

*The First Presbyterian Church  
Ann Arbor, Michigan  
February 15, 2009  
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**WELCOME TO ALL**, especially visitors and newcomers to Ann Arbor. Let us know of your presence by completing the pew card. Our mission is to grow spiritually as disciples of Jesus Christ through worship, fellowship, mission, learning, and prayer. We commit ourselves, in all we say and do, to demonstrate God's grace and love. 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](http://www.firstpresbyterian.org).



THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**GATHERING**

(9:30/11:00) VOLUNTARY Pilgrims' Chorus (from *Tannhaeuser*)  
*Richard Wagner, arr. Merle Isaac*  
Presbyterian Church Orchestra

**LIFE IN THE CHURCH**

*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.*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Psalm 30:4-5**

Leader: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones,

**People: and give thanks to his holy name.**

Leader: For his anger is but for a moment; his favor for a lifetime.

**People: Weeping may linger for the night,  
but joy comes with the morning.**

**\*HYMN 181 Come Sing to God**

*Ellacombe*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Where are you, O God? Where have you gone?  
We confess that we ignore you for so long  
that we forget the sound of your voice.  
When we have a sudden need,  
it feels then as though you are hiding from us,  
or that you do not exist at all.  
On those days when we are down in a pit,  
and there is no way out,  
we do not trust that you are there for us.  
Instead, we look for help in the wrong places  
and pursue our own ideas of what is best for us.  
Forgive us, O God, and teach us healthy self-control  
and a responsiveness to you.

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**Kyrie (#572 in the Hymnal) Lord, Have Mercy**  
*Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us,  
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

**ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*Following the Assurance of Forgiveness, worshipers are invited to turn to their neighbors, offer the right hand of fellowship, and greet them with the words: “The peace of Christ be with you.” Worshipers are invited to respond with the words, “And also with you.”*

**\*GLORIA (#579 in the Hymnal)**

*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.*

(9:30/11:00) **ANTHEM** Canon on Alleluia

*Johann Pachelbel, arr. Gooch*

*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.*

Covenant Youth Ensemble

**PROCLAIMING**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**READING FROM SCRIPTURE**

Mark 1:40-45 (N.T., pp. 35-36)

**Leader:** The word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

(9:30/11:00) **A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

*The children may come to the chancel steps to meet one of the pastors.*

**HYMN 328 All Praise to God for Song God Gives Sacred Song**

**SERMON**

**RESPONDING**

**OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS**

(9:30/11:00) ANTHEM *How Excellent Thy Name* Howard Hanson  
*O Lord, our Lord, how excellent Thy name in all the earth! who hast set Thy glory above the heavens. When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and stars, which Thou hast ordained: what is man, that Thou art mindful of him? and the Son of man, that Thou visitest him? For Thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honor. Thou madest him to have dominion over the work of Thy hands; Thou hast put all things under his feet. O Lord our Lord, how excellent Thy name in all the earth. Alleluia.* Psalm 8

**\*DOXOLOGY (#592 in the Hymnal)**

*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 DEDICATION**

**(8:00) THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION**

*See Communion Liturgy Card*

**(9:30/11:00) MINUTE FOR MISSION** Campus Ministry Shelly Hilger

**(9:30) COMMISSIONING OF CAMPUS MINISTRY MISSIONERS**

*Campus Ministry students will travel to the Dominican Republic February 21 - 28, in partnership with Young Life College. Students will work with Children of the Nations on a variety of construction projects and infrastructure improvements, and interact with local children. Please keep our campus students in your prayers.*

**PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, INTERCESSION AND PETITION 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 481** *Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show* Llanfair

**\*BENEDICTION**

**(9:30/11:00) CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing* Eleanor Remick Warren

**VOLUNTARY** *Fugue in G Minor* J. S. Bach; arr. Merle Isaac

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

**THE PREACHER** at the 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m worship services is the Reverend Douglas J. Brouwer. The preacher at the 5:45 p.m. worship service is the Reverend Jim Monnett.

**PARTICIPATING** in the worship services are the Reverend Jana Reister at 8:00 a.m., the Reverends Deborah Knott and Julie Marks at 9:30 a.m., the Reverends Deborah Knott and Melissa Anne Rogers at 11:00 a.m., and the Reverend Julie Marks at 5:45 p.m.

**THE PIANIST** at the 8:00 a.m. service is Jon Ophoff.

**THE CHANCEL CHOIR DIRECTOR** is Kristen Eder.

**THE YOUTH CHOIR DIRECTOR** is Susan Boggs.

**THE YOUTH CHOIR ACCOMPANIST** is Jan Leckrone.

**THE ORGANIST** is Susan Boggs.

**THE PRESBYTERIAN ORCHESTRA CONDUCTOR** is Gerry Leckrone.

**THE READERS** are Linda Strodman at 8:00 a.m., Brady West at 9:30 a.m., and confirmand Andrew Henning at 11:00 a.m.

**THE GREETERS** at 9:30 a.m. are Dick and Sue Rigterink and Carol Fletcher. The greeters at 11:00 a.m. are Frank and Nelly Petrock and Barbara Mueller.

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given in loving memory of my dear wife Dorothy by Howard Parker, their children and grandchildren. The flowers are also given in loving memory of her husband Charlie, by Carolyn Roberts and their son David.

## Today's Events

**WORSHIP** is at 8:00 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

**CHURCH SCHOOL** meets today at 9:30 a.m. for crib-12th grade and at 11:00 a.m. for crib-5th grade. Parents may be asked to present a picture I.D. when they pick up their children.

### **ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES:**

**At 9:30 a.m. in the French Room/Library**, the Rev. Ed Koster continues to lead the class through the Bible, currently studying the book of Acts.

**At 11:00 a.m. in the Lewis Room**, Robert Wallin, Deputy Assistant Dean for Student Academic Affairs at U-M College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, presents "Vergil and Christianity," an examination of the strange and fascinating relationship between the great Latin pagan poet and Christianity.

**FIRST COUPLES** meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Curtis Room to watch part two of *National Geographic: In God's Name*, a DVD about twelve of the world's most powerful spiritual leaders.

**GROCERY STORE SCRIP CARDS ARE AVAILABLE** at coffee hour today for Hiller's, Kroger's, Busch's, and Whole Foods. Purchase them from Craig Blogin today and find out how shopping with a SCRIP card supports mission and youth mission endeavors.

**SIGN UP TODAY FOR SATURDAY SUPPERS** during coffee hour. Get to know other church members, share good food and enjoy an evening in someone's home! Those who participate are assigned to a host home and are asked to bring a salad, dessert, or side dish. Singles, couples, families ... all are welcome. Questions? Contact Nancy Briggs at 663-2549.

**THE PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN FOOD DRIVE** for the Detroit Presbytery Hunger Program concludes today. Donations of canned goods, non-perishables, peanut butter and Cheerios can be placed in the boxes by the Church Office and the Welcome Center.

**FIRST SINGLES** meets at 11:00 a.m. in the Curtis Room. Today, First Presbyterian member Polly Pan continues the audio series of *Great Figures from the New Testament*. The subject is Paul.

**MEMBERS OF QUAD C AND THEIR FAMILIES** are invited to attend the Quad C Potluck Brunch today, in the Social Hall immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

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

**KEYSTONES** will attend the 5:45 p.m. worship service together tonight.

## Announcements

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COST OF CHANCEL FLOWERS** has increased to \$50 for 2009.

**PHILIPPINES TASK FORCE SHOE DRIVE IS EXTENDED** through February. Please donate any size children's shoes, and adult shoes up to size 7 for women, and 10 for men. Collection boxes are by the Welcome Center and outside the Church Office.

**YOUTH NEWS:** Check the website, [www.firstpresbyterian.org](http://www.firstpresbyterian.org), under Education and Youth Ministry for all the up-to-date happenings. **High Schoolers**, the 30-Hour Famine Lock-in is April 3. Come to **MIDS** at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, go to **dinner**, then enjoy **Youth Choir** at 7:00 p.m. **Winter Jam Concert** is coming to EMU Convocation Center, March 14, and we are going! Cost is \$10. **Youth Sunday school follows the same schedule** as the children's Sunday school. There will be no youth Sunday school next week, February 22. Bring your energy to worship. Let's kick it up a notch!

**THE PW FEBRUARY GATHERING** will be held Wednesday, February 17, beginning with a Bible study at 9:30 a.m. in Monteith Hall. At 10:45 p.m., Carl Binder and Malcolm Powers will talk about their artwork, particularly their pieces on display at the church. Lunch will follow in the Social Hall. RSVP to Toni Keuning, 663-3777.

**PHOTO WORKSHOP: IMAGES OF GOD'S CREATION**, a workshop to positively critique previously submitted work in order to help attenders see what makes a good photograph, will be held Saturday, February 21, from 10:00 a.m. until noon, in the Lewis Room. You need not have submitted a photograph to attend! Questions? Contact Scott Strodtman, [scott.strodtman@comcast.net](mailto:scott.strodtman@comcast.net), Marion Powers, [mmpowrs@umich.edu](mailto:mmpowrs@umich.edu), or Heidi Goodhart, [dendles@gmail.com](mailto:dendles@gmail.com).

**ALL-CHURCH LENTEN STUDY BEGINS IN MARCH:** Join us for study, reflection, and prayer as we prepare ourselves for Easter. The study will use *An Altar in the World; A Geography of Faith*, by Barbara Brown Taylor. Sign up to reserve a copy in the church office. Class offerings and leaders will be posted soon. Questions? Contact Rev. Aaron Janklow at [ajanklow@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:ajanklow@firstpresbyterian.org), or 662-4466, ext. 54.

**STEPHEN MINISTRY LEADERSHIP TEAM INVITES** the congregation to the Youth Room from 7:05 to 7:45 p.m. on **February 23** for the continuing education session, "Resources for Dealing with Economic Difficulties," presented by Helena Prince of Friends in Deed.

**ANNUAL ASH WEDNESDAY TAIZE SERVICE** will be held at 7:30 p.m. on February 25 in our Sanctuary. The service will include prayer, scripture, silence, imposition of ashes, Holy Communion, and singing of music from the Ecumenical Community of Taizé, France. Worship leadership includes participants from Campus Chapel, First Presbyterian, Lord of Light Lutheran, Ann Arbor Campus Reformed, and Memorial Christian churches. Children are welcome at this service.

**NEW ADAPTED EXERCISE CLASS:** The Parish Nurse/Pastoral Care programs and the Ann Arbor Parkinson's Support Group are offering an eight-week adapted exercise program for those with movement disorders, beginning Thursday, February 26, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m., in the Curtis Room. Classes will be led by a physical therapist experienced in adapted exercise programs. Tuition for the eight-week class is \$24, or \$4 per class as a drop-in. For more information, see [www.firstpresbyterian.org](http://www.firstpresbyterian.org), or contact Jim Wheaton (665-4088, [wheatonjim@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wheatonjim@sbcglobal.net)) or Martine Blogin, parish nurse ([mblogin@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mblogin@firstpresbyterian.org), 662-4466, ext. 26).

**APPLICANTS SOUGHT FOR PW SCHOLARSHIP:** Each year, the Presbyterian Women of our church provide scholarship funds to aid college women engaged in seminary training or training for Christian ministry. They are now seeking applicants for this year's award. Women interested in applying are asked to contact Katie Beery at [ebeery@juno.com](mailto:ebeery@juno.com), or 996-9139. Applications must be received no later than Friday, April 24.

**THE PASTORAL CARE OFFICE** is creating an email database for the purpose of sending out announcements of funeral and memorial services. If you would like to receive email notices about deaths and memorial services, please let the Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers know, at [mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org).

**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. Questions? Contact Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers at 662-4466, ext. 12, or [mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org).

## *Calendar for February 16-21*

### **MONDAY:**

Body and Soul, 9:30 a.m., Curtis Room  
Liturgical Dance Rehearsal, noon, Monteith Hall  
Stephen Ministry Training, 6:30 p.m., Room 104  
Finance Committee, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room  
Holyland Trip Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Lewis Room  
Boy Scouts, 7:30 p.m., Social Hall  
Sanctus Ringers, 7:30 p.m., Room 403  
Campus Ministry Music, 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, 4:00 p.m., 100 Level Classroom  
Endowment Committee, 4:30 p.m., Vance Room  
Peru Task Force, 6:30 p.m., Founders Room  
Campus Core Group, 7:00 p.m., Youth Room  
Stewardship Committee, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room  
Campus Ministry Mid-Week Worship, 9:00 p.m., away



*A Stephen Ministry  
Congregation*

### **WEDNESDAY:**

PW Gathering, 9:30 a.m., Monteith and Social Halls  
Wednesday Night Meal, 3:00-7:15 p.m. (volunteers), 5:30 (meal)  
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, Extraordinary Worship,  
Taiwanese/First Pres Bible Study

Session, 7:00 p.m., Curtis Room  
Board of Deacons, 7:00 p.m., Lewis Room

### **THURSDAY:**

Campus Ministry Intern Interviews, noon to 8:00 p.m., Youth Room  
Campus Ministry Student Leadership Team, 3:30 p.m., Vance Room  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Russel Room  
Triangle General Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Curtis/Founders Rooms

### **FRIDAY:**

When I Was Little, 8:30 p.m., French Room/Library  
Prayer/Study Group, 9:00 a.m., away  
Men's Lunch, noon, Founders Room  
Campus Core Group Meeting, 2:00 p.m., Hillemonds Chapel

### **SATURDAY:**

Ann Arbor Schools/U-M Mid-Winter Break begins  
Photography Workshop, 10:00 a.m., Lewis Room  
Campus Ministry Dominican Republic Mission Trip Begins