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

🌿 Gathering 🌿

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. Rogers (8:00/11:00)
Rev. Koenig-Reinke (9:30)

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God notices the people we walk past, and journeys with them.

All: God speaks out for the voiceless,

One: and opens our ears to their cries.

All: Jesus is the healer of the hopeless and friend of the outsider.

One: In him, the have-a-lots and the have-nothings sit side by side
at God's table,

All: passing grace to one another.

One: Those with good names and those with no names are called
"beloved."

All: Come, let us worship the God of welcome and generosity!

* HYMN 417 *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation* REGENT SQUARE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we often fall short of your call to love one another well. We allow ourselves to be blinded by wealth and power. We ignore those around us who suffer injustice, poverty, and rejection. We tune out the cries of the poor and those on the edges of our communities. Help us see your generosity and feel your great love for all who need your redemptive grace. Make us aware of those outside our own communities, that we may see them as your children and serve them in humility and joy. May we continue to grow in grace as we learn how to serve you in the name of the great Servant, Jesus Christ.

adapted from *The Abingdon Worship Annual*

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S 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

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

 Proclaiming 

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Kathy Hillig (8:00)
Jeanette Kibler (9:30)
Tom Venable (11:00)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Proverbs 11:24–25

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

ANTHEM *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

arr. Virgil Thomson

My Shepherd will supply my need,
Jehovah is his Name
In pastures fresh he makes me feed
Beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back
When I forsake his ways.
He leads me for his mercy's sake
In paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death,
Thy presence is my stay.
One word of thy supporting breath
Drives all my fears away,
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes,
Doth still my table spread.
My cup with blessings overflows,
Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God
Attend me all my days,
O may thy house be my abode
And all my work be praise.
There would I find a settled rest,
While others go and come,
No more a stranger or a guest,
But like a child at home.

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (9:30)

Children through grade five are invited forward.

Rev. Dr. Fair

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 16:19–31

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

SERMON

Rev. Parks-Piatt

 Responding 

* HYMN 425

Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining

ABBOT'S LEIGH

WELCOME

Rev. Rogers (9:30)

Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to others sitting nearby.

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

*** Doxology**

**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**

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (8:00)

See Communion 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; 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 426**

Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak

CANONBURY

*** CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord,
Until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word,
Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.**

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in **bold type**. **Hearing-assistance devices and large-print bulletins and hymnals** are available from the ushers.

Welcome to all! Please know that all, including visitors and newcomers, are invited to share in the life of the church. A full description of church events is online at www.firstpresbyterian.org. If you have questions, please visit the **Welcome Center**, just outside the Social Hall. Greeting you there today are Sandy Herbertson and Ginger Winter. **The Church Office** is staffed by Jane Bartman. **Greeters are** Peggy Jensen and Doug Gottliebson (9:30) and Linda

Lampman and George and Carole Hendrickson (11:00). **Sound system volunteer** is Bryan Magnuson (9:30). **Ushers** are Bill Austin (head) and Martin Reineman (8:00); Bill Austin (head), Olivier Jolliet (captain), Nicole Jolliet, Dean Gilchrist, You Li, and Ken Westfall (9:30); and Bill Austin (head), Carter Hodgson (captain), Peggy Hodgson, and Jim Douglass (11:00). **The prayer team** is available for those desiring prayer in Hillegonds Chapel after the 9:30 service and in the Welcome Center after the 11:00 service. Prayer team members are Annette Fraser and Judy Slade (9:30) and Linda Lampman and Diane Hockett (11:00). Following the 8:00 service a minister is available for prayer at the Communion Table. “The first purpose of prayer is to know God.” – Charles L. Allen

Musical leadership is provided by Jeannette Faber, organ, (9:30); Josh Marzan, piano (8:00/11:00); Simon Suboski, congregational singing leader (8:00/11:00); and Chancel Choir (9:30/11:00).

Chancel flowers are given in gratitude for our pastoral visitors – Rev. Eldon Beery, Rev. David Downton, Rev. Bill Findlay, Jeanette Kibler, Rev. Gary Oliver, and Rev. Kent Palmquist – who are especially helpful in summer with our hospital and rehab visits.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Worship is at 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. **Radio Worship is broadcast at 11:00 a.m.** on WAAM (1600 AM) and on the web (www.waamradio.com).

Join us for Coffee Hour immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Fresh fruit is provided by Nancy Fox. Cookies are provided by Nancy Oliver and Ginny Horan.

Children's Ministry Opportunities:

Childcare is available for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. **A combined Sunday School class** is offered for children, grades K–5, at 9:30 a.m.

Adult Education Opportunities:

ConnectEd is an opportunity to gather after worship and discuss the theme of that morning's service and the summer books, *Credo* and *The Book of Joy*. Discussion will focus on the day's scripture, books, sermon, or music. ConnectEd meets for open conversation from 10:45 – 11:30 a.m. in the French Room/Library. A skilled facilitator guides the discussion.

T2A2 Small Group meets at Chris Wahl's house at 7:00 p.m. to discuss *Galatians*. Bring your questions and insights, wherever you are on your faith journey! For more information about social, spiritual, and service opportunities for people in their 20s and 30s, contact Rev. Parks-Piatt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to our pastor, the Rev. Dr. Fair, on the 30th anniversary of her ordination as a Minister of Word and Sacrament! Dr. Fair was ordained on August 21, 1988.

All are invited to attend a special Adult Education class next Sunday, August 26, a lecture, "From Backdoor to Front Door: A history of degradation and the restoration of the Great Lakes," by First Pres member Jennifer Day. Jennifer serves as Great Lakes Regional Coordinator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Join us at 11:00 a.m. in the Social Hall. This class is open to all, and is being held in preparation for the Mature Ministries trip to the Dossin Museum on Belle Isle and the Grosse Point Yacht Club on August 30. For more information, contact Rev. Rogers.

Chancel Choir rehearses on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Monteith Hall. All are welcome. We would love to greet new choir members. Raise your voice in song with us. Contact Interim Director of Music Ministries Dr. Richard Ingram for more information.

Mature Singles meet this Friday, August 24, at Outback Steakhouse, 3173 Oak Valley Drive, at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome.

The Nicaragua Mission Team sincerely thanks everyone who so generously contributed to the fund supporting CEPAD, our longstanding mission partner, during this time of political and civil unrest. Together we not only matched but exceeded the pledge by the Mission Committee for a total of \$8,150. CEPAD has continued its programs and training in the rural communities it serves. Thank you also for your continued prayers for the return of peace and justice for our Nicaraguan sisters and brothers.

Our Campus Ministry, UKirk@UMich, is enjoying a summer break from regular activities. If you are a college or graduate student here this summer, please contact Revs. McGowan or Buckley at campus@firstpresbyterian.org. We would love to be in touch and invite you to special gatherings!

September 2 is Super Sundae Sunday! Join us for an ice cream social on the Circle Terrace following the 9:30 a.m. service. Create a super sundae with a choice of flavors and lots of toppings. There will be cookies and coffee, too, of course. Want to help with set up, serving, or clean up? Contact Lynne Lande (lynnelande@me.com). All are welcome!

Alpha House is recruiting volunteers to provide and serve dinner during the month of August. Please contact Kathy Koehler at Alpha House (822-0220) or Gail Einhaus, First Pres' Alpha House Coordinator (646-6093). Alpha House is a shelter that is part of the Interfaith Hospitality Network, whose mission is to provide temporary housing, food and support services for children and their parents in a caring atmosphere of dignity and safety. Alpha House also offers financial and job counseling, medical care, and tutoring.

Our fall ministry at Alpha House, a shelter for children and their families who are experiencing homelessness, will be the week of September 10–16. Please sign up to provide a meal, childcare, or overnight support by using the signup board at Coffee Hour or online. If you have questions, Gail Einhaus, Lucie Audette, Paula Doering, or Anne Gere can answer them. Alpha House is located at 4290 Jackson Road.

Our next 24-hour Silent Retreat at St. Augustine's House, Oxford, is the weekend of September 27–28. Cost is \$45, payable to First Pres two weeks before the retreat. Contact Rev. Annette Fraser (nnttfraser@gmail.com) for more information.

Mature Ministries Kick-off is Tuesday, September 11. Join us for a special lunch in between two great presentations by local authors and leaders! Sign up online or in the Church Office by September 6.

11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall: Featured Presentation Rev. Ken Wilson and Rev. Emily Swan, co-authors, *Solus Jesus!*

Lunch - Noon in the Social Hall (\$5)

12:45 p.m. Presentation in the Social Hall: Dr. Andy Hoffman, "Finding Purpose: Environmental Stewardship as a Personal Calling"

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