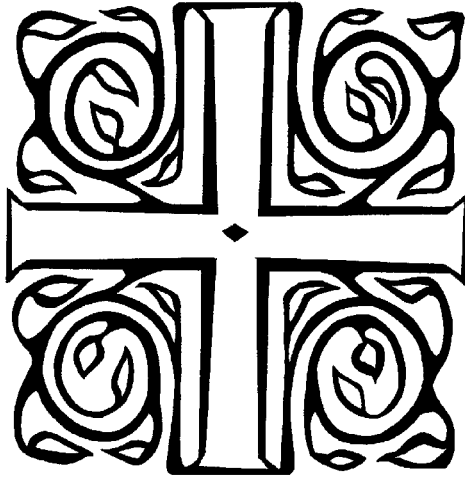


*The First Presbyterian Church
Ann Arbor, Michigan
August 8, 2010
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost*



WELCOME TO ALL, especially visitors and newcomers to Ann Arbor. Let us know of your presence by completing the pew card. Please know you are invited to share in all activities of the church. A full description of church events may be found online at www.firstpresbyterian.org.

*Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in bold type. * Please stand if you are able.
As we prepare for worship, please turn off all cell phones and beepers.
Hearing assistive devices, large print bulletins, hymnals and Bibles are available from the ushers.*

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

8:00 and 9:30 a.m.

*The service of worship commences with the voluntary;
quiet is requested as you enter the nave.*

GATHERING

(9:30) VOLUNTARY Prelude No. 2 in G

Felix Mendelssohn

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: We are people who have been called to follow where God leads us.

**All: By faith we can obey,
even when asked to walk into an unknown future.**

One: We are people who have been challenged to tell God's story to others.

All: By faith we have the ability to share the good news.

One: We are people who claim our identity as children of God.

All: By faith we will embrace our sisters and brothers in Christ.

One: We are people who have come together in Jesus' name.

All: Let us worship God!

***HYMN 132 Come, Great God of All the Ages**

Abbot's Leigh

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a people hungry for good news. We have been so dead to miracles that we have missed the world's rebirth. We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures and have overlooked the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with making a living that we have missed the life you set among us. We have not loved our neighbor as you commanded, nor have we truly loved ourselves. Forgive us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift; open our lips and hands to share it with all of creation in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

(8:00) KYRIE #572 in the Hymnal Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

(9:30) KYRIE

Lord, have
mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy.

***ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS**

***PASSING THE PEACE**

You are invited to share signs with one another of the peace we experience as forgiven people. As you greet one another, we invite you to shake hands or place your hands together in an attitude of prayer.

One to another: The peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

***GLORIA**

Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the
Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it: as it was in the be - gin-ning, is
now, and will be for ev - er. A - men. A - men. A - men.

PROCLAIMING

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 50:1-6, 22-23 (O.T., pp. 520, 521)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Hebrews 11:1-16 (N.T., pp. 225-26)

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(9:30) A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

The children through grade five may be seated at the foot of the chancel steps to meet with one of the pastors.

*HYMN 275 God of Our Life

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SERMON

RESPONDING

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in God the Holy Spirit,

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,

**sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

The same Spirit

who inspired the prophets and apostles

rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,

engages us through the Word proclaimed,

claims us in the waters of baptism,

feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,

and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.

In a broken and fearful world

the Spirit gives us courage

to pray without ceasing,

to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,

to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,

to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,

and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

With believers in every time and place,

we rejoice that nothing in life or in death

can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

From A Brief Statement of Faith, 1983 Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

WELCOME

Please sign the Friendship Book in each pew near the center aisle and pass it along your pew or to others sitting nearby. As it returns, note with whom you worship so that you may greet each other after the service.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

(9:30) OFFERTORY Then Shall the Righteous Shine Forth

Felix Mendelssohn

Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in their heavenly Father's realm.

Joy on their head shall be forever lasting, and all sorrow and mourning shall

flee away. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in their heavenly

Father's realm.

(8:00) THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

See Communion Liturgy Card

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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.

SENDING

*HYMN 430 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy! *Darwall's 148th*

*BENEDICTION

(9:30) VOLUNTARY Fugue in G *Felix Mendelssohn*

For those desiring prayer, the Prayer Team is available following the 9:30 worship service in the Hillegonds Chapel, to the right of the piano.

THE PREACHER at the 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. worship services is the Reverend Jenny McDevitt.

PARTICIPATING in the worship services are the Reverend Jim Monnett at 8:00 a.m., and the Reverends Julie Marks, Jim Monnett and Sarah Wiles at 9:30 a.m.

THE PIANIST at the 8:00 a.m. service is Ilya Blinov.

THE ORGANIST is Susan Boggs.

THE SOLOIST is Gerald Leckrone, baritone.

THE READERS are Cheryl Gulbranson at 8:00 a.m. and Beth Caldwell at 9:30 a.m.

THE GREETERS at 9:30 a.m. are Mark Lindley, Sandra Talbott and Barb Mueller.

THE PRAYER TEAM MEMBERS are Rosemarie Rowney and Laurie Kotchenruther.

"Accustom yourself gradually to carry prayer into all your daily occupations – speak, act, work in peace, as if you were in prayer, as indeed you ought to be."

François Fénelon

Today's Events

WORSHIP is at 8:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

CHURCH SCHOOL meets at 9:30 a.m. for crib-5th grade, however all children are welcome and encouraged to attend worship. Parents may be asked to present a picture I.D. when they pick up their children. Church School room assignments are: Crib, Room 203; Toddlers and Twos, Room 204; Threes, Fours and Young Fives, Room 201; Kindergarten through Fifth Grade, Room 404.

MATURE SINGLES meets at 11:00 a.m. in the Curtis Room. Today, Marcy Toon will lead a discussion on *The Bookseller of Kabul*, by Åsne Seierstad.

THE PHILIPPINES TASK FORCE MEETS TODAY AT 11:00 A.M. in the French Room/Library. Starting in September the meetings will be at noon or after the 11:00 a.m. service. The January Mission Trip to the Philippines will be discussed. If you are interested please stop by. We will also talk about other exciting projects and you will have lots of opportunities to get involved and enjoy snacks and some good company. Questions? Contact Joe Schmidt at jschmid3@peoplepc.com.

JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR on the terrace (weather permitting), or in the Social Hall (weather not permitting), following the 9:30 a.m. service. Child-friendly, peanut-free purchased snacks are available for children. We encourage you to join us for food and fellowship!

RADIO WORSHIP service is at 11:00 a.m. on WAAM (1600 AM), and on WAAM's website, waamannarbor.com.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of Eldon and Katie Beery on their 60th wedding anniversary by their children, Debra, Ellyn, and David and their families.

THE WHITE ROSE is given in memory of Paul Arrak, who died on Monday, August 2, 2010. Paul's memorial service will be held August 22, at 1:00 p.m., in the sanctuary.

Announcements

THE NEW (NON-PHOTO) CHURCH DIRECTORY IS NOW AVAILABLE in the Church Office for pick up. You are encouraged to take only one per family.

HOLD DONATIONS FOR HOUSE BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD: The House by the Side of the Road is closed temporarily as they look for a new location. **Please DO NOT drop off donations** of clothing and household goods at church. We will begin accepting donations again once the House has relocated.

A TWO-SESSION BAPTISM WORKSHOP will be held Sundays, August 22 and August 29, at 11:00 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 workshops are a requirement for parents before children are baptized.** To register, call Jennifer Sansbury, 662-4466, ext. 16.

ARE YOU A GRAD STUDENT? Please join us for a Summer Bible Study that meets weekly on Mondays, now through August 30, from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., on the lower level of Espresso Royale on South University. This study is open to any and all grad students looking to build community and explore/grow in knowing Christ. We are discussing Jesus' teachings in the Sermon on the Mount. Questions? Contact Rev. Julie Marks, Director of Campus Ministry, at jmarks@firstpresbyterian.org, or 662-4466, ext. 14.

OUR ESL PROGRAM NEEDS CONVERSATION PARTNERS and tutors. Tutors and conversation partners all say they receive more than they give in time spent with international guests! To be a conversation partner, all you need to be is an American English speaker; to be a tutor, you will be given training through the Washtenaw Literacy program. We meet an hour and a half weekly, from September through May, with summers off. The corps of volunteers is large enough that individuals can easily step out for a few weeks if they need to be away. Interested? Contact Virginia Koster (vkoster@aol.com, or 930-9962), coordinator, for more information.

UPCOMING MOTHERS' MORNING SUMMER FUN TUESDAYS:

August 10, meet at Veterans Memorial Park and Pool (2150 Jackson Ave., 761-7240) for public swim, from 1:00 to 4:45 p.m. Bring snacks, suits, and towels.

August 17, meet at Rolling Hills Water Park (7660 Stoney Creek Road, Ypsilanti), at 11:30 a.m., for a picnic, then swimming. Cost is \$5 per car and \$6 per person. Those under 36" tall are free. Bring a picnic lunch, suits and towels.

TWO MORE MATURE MINISTRIES TRIPS COMING UP!

Labyrinth Adventure: On Thursday, August 19, Mature Ministries will travel to the home of Kurt and Kathy Hillig, 7654 W. Ellsworth, to walk a labyrinth cut in their field! We will learn about labyrinths and have time to experience the divine presence through that spiritual discipline. Afterwards we will share a potluck lunch together (beverages provided). Wear comfortable shoes and casual clothes. Meet at church at 11:00 a.m. We'll return at 2:00 p.m. Sign up in the church office by August 16. Call Melissa Anne Rogers for more information, 662-4466, ext. 12.

On Thursday, August 26, we will travel to the Toledo Museum of Art and Glass Pavilion at 9:00 am., returning at 3:00 p.m. Transportation is \$10 and admission is free. Sign up by August 15 by calling the Church Office, 662-4466, or contacting Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers (mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org).

ARBOR HOSPICE SUPPORT GROUPS: Arbor Hospice will be starting their fall 8-week support groups the week of September 19. Two new groups being added are the Men's Loss group and the Young Adult group (for individuals in their mid-20s to 40s). In addition, Arbor Hospice will be offering monthly Workshops for One. Upcoming topics include "Traveling Alone" in September and "Basic Home Maintenance" in October. For more information on all of the Grief Support programs call Melissa Schultz, Grief Coordinator, at 794-5460 or 794-5375.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF FIRST PRES? The next set of new member classes will be September 26 and October 3 at 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall. For more information, contact Resident Minister Rev. Jenny McDevitt at 662-4466, or jmcdevitt@firstpresbyterian.org.

Calendar for August 9-14

MONDAY:

Grad Student Bible Study, 12:00 noon, away
Stewardship Committee, 6:00 p.m., Founders Room
Stephen Ministry Supervision, 6:30 p.m., Youth Room, Rooms 101,102
CEFMC, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room

TUESDAY:

Stewardship Planning Committee, 7:00 p.m., Founders Room

WEDNESDAY:

Wednesday Night Meal, 3:00-7:15 p.m. (volunteers), 5:00 p.m.
(greeting card program), 5:30 (meal), Delonis Center

THURSDAY:

Adapted Exercise, 3:00 p.m., Curtis Room
Executive Session, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room

FRIDAY:

Prayer/Study Group, 9:00 a.m., away
Military Veterans Meeting, noon, Founders Room
Knit Night, 7:30 p.m., Traxler Home, 2519 Packard Road, Apt. C

SATURDAY:

No Events Scheduled



*A Stephen Ministry
Congregation*