

## TODAY'S EVENTS

**Family Worship** is at 8:00 a.m. and 5:05 p.m. in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

**Coffee Time after 8:00 a.m. worship:** Stay for a brief time of fellowship after the 8:00 a.m. service in the Monteith vestibule and hallway. Meet old friends and greet new ones!

**Childcare and Church School** will be held for crib through kindergarteners at 9:30 a.m. Childcare will be available for crib through five-year-olds at 11:00 a.m.

### Adult Education Classes:

**"The Bible at 9:30"** continues in the French Room/Library. Ed Koster begins an in-depth look at the book of James. Everyone is welcome to attend!

**"Sunday Mornings at 11:00"** continues in Monteith Hall with the series "The Origins and Nature of Islam" presented by Dr. Waldemar Schmeichel.

**First Couples** gathers at 9:30 a.m., in Monteith Hall to compare *Heaven Is For Real* by Todd Burpor and *90 Minutes in Heaven* by Don Piper.

**Mature Singles** meets at 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall for the presentation "The Origins and Nature of Islam."

**Join us for Coffee Hour** immediately following the 9:30 a.m.

worship service. Child-friendly, peanut-free purchased snacks are available for children. Thanks to cookie bakers Kim Gernant, Diane Johnston and Nancy Pflasterer who provided the delicious cookies today!

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

### Three Wishes: Palestinian and Israeli Children Speak:

The Israel/Palestine Task Force hosts February's Third Sunday Potluck today at noon. Come to the Social Hall with a covered dish and hear the presentation of "Three Wishes: Palestinian and Israeli Children Speak." In 2002, author Deborah Ellis interviewed children who had lived through the complicated situation of living in a conflict-area (Israel/Palestine) and compiled their stories. Her book is a powerful way of personalizing an area of conflict in the world. Discussion and reflection will follow the presentation.

**Interested in becoming a member of First Pres?** The next New Member Class will be held April 29 and May 6, at 11:00 a.m. Contact Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers at 734-662-4466, ext. 390, or [mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org), for more information.



## Pilgrimage with First Pres: Your Journey Through Lent

**The Season of Lent** is a time of prayer, fasting and self-examination in preparation for the celebration of the resurrection of our Lord at Easter. It is a period of 40 days — like the flood of Genesis, Moses' sojourn at Mount Sinai, Elijah's journey to Mount Horeb, Jonah's call to Ninevah to repent, and Jesus' time of testing in the wilderness. It is a time to reflect deeply on discipleship.

### Ash Wednesday (February 22)



Lent begins with Ash Wednesday which is a day of mourning for our sin and the sin of all humanity before God. It is a recognition of our mortality save for the grace of God and a request that the Lord remember our creation and breathe new life into our burned-out, dusty lives once more. This is a service for the imposition of ashes and the remembrance of baptism based on the sermon's assurance that though we are dust, we are baptized dust, a claim of God's we cannot wash off, which makes all the difference.

#### Two Worship Services with Communion

5:00 p.m. - Family-friendly service in the Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. - An Ecumenical Taizé service in the Sanctuary

### Daily Lenten Worship:

In the spirit of the Iona community's daily worship service, all are welcome to join us from 7:45 to 8:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary chancel each weekday during Lent through April 6.

### All-Church Lenten Study:

We'll be reading *Passion for Pilgrimage: Notes for the Journey Home* by Alan Jones.

Read on your own, or even better, join a Lenten Study Group that will meet each week until Easter. Groups will be held :

- Sundays at 8:00 a.m., led by Rev. Evans McGowan
- Mondays at Noon, led by Rev. Dr. Brewster H. Gere
- Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at The Common Cup, led by Rev. Dr. Jim Monnett
- Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. at Glacier Hills, led by Rev. Mary Elizabeth Prentice-Hyers
- Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., led by Lois Colón
- Thursdays at 6:00 p.m., led by Kathy Wirstrom

Books will be available in the Church Office for \$21, or purchase them at Coffee Hour today!

### The Lenten Women's Retreat:

All women of the church are invited to experience "Pilgrims in Process: Our Journeys in Faith," held March 30-31 at the Weber Center in Adrian, Michigan. It will be led by the Rev.'s Lois Colon, Dr. Fairfax Fair, Melissa Anne Rogers, and Mary Elizabeth Prentice-Hyers. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center.

For more information about Lenten activities at First Pres,  
visit our website at [www.firstpresbyterian.org](http://www.firstpresbyterian.org)



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ANN ARBOR



## FEBRUARY 19, 2012 TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD FAMILY WORSHIP

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP  
8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

 Gathering 

(9:30/11:00) VOLUNTARY    Brandenburg Sinfonia  
J. S. Bach, arr. Merle J. Isaac  
The First Presbyterian Orchestra

### LIFE IN THE CHURCH

\*CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 50

One: The mighty one, God the Lord, speaks  
and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

All: **Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth.**

One: Our God comes and does not keep silent.

All: **The heavens declare God's righteousness. Let us worship God.**

\*HYMN 263    Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio



A STEPHEN MINISTRY  
CONGREGATION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, your majesty and power are great. We admit our unworthiness to be in your presence and our blindness to you. Your mercies are all around us; your providential care sustains us. Arrest our ignorance. Disrupt our disbelief. Open us to your brilliance so that our lives may be transformed and our wills aligned with yours. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, one with us, one for us.

## SILENT CONFESSION

### KYRIE #572 in the Hymnal

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

## 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 PATRI #579 in 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 FOR ILLUMINATION

### GOSPEL READING Mark 9:2-9

One: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### ANTHEM With Christ Transfigured

Robert E. Kreutz,  
text, Omer Westendorf

In faith we come to Tabor's height and see what Christ's apostles saw: the Son of God in dazzling white. We too are overcome with awe. How good it is to be here now with Christ transfigured, bathed in light. Behold the glory, human eyes. How privileged to see, to see this sight!  
(Matthew 17:1-9)

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### (9:30/11:00) A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*Children through grade five are invited forward to meet with one of the pastors.*

### EPISTLE READING II Corinthians 4:3-6

### SERMON (9:30/11:00) The Light of the Gospel

## Responding

### \*HYMN 75 O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

Deo Gracias

(8:00) INSTALLATION OF SUE RIGTERINK AS DEACON

## WELCOME

## OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life Harold W. Friedell,  
text, George Herbert

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life! Such a Way as gives us breath, such a Truth as ends all strife, such a Life that killeth Death. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength! Such a Light as shows a feast, such a Feast as mends in length, such a Strength as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart! Such a Joy as none can move, such a Love as none can part, such a Heart as joys in love.

### \*DOXOLOGY #592 in Hymnal

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, 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 73 Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Geneva

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

One: We are a community,

All: gathered in faith.

One: Hearing God's call,

All: we share God's grace.

\*(9:30/11:00) CHORAL RESPONSE Send Us Now Away John Ness Beck  
Send us now away from Thy house, O Lord, refreshed, renewed with Thy blessings of this day; Keep the word of truth in our hearts restored; may we not forget Thee on our homeward way. Amen.

\*(9:30/11:00) VOLUNTARY Basse-Danse, from *Capriol Suite* Peter Warlock  
The First Presbyterian Orchestra



**Welcome to all**, especially visitors and newcomers to the Ann Arbor area. Please sign the Friendship Book in each pew near the center aisle and pass it to others sitting nearby as the offertory music is played. 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**.

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



**The preacher** at 8:00 a.m. and The Community at 5:05 p.m. is The Reverend David Prentice-Hyers. The preacher at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. is The Reverend Dr. Fairfax F. Fair.

**Participating** in the services are The Reverend Mary Elizabeth Prentice-Hyers at 8:00 a.m., The Reverend Evans McGowan, The Reverend Brennan Pearson and The Reverend Mary Elizabeth Prentice-Hyers at 9:30 a.m., and The Reverend Evans McGowan and The Reverend David Prentice-Hyers at 11:00 a.m.

**The pianist** at 8:00 a.m. is Keilor Kastella.

**The organist** at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. is Carol Muehlig.

**The Chancel Choir conductor** is Gerald Leckrone.

**The Presbyterian Orchestra conductor** is Gerald Leckrone.

**The String Quartet** includes Marolin Bellefleur, Robin Fosheim, Susan Morrison and Linda Speck.

**The liturgical dancers** are Nancy Heers, Sally Pesetsky and Judy Wensel.

**The readers** are Ruth Barnard at 8:00 a.m., Nicole France at 9:30 a.m., and Sharon Rothwell at 11:00 a.m.

**The greeters** are Bob and Carolyn Harris and Carl Binder at 9:30 a.m., and Bill and Susan Chandler and Jill Binkley at 11:00 a.m.

**The Prayer Team members** are Jane Hayes, Paul Kirton and Dana Underwood "Prayer is where the action is." - John Wesley

**The Chancel Flowers**, given by Molly Dobson, are in loving memory of her parents, Laurin and Delia Hunter.

**The Pink Rosebud** welcomes Olivia Anna Whitehead, born January 3, 2012, daughter of Lisa Ann and David Whitehead and granddaughter of Barbara Ladewski.

**The White Rose** is given in memory of Ann Spendlove who died February 10, 2012.