



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Ann Arbor | Michigan

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

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

🌿 Gathering 🌿

PRELUDE

There Is a Balm in Gilead (8:00) Adolphus Hailstork
Saraband and March (9:30/11:00) G. F. Handel
With Thankful Hearts (9:30/11:00) arr. Douglas E. Wagner

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. Rogers

FAITH IN ACTION

Director of Music Ministries Search Update
Anne Gere and Julia Pakela

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Koenig-Reinke (9:30)

One: From God comes the wonder of creation.

All: We will worship God the Creator.

One: From God comes healing for the brokenness we see.

All: We will worship God our Redeemer.

One: From God comes the strength to face the new day.

All: We worship God our Sustainer.

* HYMN 339

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

All: Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us!

One: So many days, we are like the ten lepers in Luke's gospel, sitting on the side of the road hoping to hear the sounds of your coming.

All: Have mercy upon us when we cannot see how we will make it,

One: Have mercy upon us when we are sick and cannot get well,

All: Have mercy upon us when life hardens our hearts and makes it difficult for us to love, to heal or to forgive,

One: Have mercy upon us when harassment comes and when we are misunderstood.

All: Jesus Christ, Master, we come this morning asking for strength to be whole again, and grace to represent you well. Jesus Christ, we come, seeking forgiveness, wholeness and gratitude.

One: We come to you today, like ten lepers who sat on the side of the road between Samaria and Galilee, knowing that you love us and have not forgotten our needs.

**All: Jesus Christ, have mercy upon us,
Forgive us and grant us your peace.**

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

**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.**

This is Hymn 579.

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nancy Fox (8:00)
Ruthie Ackenhusen (9:30)
Lynne Lande (11:00)

NEW TESTAMENT READING Luke 17:11–19

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

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (9:30)

Beca Torres-Davenport

OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Kings 5:1–3, 7–15c

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

SERMON

Rev. Koenig-Reinke (8:00)
Grace and Gratitude = Heaven and Earth Rev. Sanderford (9:30/11:00)

🌿 Responding 🌿

* HYMN

Healer of Our Every Ill HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL



Heal - er of our ev - ery ill, light of each to - mor - row,



give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.



- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your peace and
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is still un -
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - ery sis - ter, ev - ery
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your way of



glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.
fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.
broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.
heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

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WELCOME

Rev. Parks-Piatt (11:00)

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

Create in Me A Clean Heart

Jean Berger

Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a steadfast spirit within me;
When many cares perplex me,
Thy comfort delights my soul.
My times are in Thy hand,
And Thou wilt guide and sustain me
Even unto the end.

With Thee is the foundation of life;
In Thy light do we see light;
With Thee is the fountain of life;
In Thy light do we see light.

Create in me a clean heart, O God
And renew a steadfast spirit within me. Amen.

* **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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (9:30)

In keeping with the reverence of worship, photos may be taken after the service.

Kathleen Sienko and Kevin Pipe present their daughter, Elizabeth Carolyn Pipe, born April 9, 2018, for baptism.

*** Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving over the Water and Baptism

Hymn 498 *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

KINGDOM

Please sing Stanzas 1 and 2.

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 394**

There Is a Balm in Gilead

BALM IN GILEAD

*** CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

*** CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole.
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sinsick soul.**

*** POSTLUDE**

Air and Rondo

Henry Purcell

* 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 Nancy Rugani and Paula Doering. **The Church Office** is staffed by Sarah Krein. **Greeters** are David and Jane Schmidt (9:30) and Marilyn Gibson and Cathy and Steve McKenny (11:00). **Sound system volunteers** are Roland Kibler (9:30) and Roger Hsaio (11:00). **Ushers** are Bill Austin and Nancy Fox (8:00); Bill Austin (head), Len Rezmierski (captain), Joe Schmidt, Dean Gilchrist, Spaulding Clark, Jim Clark, Jim Cameron, Angela Yang, and Jesse Feyen (9:30); and Bill Austin (head), Carter Hodgson (captain), Peggy Hodgson, Barry and Jeanette Swartz, and Joe and Karen Cox (11:00). **The prayer team** is available for those desiring prayer in Hillegonds Chapel after the 9:30 and 11:00 services. Prayer team members are Marolin Bellefleur and Sue Dempsey (9:30) and Linda Lampman and Katie Parker (11:00). Following the 8:00 service a minister is available for prayer at the Communion Table. “We lie to God in prayer if we do not rely on God afterwards.” – Robert Leighton

Musical leadership includes Gayle Stevens, piano (8:00); and Orchestra, Sanctus Ringers, and Chancel Choir (9:30/11:00).

Chancel flowers are given by Kay Erdman in honor and loving memory of her parents, Ted and Blanche Stovall Erdman, and of her husband, Keith J. Horngren.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Worship is at 8:00 in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 and 11:00 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 in the Social Hall immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Child-friendly, peanut-free purchased snacks are available for children. **Cookie bakers** are Lynn Millward and Julie Rupp.

Children's Ministry Opportunities:

Childcare and Sunday School classes are held for crib through fifth graders at 9:30 a.m. **Childcare** is available for preschoolers at 11:00 a.m. Worship activity totes and Busy Hands activity baskets are available at the entrances to the Sanctuary for children attending worship at 11:00 a.m.

Children's Choir rehearses 10:30–10:55 a.m. in Room 300. Children's Choir will rehearse every Sunday when Sunday School is scheduled. There will be no rehearsals on Family Sundays.

Children, youth and families, please join us today at 11:00 a.m., in the Lewis Room for a “Meet and Greet” with our new Coordinator of Children's Ministry, Beca Torres-Davenport. Enjoy refreshments and take a moment to introduce yourself and welcome Beca.

Youth Ministry Opportunities:

All youth grades 6–12 are invited to join us for our scheduled youth programming. Everyone is welcome! Munch and Mingle begins at 9:20 a.m. in the Youth Room on the Lower Level. Sunday School and Confirmation classes meet at 9:30 a.m.

Youth Choir rehearses at 4:30 p.m. in the Choir Room on the third floor. **All-Youth Dinner** is at 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Room. **Youth Groups** meet at 6:00 p.m.

Adult Education Opportunities:

The Bible @ 9:30 meets in the French Room/Library. Rev. Ed Koster is the presenter. This year's theme is "The Bible Speaks to You about the Important Ideas." All are welcome for study and robust discussion.

First Friends meet in Monteith Hall at 9:30 a.m. First Friends is a self-directed adult group that offers a safe, supportive gathering to discuss religious and spiritual topics. In November the group explores Eboo Patel's book *Embracing Interfaith Cooperation*.

Exploring the Faith meets in the Curtis Room at 11:00 a.m. for "Reclaiming Jesus: Revisiting the Church-State Relationship." Presenter is Rev. Dr. Todd Cloffi, Associate Professor, Calvin College, and ordained PCUSA minister. This session will identify the rationale and core features of the Reclaiming Jesus statement within the history of church-state relations.

First Forum meets in the Curtis and Founders Rooms at 12:15 p.m. for further exploration of the Reclaiming Jesus statement, presented by Rev. Dr. Todd Cloffi. A light lunch is available for \$5. All are welcome to attend.

The Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration sponsored by the Interfaith Round Table of Washtenaw County is today, at 7:00 p.m., at Bethlehem United Church of Christ, 423 S. Fourth Street. All are welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Living God's Love - Stewardship Update: As of November 12, 322 pledges totaling \$1,058,575 have been received. This represents 62.3% of our \$1,700,000 goal. If you have not turned in your pledge yet, First Pres still needs your help as we begin planning the 2019 budget. Thank you for Living God's Love through the ministries of First Pres!

An Interim Pastor Search Committee is being formed. As we move forward as a congregation, we will select an Interim Pastor to guide us through a period during which we maintain our excellence and energy in all ministries and search for and select a new Pastor and Head of Staff for our church. The Session is seeking nominations for an Interim Pastor Search Committee to identify, recruit, and call an Interim Pastor. If you are interested or if you wish to nominate another member of the church, please submit the name of your nominee to the Church Office or by completing an online Interim Search Nomination form.

Mature Singles meet for dinner this Friday, November 23, at Panda House, 229 North Maple Road, at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Advent Happening is Saturday, December 1, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., in the Social Hall. We are still looking for volunteers to run tables. Please contact Beca Torres-Davenport (btorres-davenport@firstpresbyterian.org) to find out how you can help.

The Story Slam is Coming! Music and stories around the theme of Christmas will be shared on December 9, at 4:00 p.m., in the Sanctuary, with a Strolling Soirée to follow. We are looking for people who are willing to share a five minute story. You do not have to memorize it. If you enjoy “The Moth” or other kinds of story slam events, this is a chance to share meaningful stories with your church family. Contact Rev. Rogers, mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org, if you are interested. Limited spots remain.

Volunteer for the Annual Pancake Supper! First Pres will host our Annual Pancake Supper on Tuesday December 11. Volunteers will help with cooking, cleaning, promoting, and welcoming college students as we continue this important ministry event. If you are interested in volunteering, or would like more information, contact Rev. Koenig-Reinke.

Please contact the Church Office to:

- order a First Pres name tag (\$9 for either a magnetic or clip style)
- request a baptism
- inform us of any changes to your basic contact information
- let us know if you are hospitalized
- support our Fair Trade mission project by purchasing a bag of Fair Trade coffee for use at home (\$12)
- sign up to sponsor Chancel Flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one. Cost is \$50.
- apply for a security device (fob). Cost is \$10.

All are invited to join First Pres youth as they enjoy Christmas caroling at Glacier Hills on Sunday, December 23. Meet at Glacier Hills in the front lobby at 2:00 p.m. Contact Essie Koenig-Reinke, Youth Ministries Coordinator, or GJ Frye, Peer Minister for Youth Ministry, for more information.

Take a self-guided tour of the art and architecture of First Pres.

Through the years, First Pres has been fortunate to acquire many pieces of art which make the reception and meeting rooms, offices and corridors, and the grounds more attractive. Several pieces are of historic interest while others reflect our Christian beliefs and heritage. Most have been sculpted, painted, or otherwise created by First Pres members. A brochure is now available in both the Welcome Center and the Church Office which facilitates a self-guided tour. Enjoy!

College Students, UKirk@UMich, our undergraduate Campus Ministry, invites you to join us for any of our weekly, *FREE* events.

- The French Room (Library) is available from 10:30 a.m. to noon each Sunday for snacks and studying.
- Eat with us at our College Lunch on Sundays at noon (meet in the Welcome Center after the 11:00 a.m. service).
- Take a study break with the Coffee Crew on Monday afternoons, 1:00–5:00 p.m., in the League.
- Have faithful conversation at our Small Group on Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m., also in the League.
- Want to talk with just one or two of us? We would love to take you out to coffee or lunch and hear more about your life!

For more information, including information about our on-campus Yoga classes and our Spring Break trip to Puerto Rico, contact Revs. Buckley, Koenig-Reinke, and McGowan at campus@firstpresbyterian.org. Follow us on Instagram: @UKirkUMich.

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