



"A House Built on a Rock" by Peter Koenig

## THIRD SUNDAY after PENTECOST

June 9, 2024 • 9:30 AM

\* Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol, and join in singing or reading aloud text in **bold.** 

#### GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY Andante

Adam Unsworth, Horn

C. Saint-Saëns

POURING of the WATER

WELCOME and LIFE IN THE CHURCH

\* CALL to WORSHIP

Wait for the Lord.

God is full of love

and assures us of forgiveness and transformation.

Wait for the Lord.

Do not lose hope,

for God has come to save and heal.

\* HYMN 307 God of Grace and God of Glory

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CALL to CONFESSION

#### PRAYER of CONFESSION

God of grace, you create us in love

and supply all our needs.

You claim us as your own in the waters of baptism.

You feed us at your own table and bind us into one body.

When we turn from you,

You wait with arms wide open.

When we deny your image in another or in ourselves

You mirror to us a deeper wholeness

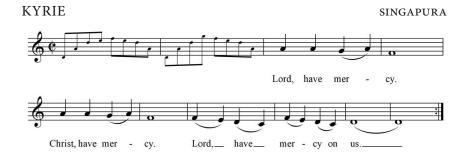
You call us act out of love and not fear.

Help us to see more clearly,

discern more faithfully, love more fully

For you wait for us with arms wide open....

SILENT PRAYER



Charles-Camille
Saint-Saëns
(1835 – 1921) was
a prolific French
composer
whose works
spanned various
genres, from
symphonies
and operas to
chamber music,
and who is
known for his
opera "Samson
et Dalila."

#### ASSURANCE of FORGIVENESS

#### 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

NETTLETON

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

PROCLAIMING the WORD

PRAYER for ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A CONVERSATION with YOUNG DISCIPLES

Please join in singing as the children come forward.

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 3:20-35

The grass withers, the flower fades;

The word of the Lord endures forever.

**SERMON** 

RESPONDING and SEALING

\* HYMN 729

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

OFFERING of TITHES and GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Bright Mansions

K. Lee Scott

Chancel Choir

In bright mansions above, Lord I want to live up yonder In bright mansions above.

My father's gone to glory; I want to go there too.

Lord, I want to live up yonder in bright mansions above.

My mother's gone to glory; I want to go there too.

Elementary and Youth Faith Formation classes have concluded for the 2023-24 program year. Children are invited to remain in worship. Children's Bibles may be found in the pew and children's resources can be found in the narthex.

Ways to give: Cash/Check Place in the offering plate or in the mail

Text-to-Give Text the amount you would like to give to 855-904-1523

Online <u>firstpresbyterian/</u> contribute

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Lord, I want to live up yonder in bright mansions above. In bright mansions above, Lord I want to live up yonder In bright mansions above.

#### \* DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

\* 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; 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 376

When All Is Ended

YOGANANDA

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

\* CHARGE and BENEDICTION

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY** 

Fanfare

John Cook

**EVACUATION DRILL** 

Please await instructions from our Safety Team.

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The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Lewis and Maxine Profit by Kirk Profit

(1918 - 1984)worked with Vaughan Williams and Britten on film scores and wrote son et lumière music for the 1951 Festival of Britain. It is from one of those scores that Fanfare was transcribed for organ by the composer. The poetry which inspired the piece is from Psalm 81.

A musician of wide interests

and experience, John Cook

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#### WELCOME

#### Welcome to First. We Are Glad You Are Here!

#### New to First Pres?

We are so thankful that you have joined us today for worship. We would love to get to know you and help you get to know us. **Please sign the Friendship Pad.** The pads are located at the end of each pew. Sign it then pass it down to others.

#### Prayer

If you have a prayer requests, please write down your request on the Pew Pad. Our Prayer Group meets Tuesday mornings from 9 - 9:30 a.m. on Zoom. This team supports our community through prayer, lifts up the needs and praises of our members, and seeks God's guidance and blessing in all that we do.

#### Childcare

Childcare is available for ages 5 and younger on the First Level, 9:15 to 11:00 am. Children are always welcome to stay with their families during worship. Children's Bibles may be found in the pew and children's resources can be found in the narthex.

### Congratulations, Graduates

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to the members of the graduating Class of 2024! As they embark on new beginnings, we take this moment to honor their achievements and celebrate their bright futures. Let's surround our graduates with love, encouragement, and prayers as they continue their journey beyond these walls. Congratulations to the Class of 2024!

#### HIGH SCHOOL

Nicholas Detwyler, Skyline High School
Leah Eddins, Commiunity High School
Claire Gehrke, Washtenaw International High School
Joshua Gernant, Huron High School
Sadie Kuperstein, Caldera HighSchool
Joey Madigan, Arlington Technical School
Benjamin Maki, Hudsonville High School
Tate Rowney, Bay School San Francisco
Jensen Wood, Pioneer High School

#### **COLLEGE**

Avery Dorsch, Purdue University, Bachelor of Science in Engineering
Will Ellsworth, Claremont McKenna College, Bachelor of Arts
David Endicott, Western Michigan University, Bachelor of Science
Nikki France, University of Michigan, Master of Science in Energy Systems Engineering
Leina Kaehr, University of Michigan, Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
Joseph Maki, Butler University, Bachelor of Science in Psychology
Shannon Miller, Iowa State University, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
Alexandra Montgomery, Ithaca College, Bachelor of Science
Kathryn Pollock, Michigan State University, Master of Arts in Educational Administration K-12
Braeden Potter, Ohio University, Bachelor of Business Administration

#### LEADING IN WORSHIP

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Rev. David Prentice-Hyers, *Lead Pastor* Rev. Mark Mares, *Associate Pastor* 

Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers, Associate Pastor

Jackie Vercler, Lay Reader

Sandy Talbott and Carol Smith, Safety Team Members

#### **MUSICIANS**

Chancel Choir

David Hufford, Organist

David VanderMeer, Minister of Music & Fine Arts

#### **USHERS**

Dick Carlisle Nancy Fox Greta Krapohl Linda Lampman Len Rezmierski Joe Schmidt

Ginny Horan, Welcome Center

Today is the last day of the 2023-2024 Chancel Choir season for worship leadership. The Chancel Choir will be on summer recess until late August. If you are interested in singing with the choir, join us on Friday and Saturday, August 23 and 24, for the Annual Choir Retreat. Contact Dave VanderMeer for more information, *dvandermeer@fpca2.org* 

#### TODAY AT FIRST



#### **All-Church Picnic**

10:45 AM | Front Lawn

Slide into Summer at our annual all-church picnic featuring a barbecue lunch, inflatables for kids, and music by Y Town Hoolies Bluegrass Band. Please allow those who have registered to enter the food line first.

#### **New Member Class**

4:00 PM | Curtis Room

Join us for a 90-minute new member class! If you are considering joining, you can unite with our church family at the end of the class. Those who have "fast-tracked" but have not taken a class are expected. Child-care provided!

#### Youth Group End-of-Year Party

6:00 PM | Revel & Roll

Get ready to roll into summer with a bang at our Youth Group End-of-Year Bash! Join us for an evening of strikes, spares, and endless fun at Revel and Roll (1950 S Industrial Hwy).

#### Young Adult Game Night

6:00 PM | Vance Room

Join us for an evening of strategic moves, friendly competition, and endless laughter at our Young Adult Board Game Night! Snacks will be provided.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## CHURCHWIDE Chancel Flowers

There are openings for Chancel Flower donations in July and August. Cost is \$75. After worship on Sundays the flowers are rearranged into bouquets and taken by our Deacons to church members and friends who are celebrating a special occasion or experiencing illness or grief. Sign up online or by calling the church office and speaking with Pat Gilbreath.

# CHILDREN & YOUTH Nursery Volunteers

Our church nursery is calling for dedicated volunteers to join our team! We believe every child deserves a warm and a nurturing environment, and that's where you come in! To sign up or for more information, please contact Heather Polikoff, hpolikoff@firstpresbyterian.org.

#### **Family Mission Projects**

Our next Family Mission Project on July 13 will be in partnership with Alpha House. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to work side by side, making a positive impact. For more information, contact Heather Polikoff, hpolikoff@firstpresbyterian. org.

#### **Music & Fine Arts Summer Camp**

July 29 - August 2 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Are you ready for an unforgettable summer filled with music and fine arts? This year's camp will include guest artists, Jenny Hainen teaching African drumming, bells and chimes, and whimsical artist and creativity expert Joel Schoon-Tanis.

Ages: Rising 2nd - 9th grade

Cost: \$75 per camper (scholarships available)

Register: firstpresbyterian.org.

#### CONGREGATIONAL CARE

**CARE & COMPASSION SERIES** 

# How Grief Grows: Exploring Death and Loss Through Children's Literature

Monday, June 10 7:00 PM | McCallister home Speaker: Daphne Brydon, PhD, LMSW

Dr. Daphne Brydon will share how grief books for children can help adults with grieving. The one-hour presentation will be held at the home of Betsy McCallister. If you are interested in attending, contact Rev. Rogers, *mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org*.

#### MATURE MINISTRIES

**LUNCH & LEARN** 

#### Uncovering Our Lost Stories: African American Genealogy in Washtenaw County

Thursday, June 13 12:00 PM | Social Hall Speakers: Cheryl Garnett and Jean Winborn

Cheryl Garnett and Jean Winborn are founders of the Washtenaw County African-American Genealogical Society. They specialize in helping the descendants of slaves complete their life stories and have much to tell us about Ann Arbor's history. Lunch is \$12 per person.

#### First Pres Goes to the Dogs!

Tuesday, June 18 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

First Pres heads to Oakland County to visit Leader Dogs for the Blind and the Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm. A catered lunch will be provided and served at the farm. The cost is \$75 per person. Do you want to bring a child or grandchild over the age of 12? Sign them up too! Contact Rev. Rogers, mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org

#### MISSION

#### **School Supplies for Philippines**

June 28-29

9 AM - 4 PM | Elmwood Drive

Are you able to sort donated school supplies and help pack them in boxes for their journey to the Philippines? Mark you calendar for any time you can give 9 AM to 4 PM on Friday and/or Saturday, June 28-29, at the Rezmierski residence (1050 Elmwood Dr.)

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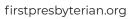
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