# FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 10, 2022 • 9:30 a.m.





Good Samaritan Gerard Bruning Please join in reading and singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

\* When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession are adapted from work by Thom Shuman.

# GATHERING

## HYMN SING

WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

## FAITH IN ACTION

Refugee Resettlement

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

We come, bringing our souls to God. God delights in us, just as God has found wonder in every generation. We come, bringing our hands to Jesus. Jesus challenges us to see each person as the neighbor we are to serve. We come, bringing our hearts to the Spirit. The Spirit teaches all we need to know so that we may be faithful in our lives.

\* HYMN 63

### The Lord Is God

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God-who-sees, there are people we pass by on our way, they may not be lying by the road, or beaten down, but whether we see them or not, we pass them by. Some are our loved ones, friends and family abandoned by our love. Others are neighbors fallen into despair, by poverty and other systemic systems that work to keep them there. Many are strangers, judged by our prejudice.

Forgive us for not seeing them or ignoring them, rescue us from the power of such sin.

God-who-redeems, pour out your justice on us, rather than your judgment; move us with compassion that leads to action; help us hear and share your hope with all whom we encounter...

## SILENT PRAYER

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

AZMON

**KYRIE** 



This is Hymn 576 Lord, Have Mercy (SINGAPURA).

#### \* PASSING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to share signs with one another of the peace we experience as God's people. Greet one another saying, "The peace of Christ be with you," and respond, "And also with you."

## \* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE



# **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 82

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

## A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 10:25–37

The grass withers, the flower fades; **The word of the Lord endures forever.**  This week's Growing in God's Love Bible story, The Good Neighbor, is found on page 212.

## SERMON

# RESPONDING

\* HYMN 771

What Is the World Like

NEW WORLD

## **OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS**

Offertory The Good Samaritan John Horman Duet: Benton Degroot and Dave VanderMeer; Brent Ivey, Narrator There was once a man who was going down from Jerusalem to Jerico. Robbers attacked him, stripped him and beat him, leaving him half dead. It happened that a priest was going down that very same road. When he saw the man lying there in need, he walked on by, leaving the man half dead. And in the same way a Levite came by that very same day, And he looked at the man lying there in need and walked away, leaving the man half dead. A Samaritan who was walking came upon the man. And he stopped to offer aid and his heart was filled with pity and he cared, For his soul was filled with love. And he cared, for his soul was filled with love.

OLD HUNDREDTH



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Use these offertory

moments to savor your gratitude for the

abundance of God's

loving service.

Ways to give:

click here:

love — and to consider your own response in

> 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.

## 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; and 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 (next page) When Asked, Who Is My Neighbor?

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\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## \* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

In the name of Jesus — Let us Love ... with Open Hearts! Let us Learn...with Open Minds! Let us Serve...with Open Arms!

Please be seated for the Closing Voluntary.

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** 

Rigaudon

André Campra

\* Doxology

\* Prayer of Dedication



# WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We are glad you are here! Please sign our Friendship Pad. If you are a guest with us today, we encourage you to wear a rose window button that you can find just outside the Sanctuary (or Monteith Hall) in a basket. Wearing this helps us know that you are new among us so that we can reach out to you with a fuller welcome. If you are worshiping with us via YouTube, Facebook, or radio, <u>click here</u> to sign the pad.

## The 9:30 worship service is broadcast on WAAM 1600 radio at 11:00 a.m.

**Worship Leaders:** Welcome – Megan Berry; Liturgists – Megan Berry and Jay Sanderford; Scripture Reader – Carol Smith; Children's Message – Beca Torres-Davenport; Preacher – Mark Mares; Musicians – Soloists – Benton DeGroot and Dave VanderMeer; Organist – David Hufford; Conductor – Dave VanderMeer; Ushers – Joe Schmidt (captain), Marolin Bellefleur, and Barb Dobson

**Chancel flowers** are given in loving memory of Thomas H. Dooley by Carol Dooley; and in loving memory of Mark Harlen by Paula Doering.

A yellow rosebud celebrates the birth of Zoe Inez Bernstein on June 29, 2022. Zoe is the daughter of Jenny and Ben Bernstein.

**The prayer team** is available for those desiring prayer in Hillegonds Chapel after the 9:30 service. "Prayer lays hold of God's plan and becomes the link between his will and its accomplishment on earth. Amazing things happen, and we are given the privilege of being the channels of the Holy Spirit's prayer." – Elisabeth Elliot

Join us for Coffee Hour today on the Circle Terrace immediately following the Closing Voluntary.

**Fast-Track this Summer!** Fast-Track to Membership by joining with a pastor and two elders in the office of Rev. David Prentice-Hyers at 11 a.m. on select Sundays. There are fast-track opportunities on July 10 (**TODAY**) and 24, and August 7 and 21. The process takes about half an hour as we get to know you, and you get to know us! Following the joining, there will be a new member class for you to attend to complete the process (date to be determined). You don't need to register ahead of time. We'll be there and ready to receive you if the Holy Spirit leads you to join on one of those Sundays! Speak to a Pastor or call the Church Office with questions! Come on in and join the First Pres party!

**The adult faith formation work group** is looking for your input to inform our planning for the fall and beyond. Whether you have been involved in the past or not, we'd love to hear your opinions! Fill out the survey here: <u>https://firstpresbyterian.wufoo.com/forms/w12n5nt51mfhbm0/</u>.

**For information about children's ministry,** contact Beca Torres-Davenport, Coordinator of Children's and Family Ministries at <u>btorres-davenport@firstpresbyterian.org</u>.

For information about youth ministry, contact Rev. Mark Mares, Associate Pastor of Youth and Family Ministries, at <u>mmares@firstpresbyterian.org</u>.

When a friend, loved one, or colleague passes away, we remember them in unique ways — it's how we process our grief. Whether it is doing something they loved, going to a favorite place of theirs, or cherishing something they owned, we find ways to lean into the unexpressed love we have for them. This summer, our First Pres staff will endeavor to wear fun sneakers in honor of Rev. Matthew J. Warfield. Pastor Matthew J. was an avid sneaker head and even wore sparkly shoes during his ordination service. Join us and wear your favorite sneakers to worship this summer!

**Our July donations and financial contributions support Hope Clinic.** Non-perishable food may be placed in the baskets provided in the Welcome Center on Sundays, Mondays–Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Fridays, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Financial gifts may be made by check or online. Donations will be coordinated by Mature Ministries.

**Did you know we have a Lost and Found at First Pres?** If you think you might have lost an item at church, please stop by the Welcome Center during the month of July. The first week in August items not claimed that have been with us for at least three months will be discarded appropriately.

**Refugee Resettlement Update.** In mid-June the First Pres refugee resettlement team welcomed a family of four from Afghanistan, who will move into their permanent residence in the area this week. Join us in prayer and warm-hearted welcome for this family. First Pres will be in relationship with them for one year through the co-sponsorship program coordinated by Jewish Family Services of Washtenaw County. For more information, or to support the effort further, contact Rev. Lundberg (<u>hlundberg@firstpresbyterian.org</u>).

**Pilgrimage to Iceland!** Rev. Rogers will be leading an 8-day pilgrimage to Iceland, August 1–10, 2023. This pilgrimage involves hiking as well as walking the famous Laugavegur Trail with an experienced guide and is more strenuous that past pilgrimages. Contact Rev. Rogers to express interest. Learn more about the trail here: <u>https://57hours.com/premium-adventures/hiking-laugavegur-trail-iceland/</u>. The pilgrimage starts and ends in Reykjavík. The sign-up genius will open July 11, at 8:30 a.m., with deposit due at that time. Women and men are welcome until all 15 slots are full.

**The Annual Giving Workgroup has been working for the last several months on the 2023 Annual Giving Campaign to be kicked off in September.** This Campaign will provide the critical support needed to continue and enhance the many and varied opportunities at FPC - among the long list are a vibrant and dedicated staff, a great music program, rich mission and outreach opportunities, transformative Christian education, and maintenance of our beautiful building and physical spaces.

In an effort to keep the pledging process as simple as possible and to keep mailing costs at a minimum, we will be offering each member the opportunity to receive their 2023 pledge packet by email. You may elect email delivery by (1) mailing the postcard included with your July quarterly statement or dropping the card into the Sunday offering plate or (2) emailing Anna Miller indicating your preference to receive the pledge packet electronically.

Thank you for all that you do to support FPC. Your contributions of your finances, time, and talents are crucial to the ongoing life and ministry of our beloved community of faith! If you have any questions, please contact Anna Miller by email or at (734) 662-4466.

#### **Pastoral & Program Staff**

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## emerge:

Out of the burning bush, God staggers Moses with cagey answers to terrifying questions. "I am who I am" is the famous reply. Other translations include "I will be who I will be" or the even more cryptic "I am becoming who I am becoming." The eternity of God does not preclude the dynamic unfolding of God. Entering this new season of life at FPCA2, what will the unfolding spirit of God reveal to you? Who will we become? How are we embraced by the constant unfolding grace within and around us? How are we being addressed by that call to a deeper discipleship to Christ and one another? What new flames will emerge as we exit this dry and bitter season?

