

The First Presbyterian Church  
Ann Arbor, Michigan  
March 13, 2011  
First 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](http://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, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**GATHERING**

(9:30/11:00) VOLUNTARY Pavane

*Paul Drayton*

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MINISTRY Pastor Nominating Committee Update

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Make us to know your ways, O Lord, teach us your paths.

**All: Lead us in your truth and teach us,  
for you are the God of our salvation.**

One: Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love.

**All: Instruct us in the way of repentance  
and lead us to humble obedience to your law of love.**

One: Praise the Lord!

**All: The Lord's name be praised!**

**\*HYMN 476 O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!** *Lyons*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

In these days of Lent, O Lord, we know you call us to journey with Jesus to the cross. But we are frightened disciples who fear death and often do not trust you to be with us in the midst of our suffering. We labor for security at all costs, thinking we can protect ourselves from pain. We look quickly to our own well-being while so many dwell in peril. We are tempted to believe you are with us only when our lives go well. Have mercy upon us and forgive us our disbelief and disobedience. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**KYRIE**

(8:00) #572 in the Hymnal Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us  
*Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.  
Lord, have mercy upon us.*

(9:30/11:00) 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*

**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.

(8:00) \*GLORIA PATRI

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) \*GLORIA

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning,  
is now, and . . . . . ev-er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## PROCLAIMING

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

#### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 32:1-7

**ANTHEM** Call to Remembrance, O Lord *Richard Farrant*  
*Call to remembrance, O Lord, Thy tender mercy and Thy loving kindness, which have been ever of old. O remember not the sins and offenses of my youth, but according to Thy mercy think Thou on me, O Lord, for Thy goodness.*

#### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 4:1-11

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 *Erhalt Uns, Herr*

**SERMON** (8:00) Easy Street  
(9:30/11:00) No Small Matter

## 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.)*

### 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

**ANTHEM** Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake *Richard Farrant*  
*Lord, for Thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that which is past, and give us the grace to amend our sinful lives; to decline from sins and incline to virtue, that we may walk with an upright heart before thee this day and evermore. Amen.*

### \*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

(8:00) THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION *See Communion Liturgy Card*

## 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 81** Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days *St. Flavian*

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**One:** Let us go forward,

**All:** **trusting God.**

(9:30/11:00) CHORAL RESPONSE Amen *Richard Farrant*

(9:30/11:00) VOLUNTARY O Lamb of God *Ludwig Lenel*

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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 8:00 a.m. is the Reverend Jim Monnett. The preacher at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. is the Reverend Lawrence W. Farris. Leading worship at 5:45 p.m. are the Reverends Brewster H. Gere and Jim Monnett, and Deborah MacVey, Director of Children's Education and Family Ministries.

**PARTICIPATING** in the worship services are the Reverend Jenny McDevitt at 8:00 a.m., the Reverends Jenny McDevitt, Melissa Anne Rogers and Sarah Wiles at 9:30 a.m., and the Reverends Matthew Nickel and Sarah Wiles at 11:00 a.m.

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

**THE CHANCEL CHOIR GUEST CONDUCTOR** is Gerald Leckrone.

**THE ORGANIST** is Carol Muehlig.

**THE READERS** are Kay Erdman at 8:00 a.m., Fred Beutler at 9:30 a.m., and Cynthia Wilbanks at 11:00 a.m.

**THE GREETERS** are Aaron and Lisa Sprague and Robyn Robeson at 9:30 a.m., and John and Heidi Dodson and Susan Kay Smith at 11:00 a.m.

**THE PRAYER TEAM MEMBERS** are Tom Brandt, Mary Kay Gray and Karen Barks. **"The little estimate we put on prayer is evidence from the little time we give to it." E. M. Bounds.**

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** are given in loving memory of Elizabeth Lyzenga Waterman, who died March 10, 2009, by her parents Ann and

David Lyzenga.

**The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan is called to meet following the 11:00 a.m. service of worship on Sunday, March 20, 2011 to hear the report of its Pastor Nominating Committee.**

*Diana Gardner, Clerk*

**Note: There will be no 8:00 a.m. worship service next Sunday, March 20.**

**WE WELCOME A CANDIDATE FOR HEAD PASTOR** to our pulpit, next Sunday, March 20. Due to the congregational meeting and reception, some logistical changes will be in place. There will be no 8:00 a.m. worship service on March 20. In addition, coffee hour will take place in Monteith Hall after the 9:30 p.m. worship service for those who wish to socialize before the congregational meeting.

Following the congregational meeting, a finger-food reception will be held in the Social Hall for members of the congregation to meet the candidate for Pastor, Head of Staff

## *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.

**TODAY AT THE 5:45 ...** worship is a whole family of God service.

**CHURCH SCHOOL** meets today at 9:30 a.m. for crib-12th grade and at 11:00 a.m. for crib-5th grade.

### **ADULT EDUCATION**

**Classes At 9:30 a.m.:**

**In the Basic Bible Class**, Ed Koster continues his comprehensive study of the Bible. The class, which meets in the French Room / Library, is continuing an in-depth discussion of the book of Jeremiah.

**First Couples** meets in Monteith Hall and will view the DVD *God in America*.

**Classes At 11:00 a.m.:**

**Waldemar Schmeichel** continues his series on "The Practices of Lent" in the Lewis Room.

**Mature Singles** will join Dr. Waldemar Schmeichel's class in the Lewis Room.

**A Sunday Student Study** for college students is held at 10:50 a.m., in the Youth Room.

**JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR** following the 9:30 a.m. service.

**Today, Coffee hour is sponsored by the Deacons of Quad A and B.** Come enjoy some treats and look for your deacon. Not sure who your deacon is? We'll have balloons and a map to help. Dots will be placed on the map to see how many folks each chapel gets. Stay tuned to see who wins!

Child-friendly, peanut-free purchased snacks are available for children. Thanks to cookie bakers Molly Dobson, Jim Rogers and Pam Wood,

who provided the delicious cookies for coffee hour today!

**EVENT SIGN UPS:** *See the announcement page for more info.*

- Sign up today at coffee hour for **Saturday Suppers** on March 26.
- Sign up for the **Lenten Bible Study** and buy a book (\$15) at coffee hour.
- Make your lunch reservation **today** for the Presbyterian Women Gathering on Wednesday, March 16, by signing up in the Church Office or contacting your circle leader.

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

**"COMING UP AT FIRST PRES,"** our church announcements **handout**, is available for pick up in the narthex, at the Welcome Center, and outside the Church Office. One copy is available for each family. Please note that announcements are also available online at [www.firstpresbyterian.org](http://www.firstpresbyterian.org).

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF FIRST PRES?** The next New Member Class will be held March 16 and 23, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. (Wednesday 2:42), in Monteith Hall. Contact Rev. Jenny McDevitt, 662-4466, ext. 354, or [jmcdevitt@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:jmcdevitt@firstpresbyterian.org), for more information.

*The Staff of First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor  
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*A Stephen Ministry  
Congregation*