

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 14, 2022 • 8:00 a.m.

Pastoral Care Notes

We celebrate the lives and grieve the deaths of our members who have recently joined the Church Triumphant, giving thanks for the words of Jesus, who said, "Blessed are those who die in the Lord."

† Bob Ellis died on August 11. No services are planned at this time.

† Rev. Bill Polkowski died on August 1. He was a Presbyterian minister, and was a member of the Presbytery of Detroit. A memorial service will be held in the Sanctuary on August 31, at 3 p.m.



A Mosaic of Hope Fall 2022 at First Pres

Join us for Kickoff Sunday, September 11!

- 8 a.m. Worship with Communion in Monteith Hall
A time of fellowship follows the service
- 9:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary
Service livestreamed on our YouTube page and Facebook
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- 10:45–11:15 a.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 11–11:50 a.m. Faith Formation for Youth and Adults, including
Exploring the Faith, First Friends, and The Bible @ 11 o'clock

The 9:30 Service is available via Dial-A-Podcast (734) 808-3099 beginning at 11 a.m., and available throughout the week.
- 6 p.m. Youth Group
- 7:00 p.m. T2A2 Twenties and Thirties Group
- 7:30 p.m. UKirk@Umich College Ministry



Old Woman Dancing
Ernst Barlach

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.

GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY *3 Visions: I. Dark Horsemen* William Grant Still

WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

FAITH IN ACTION Alpha House

* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Above us,
beneath us,
God our maker,

All: Help us be attentive to you.

One: Among us,
beside us,
Jesus, our friend.

All: Help us be attentive to each other.

One: Within us,
between us,
God's breath of life
As we worship you:

All: Help us be attentive to our own souls.

* **HYMN 35** *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Parenting God,
we gather as brothers, sisters and siblings,
bound by our love for you and for the wonderful universe you have created.**

Use the offertory moments to savor your gratitude for the abundance of God's love and to consider your own response in loving service. Your faithful giving is like the breath of life to mission programs we love, neighbors in need, and members who are hurting. Thank you for your faithful generosity! Ways to give include online on our First Pres website, via "Text-to-Give" (855-904-1523), using our Vanco Mobile app, putting a check in the mail, or scanning the QR code.



Our August donations and financial contributions support the Hunger Ministries Program of the Presbytery of Detroit. Non-perishable food may be placed in the baskets provided in the Welcome Center on Sundays, Mondays–Thursdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Fridays, 9 a.m. to noon. Financial gifts may be made by check or online. Donations will be coordinated by Presbyterian Women.

Fast-Track this Summer! Fast-Track to Membership by joining with a pastor and two elders in the office of Rev. Prentice-Hyers at 11 a.m. on select Sundays. There is a fast-track opportunity **TODAY**, Sunday, August 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 on October 2. 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!

Feeding Our Neighbors 2022

This summer, our neighbors in Washtenaw County and Detroit are spending 11% more on groceries, meaning that an even higher percentage of their budgets goes to providing food for their families. So, our neighbors need all of us now more than ever. One important local source of high-quality food comes from University of Michigan home football games, when First Pres volunteers collect unsold food from 40 concession stands, store the food in large walk-in freezers overnight and then on Monday, deliver the food to Cass Community Social Services and the Detroit Rescue Mission. It's fun, easy, important and eye-opening work as our volunteers witness the inner workings of Michigan Stadium after all the fans have gone home. Each year we save more than 8,000 lbs. of high-value food that supports our neighbors, individuals, and families. Our volunteer project reduces the food insecurity felt by our Detroit neighbors in a positive and visible way. The UM football season starts Saturday, September 3, with a 12:00 p.m. game. Easy parking is available outside the north gate (Gate 9) with free access during the fourth quarter. Sign up online (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090C4FAAAF2DAA8-food>) or contact Don Redding at (734) 669-2976 to volunteer to feed our neighbors.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please refer to the Communion Card.

Communion Music

3 Visions: II. Summerland

William Grant Still

SENDING

* HYMN 797

We Cannot Measure How You Heal

YE BANKS AND BRAES

* 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

3 Visions: III. Radiant Pinnacle

William Grant Still

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We are glad you are here! Please sign our Friendship Pad. If you are a guest with us, please wear a rose window button so that we can reach out to you with a fuller welcome.

Worship Leaders: Liturgist –Melissa Anne Rogers; Scripture Reader – Cheryl Gulbranson; Preacher – Dave Prentice-Hyers; Communion Servers – Cheryl and Ron Gulbranson; Pianist – Josh Marzan; Soloist – Benton DeGroot; Ushers – Cheryl and Ron Gulbranson

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**We come to sing and share of your love.
We come to listen and learn of your call.**

Created in your image, we each have a part to play in bringing your kingdom close.

**We come into your presence aware of our faults and failings.
We come and offer our apologies for all we have done or failed to do this past week.**

We ask your forgiveness and seek to be transformed again Into the shape of your love.

**We know we have work to do to bring peace and justice
Help us to do the work for our siblings near and far.
Give us strength and courage to step out in your name.
Help us take your love to all in need.
Amen, which simply means may it be so.**

SILENT PRAYER

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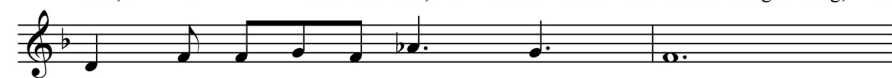
Glo - ry to God, _____ whose good - ness shines on me, and to the
World with - out end, _____ with - out end, A - men. World with - out



Son, _____ whose grace has par - doned me, and to the
end, _____ with - out end, A - men. World with - out



Spir - it, _____ whose love has set me free. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is
end, _____ with - out end, A - men. As it was in the be - gin - ning, is



now and ev - er shall be. A - men.
now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

This is Hymn 575, *Lord, Have Mercy upon Us* (PARDINI).

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**



1 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry in the high - est!
 2 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to Christ Je - sus!
 3 Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God, glo-ry to the Spir - it!

1 ¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria en los cie - los!
 2 ¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Je - su - cris - to!
 3 ¡Glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria a Dios, glo-ria al Es - pí - ri - tu!



To God be glo-ry for - ev - er! Al-le-lu-ia, A - men!
 ¡A Dios la glo-ria por siem - pre! ¡A - le - lu - ya, A - mén!



Al-le-lu-ia, A - men! Al-le-lu-ia, A - men!
 ¡A - le - lu - ya, A - mén! ¡A - le - lu - ya, A - mén!

This is Hymn 582, *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* (VASILE).

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 58:9b-14
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Luke 13:10-17
The grass withers, the flower fades; **The word of the Lord endures forever.**

SERMON

RESPONDING AND SEALING

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

Lord of the Dance

arr. Dan Hart

Benton DeGroot, baritone soloist

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
They came to me and the dance went on.

(Refrain)

Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance,
Said he, And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

I danced on the Sabbath when I cured the lame,
The holy people said it was a shame;
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;
And they left me there on a cross to die. *(Refrain)*

I danced on a Friday and the sky turned black;
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the dance and I still go on.

They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. *(Refrain)*

*** Doxology**

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

*** Prayer of Dedication**