no 11:00 a.m. worship service that day.** A potluck brunch will be held in the Social Hall, after the annual meeting. Those whose last names begin with A through F are asked to bring a salad; G through R, a main dish; and S through Z, a dessert. Please call the Church Office (662-4466) if you are planning to attend, so that an appropriate number of tables can be set up.

**THANK YOU FROM CAMPUS MINISTRY** to each and every person who made our Sixth Annual Old Fashioned Pancake Supper a night to be remembered for more than 300 students who came to First Pres for fellowship, rest, great food, and fun on their last day of classes. The Pancake Supper and Campus Ministry could not happen without you!

**HAVE YOU EVER “ADOPTED” A GRANDPARENT?** This is a wonderful way for our youngsters at First Pres to make special connections with the more mature members of our church and for the mature members to enjoy these youngsters in a wonderful way, while also building relationships between families. We’d like to have some type of “adopt-a-grandparent” program at First Pres next year. If you have been a part of a similar program in past schools, organizations, or churches, and would be willing to help lend your input to our leaders here, please call or email Melissa Anne Rogers, (mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org, 662-4466, ext. 12). We are simply in the information-gathering stage, so your experience and input is helpful.

**TRIANGLE COOPERATIVE NURSERY SCHOOL** is now accepting applications for three- and four-year-olds for the 2010-2011 school year. First Pres members receive priority enrollment status for applications submitted before February 1. There will be an informational Open House on Saturday, February 6, from 10:00 a.m. to noon, for interested families to tour the school, meet the teacher and Triangle families, and have questions answered. Light refreshments and children’s activities will be offered. For an application or more information, please visit our website: [www.trianglecoop.org](http://www.trianglecoop.org), or contact us at [info@trianglecoop.org](mailto:info@trianglecoop.org) or 761-7688.

**PRAYING THE PSALMS** prayer group meets Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p.m. Pew cards with prayer requests may be completed and put in the offering plate. Members and visitors are welcome to join at any time.

## *Calendar for January 11-16*

### **MONDAY:**

Body and Soul, 9:30 a.m., Curtis Room  
Liturgical Dance Rehearsal, noon, Monteith Hall  
Mission Funding Subcommittee, 2:00 p.m., French Room/Library  
Caregiver Support Group, 7:00 p.m., Hillegonds Chapel  
CEFMC, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room  
Residency Committee, 7:00 p.m., Founders Room  
Stephen Ministry Leaders, 7:00 p.m., Room 101  
Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m., Social Hall  
Sanctus Ringers, 7:30 p.m., Room 403  
Rotating Shelter, 8:00 p.m., Social Hall

### **TUESDAY:**

Prayer Group, 7:30 a.m., Founders Room  
Mothers’ Morning, 9:00 a.m., Youth Room

ESL, 1:00 p.m., Rooms 101, 102, 104, Youth Room  
PW Horizons Circle, 1:00 p.m., Founders Room  
Endowment Committee, 4:30 p.m., Vance Room  
Personnel Committee, 6:30 p.m., Rev. Farris' Office  
Congregational Self-study Group, 7:00 p.m., French Room/Library  
Rotating Shelter, 8:00 p.m., Social Hall  
Campus Ministry Mid-Week Worship, 9:00 p.m., UM Union,  
Anderson Room

**WEDNESDAY:**

5:45 Planning Meeting, noon, Founders Room  
PW Reading Group, 1:00 p.m., away  
Wednesday Night Meal, 3:00-7:15 p.m. (volunteers),  
5:30 (meal), Delonis Center  
Delonis Greeting Card Program, 5:00 p.m., Delonis Center  
Praying the Psalms, 5:00 p.m., Lewis Room  
MIDS, 5:00 p.m., Youth Room  
TnT, 7:00 p.m., Room 104  
Board of Deacons, 7:00 p.m., Lewis, Vance, Founders and Curtis Rooms  
Rotating Shelter, 8:00 p.m., Social Hall

**THURSDAY:**

Hilltoppers, 11:00 a.m., Social Hall  
Adapted Exercise, 3:00 p.m., Curtis/Founders Room  
Executive Session, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Russel Room  
Adult Education Committee, 7:30 p.m., French Room/Library  
Rotating Shelter, 8:00 p.m., Social Hall

**FRIDAY:**

When I Was Little, 8:30 a.m., French Room/Library  
Prayer/Study Group, 9:00 a.m., away  
Men's Lunch, 11:30 p.m., Founders Room  
Rotating Shelter, 8:00 p.m., Social Hall

**SATURDAY:**

Christian Meditation, 8:00 a.m., Monteith Hall  
KEYS Monster Jam, 4:00 p.m., away  
Rotating Shelter, 8:00 p.m., Social Hall



*A Stephen Ministry  
Congregation*

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