

The First Presbyterian Church
Ann Arbor, Michigan
February 28, 2010
Second Sunday in Lent

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.

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

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

GATHERING

(9:30/11:00) VOLUNTARY Prelude and Fugue in G Minor *Marcel Dupré*

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**

One: We do not live by bread alone,

All: but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

One: Jesus said, "If anyone wants to follow me,

All: let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily."

One: Praise the Lord!

All: The Lord's name be praised!

***HYMN 488 The God of Abraham Praise**

Leoni

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving Lord, you know we are reluctant to see ourselves as you see us. We try to forget our sin by being busy with many activities. We are anxious and do not know peace because we live with our sin rather than repenting of it. Forgive our fear of being transformed by your forgiveness and love. Guide us to new life through Christ our redeemer, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE O Lord, Hear My Prayer

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer:
when I call an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O
Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O

Last time

The image shows a musical score for the Kyrie. It consists of three staves of music in G major, 4/4 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a repeat sign. The second staff ends with a fermata over the final note. The third staff is marked 'Last time' and ends with a double bar line.

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 we are in flu season, we encourage you to participate in "touch free" passing of the peace. As you greet one another, rather than shaking hands, 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 (#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.

PROCLAIMING

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 8:11-19 (O.T., p. 165)

(9:30/11:00) ANTHEM Thanks Be to God

Felix Mendelssohn

Thanks be to God; He laveth the thirsty land. The waters gather, they rush along! They are lifting their voices! The stormy billows are high, their fury is mighty. But the Lord is above them, and Almighty. Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 10:23-27 (N.T., p. 46)

Leader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(9:30/11:00) 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 87 The Glory of These Forty Days

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SERMON The First Temptation: Money

RESPONDING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We trust in Jesus Christ,

fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:

preaching good news to the poor

and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed

and blessing the children,

healing the sick

and binding up the brokenhearted,

eating with outcasts,

forgiving sinners,

and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,

Jesus was crucified,

suffering the depths of human pain

and giving his life for the sins of the world.

**God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.**

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

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

(9:30/11:00) ANTHEM O Salutaris Hostia Gio-
acchino Rossini

*O salutaris hostia, quae caeli pandis ostium, bella premunt hostilia, da robur,
fer auxilium.*

(Tr.) O Redeeming Sacrifice, which opens the gate of heaven: enemies
threaten wars; give us strength, send aid.

(8:00) THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

See Communion Liturgy Card

***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

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 420 God of Grace and God of Glory CWM Rhondda**

***BENEDICTION**

(9:30/11:00) CHORAL RESPONSE Amen Peter Lutkin

During this solemn season of Lent, there will be no postludes.

On Easter morning, we will return to the festive organ music of resurrection.

*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 a.m. worship service is the Reverend
Matthew Nickel. The preacher at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services
is the Reverend Lawrence W. Farris. The preacher at the 5:45 p.m. worship
service is the Reverend Matthew Nickel.

PARTICIPATING in the worship services are the Reverend Sarah Wiles
at 8:00 a.m., the Reverends Brewster H. Gere and Melissa Anne Rogers at
9:30 a.m., the Reverends Jim Monnett, Melissa Anne Rogers and Sarah Wiles
at 11:00 a.m., and the Reverend Jim Monnett at 5:45 p.m.

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

THE CHANCEL CHOIR CONDUCTOR is Susan Boggs.

THE ORGANISTS are Susan Boggs and Carol Muehlig.

THE READERS are Rudi Ansbacher at 8:00 a.m., Jean White at 9:30
a.m., and Mary McKeever at 11:00 a.m.

THE GREETERS at 9:30 a.m. are George and Ann Weinhagen and Richard Fox. The greeters at 11:00 a.m. are Bob and Carolyn Beuhler and Diane Johnston.

THE PRAYER TEAM MEMBERS are Lillian Henry and Frank Bongiorno.

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. Youth "Munch and Mingle" and Sunday school for sixth through twelfth graders meet in Monteith Hall. Confirmation class meets for Munch and Mingle in Monteith Hall, then has class in the Youth Room.

ADULT EDUCATION:

At 9:30 a.m. in the French Room/Library, Ed Koster continues his in-depth discussion of the Bible. The class is currently studying the book of Matthew. Everyone is welcome to attend!

At 11:00 a.m. in the Lewis Room, Rev. George Lambrides, Executive Director of the Interfaith Round Table of Washtenaw County, will conclude the series, "Political Correctness vs. Religious Reality: How to Navigate Inter-religious Associations in Marriage, the Work Place, and Faith Communities."

FIRST COUPLES meets at 9:30 a.m. in the Curtis Room. Today, Lilly Resident Minister Rev. Sarah Wiles will speak about her service work in India.

JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR in the Social Hall, 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!

SIGN UP FOR SATURDAY SUPPERS TODAY: On Saturday, March 27, at 6:00 p.m., meet 7, 8, or 9 other church members for dinner, share great 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, vegetable, or dessert. You can volunteer to be a host home (and provide the main dish) when you sign up. This event is open to singles, couples, and families. Interested? Sign up at coffee hour today through March 14, or contact Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers at mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org, or 662-4466, ext. 12.

JOIN THE ALL-CHURCH LENTEN STUDY: Please join us as we read and study *Loving Jesus* by Mark Allan Powell. Powell, a New Testament professor at Trinity Lutheran Seminary, presents a biblical spirituality focused on harboring a steadier flame and deeper commitment to our God revealed to us in Jesus Christ. Author Marva Dawn writes, "Powell's book quickens our faith and outreach by teaching us how desperate for true love our world is and how thoroughly our spirituality can be imbued with love as it becomes more deeply formed by the Scriptures, prayer, and worship." Sign up in the 300 Level foyer, the Social Hall, or the narthex. Books are \$15 and available for purchase in the Church Office. Please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church, with "Lenten Book" on the memo line. If paying with cash, please have correct change. Questions? Contact Rev. Jenny McDevitt at jmcdevitt@firstpresbyterian.org.

FIRST SINGLES meets at 11:00 a.m. in the Curtis Room and Robert Klingler will show a DVD on the seven ancient wonders of the world.

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

THE FOURTH SUNDAY POTLUCK IS TODAY! All in the church are welcome to come to the Social Hall after the 11:00 a.m. worship today for lunch. This month's potluck, starting at noon, is sponsored by the Mature

Ministries Committee. Bring a stress-free side dish and enjoy the fellowship of church friends, choir members, and staff.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS are given in loving memory of their son Douglas Lane by Carolyn and Bob Harris.

The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor is called to meet on Sunday, March 7, immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service, for the purpose of electing an Associate Pastor Nominating Committee.

Announcements

CONFIRMATION FIELD TRIP HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED: The Confirmation field trip that was to take place today, has been rescheduled for March 14 at noon. The trip is intended for confirmands and their families, and mentors and their families.

A LENTEN ACTIVITY GUIDE IS AVAILABLE FOR FAMILIES to download from First Presbyterian's website. The Lenten Activity Guide contains scripture readings, crafts, an explanation of the days of Holy Week, symbols, and activities. To download the pdf, go to www.firstpresbyterian.org and enter "Lenten Activity Guide" in the search box in the upper left corner of the screen, click on "search," and then click on the blue link "download our new Lenten Activity Guide."

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE: We have received 559 pledges totalling \$1,414,933; our pledge goal is \$1,442,105.

LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME? Curious about the Presbyterian Church? You are cordially invited to our next New Members/Inquirers Class, which will meet on four Wednesdays, March 3, 10, 17, and 24, at 7:00 p.m. Those who wish to join the church will be welcomed into membership at worship on Sunday, March 28. If you are interested in participating in this class, please call the church office, 662-4466, to sign up.

DELONIS GREETING CARD PROGRAM URGENTLY NEEDS HELP! There is an *urgent need* for more volunteers to distribute greeting cards at the Delonis Center on Wednesdays from 5:15 to 6:45 p.m. Two volunteers are needed each week. If you can help in this way, please contact Jeannine Buchanan at 971-6589.

COME TO THE ANNUAL FAMILY SWIM AND PIZZA PARTY on Saturday, March 13, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., at the Whitmore Lake High School swimming pool, 7430 Whitmore Lake Road. Pizza will be served at 3:15 p.m. The cost is \$2 per person, payable upon arrival. The pool has a wonderful shallow end for younger children, and diving boards in the deep end for the more advanced. The Whitmore Lake High School is a short drive up US 23. Get off at the North Territorial Road exit. We need to know how much pizza to order, so please sign up at the Welcome Center on Sundays, or email Deborah MacVey at dmacvey@firstpresbyterian.org.

YOUTH UPDATES:

Are you a budding artist? Join Blue Lake Art students as they paint a major work at the church on Saturdays in March. If you are interested in participating, submit an "audition sketch" on a subject of your choice to RJ today with your name, phone number, email, grade and age. Blue Lake Art Director Carol Tice will invite five students to participate in the project. Students must be between 11 and 18 years old.

High School – Today, Keystones will go to 5:45 worship followed by youth group until 8:00 p.m. Norfolk Mission Trip training is March 7, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

MIDS meets each Wednesday in March from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Youth may stay for 2:42 dinner in the Social Hall. Youth Choir meets from 7:00 to 7:45. Come for some, come for all.

Do you need gift cards to Borders, Land's End, iTunes, Main Street Restaurants, or Whole Foods? Youth Mission has them for you at face value. Call RJ at 662-4466, ext. 20.

CHILDREN'S LENTEN MISSION PROJECT: Each year, during the Lent season, the children of our congregation participate in a "giving" project. This year they will join with the entire congregation in contributing to our annual gift to One Great Hour of Sharing. On Sunday, March 14, the children will receive a "fish" bank in their Sunday School classroom and a Sharing Calendar with suggestions for coins they might put in their banks during Lent. The Sunday School classes will also follow the "sheep path" on the 400 level to discover ways that they can take up Jesus' commandment "Do you love me? Feed my sheep" (John 21:15-17). On Palm Sunday, March 28, the children should return their coin-filled fish banks to their Sunday School classroom. Their gifts will then be forwarded on to One Great Hour of Sharing.

STEPHEN MINISTRY CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASS: The Stephen Ministry would like to invite the congregation to a continuing education class on Monday, March 8, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. (**note time change**), in the Youth Room. The session topic is "Understanding and Helping Families Cope with Reproductive Loss," presented by Irving Leon, MD.

MOTHERS' MORNING SHARES THEIR FAVORITE THINGS on Tuesday, March 9, in the Youth Room (100 level). Mothers will break into small groups to answer questions about favorite things, and then share with the whole group. No preparation necessary, just show up! Not already a member? Attend on a per-meeting basis for just \$2 per meeting. The day begins with check-in for children and moms and breakfast treats at 9:00 a.m., followed by the program from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Child care is provided.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN UPDATE:

The Horizons Circle will meet Tuesday, March 9, at 1:00 p.m., at the home of Anna Marie Austin, 703 W. Davis, for dessert and a program.

The PW Reading Group will meet Wednesday, March 10, at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Meredyth Jones, 4642 Mulberry Woods Circle. Jenny Lombard will lead a discussion of book six of E. M. Bounds' book on prayer. Need directions? Call Meredyth Jones at 668-2418.

HILLTOPPERS HEARS ABOUT HISTORY AND FUTURE OF DIABETES:

On March 11, Dr. Meng Tan, Clinical Professor of Medicine at the UM, will give a presentation to Hilltoppers, our group for seniors 60 and up, on diabetes. The title of her talk is "Too Sweet – Stories of Diabetes, Past, Present, and Future." Meet at noon in the Social Hall for a hot lunch (\$5) and the program. Please call the church office to reserve your space for lunch by Tuesday, March 9, at 5:00 p.m.

PLANNING AHEAD: ALPHA HOUSE TASK FORCE NEEDS HELP!

The next week for First Presbyterian to provide hosting at Alpha House (a family shelter on Jackson Road) is April 5-11, the week of local area schools' Spring Break. Unfortunately, our church's Alpha House coordinators will be out of town that week. The volunteer coordinator at Alpha House has

offered to help in any way she can, but we need one or more persons from First Pres to be the liaison(s) between Alpha House and our volunteers during that week. If you are or might be willing to help fill this role, please email Nancy Vander Kuyl at nanspan@gmail.com.

THE 2010 WOMEN'S RETREAT: *Turning into the Noise. . . Tuning into God.* Join us April 17 and 18 for a time of retreat with opportunities for free time, good food, great conversation, spiritual deepening, laughter, singing, and even quiet! We'll spend these 24 hours together at the Weber Center (where we have both single and double rooms reserved) in Adrian, Michigan. The retreat will be led by four clergywomen - Jenny McDevitt and Sarah Wiles, ministers in residence, Melissa Anne Rogers, and special guest leader and speaker, Susan Systma Bratt, a former volunteer at our own congregation who is now a Lilly Minister-in-Residence at Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church in Pennsylvania. All women of the church are welcome. A registration brochure is being mailed to all women of our church.

FIRST PRES INTERGENERATIONAL MISSION PROJECT 2010: Be a part of First Presbyterian's intergenerational mission project in Detroit, April 23 to 25. Work projects will be varied and suited for all ages and all skill levels. We will be working with Cass Community Social Services, which has a number of facilities located in mid-town Detroit. CCSS provides services to the needy, the homeless and the disadvantaged populations of Detroit. We will be staying at the Cass Community Social Services Activity Center, although alternative lodging is available. See more details in the flyer at the Welcome Center. If you are interested, please email detroitmission@firstpresbyterian.org or, if you are unable to access email, please contact Sue Jeffers, 734-669-6306.

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 the group at any time.

Calendar for March 1-6

MONDAY:

Body and Soul, 9:30 a.m., Curtis Room
Lenten Study, 11:00 a.m., Lewis Room
Liturgical Dance Rehearsal, noon, Monteith Hall
Mature Ministries Steering Committee, noon, Vance and Lewis Rooms
Mission Committee, 6:00 p.m., Founders Room
YEMC, 6:30 p.m., French Room/Library
Campus Core Group, 7:00 p.m., Youth Room
Nominating Committee, 7:00 p.m., Room 101
Property Committee, 7:00 p.m., Vance Room
Women's Evening Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., Curtis Room
Sanctus Ringers, 7:30 p.m., Room 403

TUESDAY:

Prayer Group, 7:30 a.m., Founders Room
Bible Support Group, 10:00 a.m., Vance Room
Lenten Study, 10:00 a.m., Common Cup
Lenten Study, 10:00 a.m., Glacier Hills
Detroit Mission Planning, noon, Founders Room
English as a Second Language, 1:00 p.m., Youth Room, Rooms 101, 102, 104
Lenten Study, 1:00 p.m., Founders Room
Haiti Medical Mission Task Force, 5:30 p.m., Curtis Room
Self-Study Group, 7:00 p.m. French Room
Campus Ministry Mid-Week Worship, 9:00 p.m., UM Union, Anderson Room

WEDNESDAY:

Wednesday Night Meal, 3:00-7:15 p.m. (volunteers), 5:00 p.m. (greeting card program), 5:30 (meal), Delonis Center
 Campus Core Group, 5:30 p.m., Room 101

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, Adult Education Class,
 Lenten Study, New Members Class

Executive Deacons, 7:00 p.m., Founders Room
 TnT, 7:15 p.m., Vance Room

THURSDAY:

Lenten Study, 7:45 a.m., Vance Room
 OSHER Class: Big Bang and the History of Nearly Everything, 1:00 p.m.,
 away
 Adapted Exercise, 3:00 p.m., Curtis/Founders Room
 Lenten Study, 6:00 p.m., Monteith Hall
 Abide, 7:00 p.m., Founders Room
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Monteith Hall/Choir Room/Nave

FRIDAY:

Prayer/Study Group, 9:00 a.m., away
 OSHER Class: Survey of Musical Comedy, 10:00 a.m., Lewis Room
 Men's Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Founders Room

SATURDAY:

Christian Meditation, 8:00 a.m., Monteith Hall
 Self-Study Group, 9:00 a.m., Lewis Room
 Communion Set Up, 9:00 a.m., Founders Room
 Pazapa Board Meeting, 9:00 a.m., French Room/Library



**A Stephen Ministry
 Congregation**

The Staff of First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor can be reached by calling the Church Office at (734) 662-4466.

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