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# the 5:45



**November 1, 2009**

**PREACHING** today are Stefan Shaffer, Dana DiMaggio, and Alexandre Jolliet.

**PARTICIPATING** today are the Reverends Jim Monnett and Sarah Wiles, and members of Keystones, our high school youth group.

**THE PIANIST** is Carol Muehlig.

# WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC Take the A Train

*Erin Tichenor*

## WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

*Reverend Jim Monnett*

Leader: God calls to every generation, every age. God calls children;  
Jesus welcomed children with open arms.

**People:** We remember Samuel who heard God's voice while still a child.

Leader: God calls youth, and makes them leaders of the people.

**People:** We remember Jeremiah and David who led Israel even in their youth.

Leader: God calls adults for various tasks of ministry.

**People:** We remember the disciples, men and women who followed Jesus,  
and our many ancestors in the faith.

Leader: God calls people of older years.

**People:** We remember Elizabeth, Simeon and Anna, and others whose years of  
experience helped form our faith.

Leader: In thanksgiving for all generations, for all who are called by God  
and serve God, let us pray.

**People:** God of the prophets and the prophets' children, God who called our  
fathers and mothers of past generations, we thank you that nothing  
could stop people from sharing your love in word and deed. You have  
called us, too, O God. Use our words and deeds to express your love for  
all people, in this time of worship and in the experiences of each day. Amen.

HYMN 332 Live Into Hope

*Truro*



1. Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed, Of sight re -  
2. Live in - to hope the blind shall see With in - sight  
3. Live in - to hope of lib - er - ty, The right to  
4. Live in - to hope of cap - tives freed From chains of

gained, the end of greed. The oppressed shall be the  
 and with clar - i - ty, Re - mov - ing shades of  
 speak, the right to be, The right to have one's  
 fear or want or greed. God now pro - claims our

first to see The year of God's own ju - bi - lee!  
 pride and fear — A vi - sion of our God brought near.  
 dai - ly bread, To hear God's word and thus be fed.  
 full re - lease To faith and hope and joy and peace.

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

*Jakob Hildebrant*

God of life and death, we confess that sometimes we are not alive to the possibilities you offer. In the midst of pain, unfairness, and fear, we struggle with hope. We feel despair or blame others, but we do not turn to you for help. Forgive us and show us how to share the new life you offer, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

SUNG RESPONSE O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Azmon

*Christ breaks the power of reigning sin,  
And sets the prisoner free;  
Christ's blood can make the sinful clean,  
Christ's blood availed for me.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

HYMN Thy Word



Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet, and a light un-to my  
path. When I feel a- afraid, 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.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*Amy Chronis*

## OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 43:1-5 (O.T., p. 672)

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Do Not Fear

*Alexander Jolliet*

ANTHEM Blackbird

*Lang DeLancey, guitar*

SERMON God Is With Us

*Dana DiMaggio*

ANTHEM Amazing Grace

*Annie Sturgeon*

SERMON Fire

*Stefan Shaffer*

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S PROMISE

### OFFERING

Prayer of Dedication

*Ben Brinkerhoff*

Offering Presentation Youth Ministry 2008-2009

### COMMISSIONING OF THE PITTSBURGH MISSION TEAM

*Next weekend, 39 high schoolers will travel to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to take part in The Pittsburgh Project. They will be rehabbing houses on Saturday and Sunday morning. The Leader Team is the Reverend Jim Monnett, Rachel Muelle, Lisa McKarns, Grace Lindvall, Dan Lerch, Chris King, Marc Buchanan, and Kevin Fennell. The mission team members are Alexa Geider, Liz McCubbrey, Nora Pierson, Erin Edwards, Ainsley McCallister, Cory Froning, Catie Holmes, Kelsey King, Sarah Chen, Anna Masini, Claire Roos, Eva Roos, Taylor Standiford, Annie Sturgeon, Maddy Walsh, Margaret Whittier-Ferguson, Annie Aldrich, Casie Ammerman, Amy Chronis, Scott Wilson, Chas Gott, Max Ammerman, Nick Blogin, Jakob Hildebrandt, Robert Vanderpluijm, Joe Chronis, Nick Jordan, Stefan Shaffer, Jack McKarns, Ryan Lindstrom, Alexandre Jolliet, Ben Kaldjian, Grant Strickler, Reid McCallister, Ryan Embree, Lang DeLancey and Alex Kaldjian.*

### THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

## GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the LORD.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the LORD.

People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## 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.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Breaking of the Bread, Pouring of the Cup

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*All communion chalices contain only nonalcoholic grape juice. Please use the words, "The body of Christ" and "The cup of salvation" when serving your brother or sister in Christ. Gluten-free wafers may be found in the center cup on the plate.*

## COMMUNION MUSIC

## THE COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**People: and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!**

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul;

**People: and forget not all God's blessings.**

## PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

### WE DEPART WITH GOD'S BLESSING

\*SENDING HYMN    Here I Am to Worship

Light of the world,  
You step down into darkness,  
Opened my eyes, let me see,  
Beauty that made this heart adore you  
hope of a life spent with you.

Chorus

And here I am to worship,  
here I am to bow down,  
here I am to say that you're my God,  
you're altogether lovely  
altogether worthy,  
altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days,  
O so highly exalted Glorious in heaven above.  
Humbly you came to the earth you created.  
All for love's sake became poor.

Chorus

Bridge

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.  
I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.  
And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.  
No, I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.

\*BLESSING

**THE 2009 ALL-CHURCH ADVENT STUDY** will use *Songs in Waiting*, by Paul-Gordon Chandler, a book that examines four hymns surrounding Christ's birth in the Gospel of Luke. All are invited and encouraged to join a small study group or read the book individually. Sign up starting today on boards in the Welcome Center, narthex, or 300 level foyer. You may also email your preferred meeting time to Resident Minister Jenny McDevitt at [jmcdevitt@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:jmcdevitt@firstpresbyterian.org). Books can be ordered (for study participants or other interested persons) through the church for \$22. Please submit payment with your order no later than November 15.

**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.

## *Announcements*

**DEACONS SAY THANK YOU TO OUR BLOOD DONORS** who attended the October 26 blood drive. We gave 32 pints!

**WEDNESDAY 2:42**, our midweek program, based on Acts 2:42, continues November 4. This semester, Wednesday 2:42 is following the churchwide theme "In the Beginning ... God." At dinner this week, we will look at Esther 4:16, "It Takes Courage to Do the Right Thing."

**THE CHANCEL CHOIR HOSTS CONNIE MEYER**, of the Russian Orthodox Church in Moscow, on Thursday, November 5, at 8:00 p.m. in the Curtis Room. Join us as she speaks about the rebuilding of the Russian Orthodox Church and its pastoral care for families and individuals. Questions? Contact Linda Speck at 677-0620, or [aa3013@wayne.edu](mailto:aa3013@wayne.edu).

**THE CARD MAKING MINISTRY MEETS** on Friday, November 6, at 9:30 a.m., in the French Room to make cards for deacons and others to deliver to our shut-ins. New-comers are welcome!

**A BAPTISM WORKSHOP** will be held on Saturday, November 14, at 10:00 a.m., in Monteith Hall, for parents who are considering having a child baptized at First Presbyterian, or those interested in the topic of baptism. **These classes are a requirement for parents before children are baptized.** To register, call Jennifer Sansbury, 662-4466, ext. 16.

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN'S ART SHOW IS BACK!** Be sure to see the works of 19 FPC artists on Sunday, November 8, in the Social Hall. Exhibits will be on view from 8:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. only!

**THE STEPHEN MINISTRY CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM, "Ele's Place: A Healing Center for Grieving Children,"** presented by Susan West, MSW, will be held Monday, November 9, from 7:00 to 7:45 p.m., in the Youth Room. Refreshments will be served.

**IF THIS IS A SEASON OF GRIEF FOR YOU,** we invite you to consider Stephen Ministry as a resource for Christian companionship through a difficult time. Stephen Ministers are currently available to meet with you. Please speak to Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers or contact Stephen Ministry at [sministry@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:sministry@firstpresbyterian.org), or 662.4466 ext. 31, for more information.

**CAMPUS MINISTRY MID-WEEK WORSHIP** is held Tuesdays at 9:00 p.m., at the Michigan Union in the Anderson Room. Questions? Contact Rev. Julie Marks at 662-4466, ext. 14.

**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 November 2 - 7*

### **MONDAY:**

Body and Soul, 9:30 a.m., Curtis Room  
Mature Ministry Committee, noon, Vance Room  
Liturgical Dance Rehearsal, noon, Monteith Hall  
Mission Committee, 6:00 p.m., Founders Room  
Grief Support Group, 6:30 p.m., Hillemonds Chapel  
YEMC, 7:00 p.m., French Room/Library  
WEBS, 7:00 p.m., Curtis Room  
Property Committee, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room  
Stephen Ministry Supervision, 7:00 p.m., Rooms 101, 102, Youth Room  
Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m., Social Hall  
Sanctus Ringers, 7:30 p.m., Room 403  
Campus Worship Team Practice, 8:00 p.m., French Room/Library

### **TUESDAY:**

Prayer Group, 7:30 a.m., Founders Room  
Bible Support Group, 10:00 a.m., Vance Room  
ESL, 1:00 p.m., Rooms 101, 102, 104, Youth Room  
Campus Ministry, 5:15 p.m., Vance Room  
Haiti Medical Mission Task Force, 6:00 p.m., Curtis Room  
Congregational Self-study Group, 7:00 p.m., French Room/Library  
Campus Ministry Mid-week Worship, 9:00 p.m., Anderson Room, Michigan Union

### **WEDNESDAY:**

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

**Wednesday 2:42:**

- 5:00 p.m. - MIDS, Praying the Psalms, Hosanna Choir, Alleluia Choir
- 5:45 p.m. - Gathering in the Social Hall
- 6:00 p.m. - Dinner in the Social Hall
- 7:00 p.m. - Preschool Childcare, Kindergarten - 5th Grade Class, Youth Choir, TnT, Bible Study, Adult Education Class

**THURSDAY:**

- OSHER Class: Photography, 1:00 p.m., Lewis Room
- Adapted Exercise, 3:00 p.m., Curtis/Founders Room
- Vision and Strategy, 6:00 p.m., Vance Room
- Abide, 7:00 p.m., French Room/Library
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Russel Room
- Campus Core Group (Carol Gottlieb), 7:30 p.m., Founders Room
- Connie Meyer Presentation, 8:00 p.m., Curtis Room

**FRIDAY:**

- Prayer/Study Group, 9:00 a.m., away
- Card Making Ministry, 9:30 a.m., French Room/Library
- Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Founders Room
- Pittsburgh Project Departs, 3:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY:**

- Arts Show Set-up, noon, Social Hall
- Betty Young Memorial Service, 12:30 p.m., Monteith Hall
- UM Vs. Purdue, Visit Booth 38!



*A Stephen Ministry  
Congregation*

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