



**Jacob and The Angel**

19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY *after* PENTECOST  
October 16, 2022 • 8:00 a.m.

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** *Sonata No. 37 in D, I. Allegro con spirito* Franz Joseph Haydn

**WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH**

**FAITH IN ACTION**

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

We have gathered in God's holy presence,  
the One who etches grace on our hearts.  
**This is the place where God transforms us.**

We glorify our God, who yearns for justice,  
not just for a favored few, but for the least of our world.  
**This is the place where God will write compassion on our souls.**

We give thanks to God for unceasing grace;  
we remember God's persistence in our lives.  
**This is the place where God will breathe the Word into our lives.**

\* **HYMN 694**

*Great God of Every Blessing*

AURELIA

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We confess we have strayed away from your Word.  
**We cry out to you, O God.**

We confess that we have allowed the worries of this world  
to drive us away from your vision for our lives.  
**We cry out to you, O God.**

We confess that there is strife and contention all around us.  
We cry out to you, O God.

We are powerless  
and have taken our focus off your Word.  
We have not allowed your Word to work in our lives,  
yet we continue to cry out to you in times of trouble and need.  
Grant understanding and wisdom  
that we may see your vision and apply it in our lives.  
Hear our prayer, O God, and  
Call us back to you...

### SILENT PRAYER

### KYRIE

Lee Afdahl

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### 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

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119:97-105

### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

The grass withers, the flower fades;

**The word of the Lord endures forever.**

Timothy 3:14-45

## SERMON

# RESPONDING AND SEALING

## OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

**Offertory**

*Sonata No. 34 in e, II. Adagio*

Franz Joseph Haydn

**\*Doxology**

**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.**

OLD HUNDREDTH

**\* Prayer of Dedication**

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Please refer to the Communion Card.*

## SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

*On behalf of the Session, today we ordain and install Nancy Fox as a Ruling Elder in the Class of 2023, and install Jim Schaafsma as Ruling Elder in the Class of 2022.*

**Opening Statement**

## **Constitutional Questions**

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

**I do.**

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you?

**I do.**

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God?

**I do and I will.**

Will you fulfill your office in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

**I will.**

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

**I will.**

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world?

**I will.**

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

**I do.**

Will you seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

**I will.**

## **Question to Elders**

Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in governing bodies of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

**I will.**

## Questions to the Congregation

Do we, the members of the church, accept Nancy Fox and Jim Schaafsma as elders, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

**We do.**

Do we agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?

**We do.**

## Prayer of Installation

## Declaration of Installation

# SENDING

\* HYMN 760

*When A Single Word Is Spoken*  
(SEE PAGE 7)

NETTLETON

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*Please be seated for the Closing Voluntary.*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

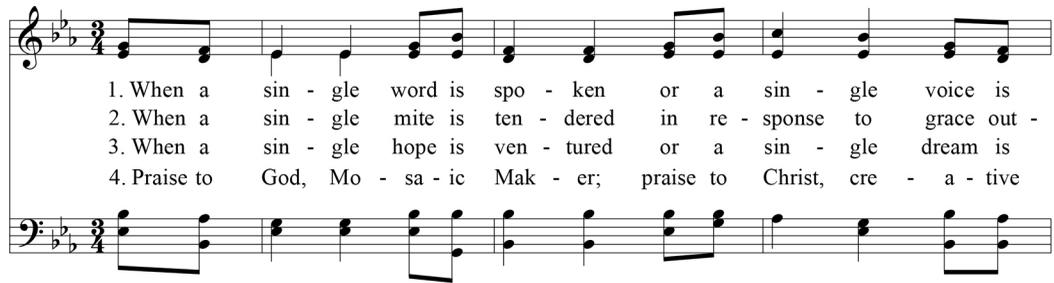
*Sonata No. 37 in D, III. Presto*

Franz Joseph Haydn

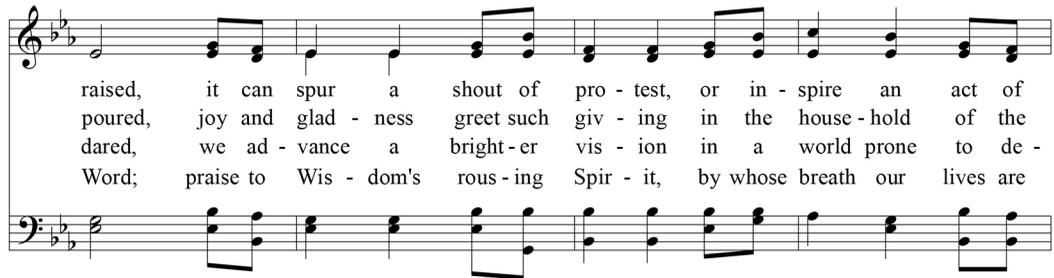
# When a Single Word Is Spoken

Commissioned by First Presbyterian Church, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Psalms 100  
Romans 5:1-11  
Mk 12:41-44; Lk 21:1-4



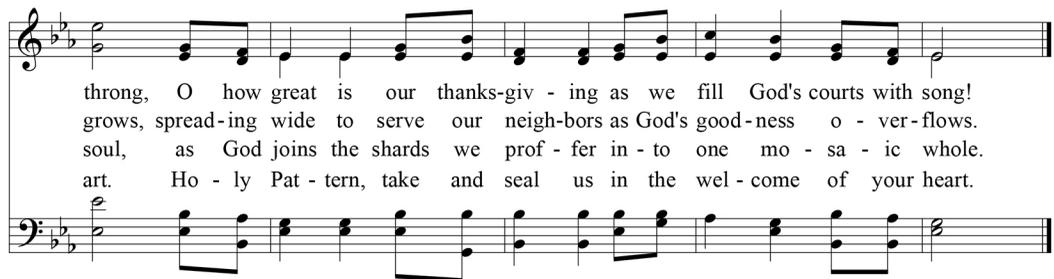
1. When a sin - gle word is spo - ken or a sin - gle voice is  
2. When a sin - gle mite is ten - dered in re - sponse to grace out -  
3. When a sin - gle hope is ven - tured or a sin - gle dream is  
4. Praise to God, Mo - sa - ic Mak - er; praise to Christ, cre - a - tive



raised, it can spur a shout of pro - test, or in - spire an act of  
poured, joy and glad - ness greet such giv - ing in the house - hold of the  
dared, we ad - vance a bright - er vis - ion in a world prone to de -  
Word; praise to Wis - dom's rous - ing Spir - it, by whose breath our lives are



praise. Then, as oth - ers join the chor - us, lend - ing voic - es to the  
Lord. And as each new pledge is of - fered, how the reach of mer - cy  
spair. Bits of cour - age build en - dur - ance, strength for bod - y, mind, and  
stirred. All our rain - bow shapes and col - ors spring from your ex - pan - sive



throng, O how great is our thanks - giv - ing as we fill God's courts with song!  
grows, spread - ing wide to serve our neigh - bors as God's good - ness o - ver - flows.  
soul, as God joins the shards we prof - fer in - to one mo - sa - ic whole.  
art. Ho - ly Pat - tern, take and seal us in the wel - come of your heart.

# Welcome

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## FIRST-TIME VISITORS AND MEMBERS

Please use the Friendship Pad located in the pew to let us know you joined us in worship or use this QR code to sign our online Friendship Pad.



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We are glad you are here! First Presbyterian Church is an inclusive and diverse faith community, led by the Holy Spirit, who welcomes people of all ages and backgrounds to come together to explore, nurture, and deepen their faith.

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 in a basket. Wearing this button helps us know that you are new among us so that we can reach out to you with a fuller welcome.

To learn more about First Pres, please visit our website at [firstpresbyterian.org](http://firstpresbyterian.org)

## WORSHIP LEADERS

|           |             |         |                |
|-----------|-------------|---------|----------------|
| Liturgist | Megan Berry | Pianist | Josh Marzan    |
| Lector    | Nancy Fox   | Ushers  | Marty Reineman |
| Preacher  | Mark Mares  |         |                |

## WAYS TO GIVE

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!

### 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

<https://bit.ly/FPCvanco>

### Vanco Mobile App

Scan the QR code



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Desire Prayer? A pastor will remain at the Communion Table after the service if you are in need of prayer.

# Faith Formation this Sunday

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## CHILDREN & YOUTH

No Children's Choir rehearsal today.

### Children's Classes

11:15 am | Levels 1 & 3 Classrooms

### Youth Classes

11:00 am | Youth Room

### Confirmation Class

11:30 am | Off site

8th graders (or older who haven't taken confirmation) are invited to join this class as we ask questions of scripture, theology, history, and faith.

## ADULTS

### The Bible at 11 o'clock

11:00 am | French Room

A discussion-based class focused on biblical texts.

### First Friends & Exploring the Faith

11:00 am | Monteith Hall & Zoom

Lecture-based class with guest speakers.

Arleta Greer and Julie Neuhauser will help us understand the issues that face the LGBTQ+ community and explore simple ways we can be more affirming in our actions and thoughts.

### Kerygma

11:00 | Vance Room

## EVENING GATHERINGS

### Youth Group

6:00 pm | Youth Room

### T2A2 Young Adult Group

7:00 pm | Off site

## NEXT SUNDAY

### Family Retreat

11:00 am Lecture | Monteith Hall

12:00 - 4:00 pm Retreat

Families are invited to our first Family Retreat next Sunday with guest speaker Dr. Karen-Marie Yust, Professor of Christian Education at Union Presbyterian Seminary. The day will include lunch, Q & A with Dr. Yust, games, family spiritual practices, and a s'mores roast! Cost is \$10 per family; scholarships are available. For more information, contact [btd@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:btd@firstpresbyterian.org).

## Announcements

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### ARTS

**“Dancing Up the Walls: Paintings in Motion” by Peter Sparling** —Plan to visit our new Art Exhibit in the Social Hall. “Dancing Up the Walls: Paintings in Motion” by Peter Sparling, will be available for viewing through December. All are invited to attend an Artist Reception and Talk on Friday, October 28, 7–9:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. There will be a Silent Auction of nine of Peter’s paintings to benefit the Sacred Music and Fine Arts Fund.

***Requiem by Maurice Duruflé and Five Variants of “Dives and Lazarus” by Ralph Vaughan Williams*** will be presented by FPC’s Chancel Choir, Chamber Orchestra, and Organ on All Saints’ Sunday, November 6, at 3:00 p.m., in the Sanctuary. A Love Offering will be received in support of the Sacred Music and Fine Arts Fund.

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### CONNECT

**Welcome, College Students!** Our college community, UKirk@UMich, typically meets on Sunday nights at 7:30 pm. This week we will not meet due to UM fall break. See you next week! Contact Hannah Lundberg at [campus@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:campus@firstpresbyterian.org) for more information, and follow us on Instagram @UKirkUMich for regular updates.

**Presbyterian Women (PW)** hosts the Circles dinner on Tuesday, October 18. Volunteers are needed to prepare food and serve! Sign up by contacting Carole Hendrickson at [hmcst42@gmail.com](mailto:hmcst42@gmail.com). InGathering, PW’s annual collection of donated items and money, supports Second Mile Center in Detroit this year. Donations of new towels, queen and king size sheets, clothing for children and teens, and \$25 gift cards to Kroger, Walmart, or Target are needed. Drop them off at the Welcome Center during October. Monetary donations are also welcome! Contact Joyce Himebaugh, [joycehimebaugh@gmail.com](mailto:joycehimebaugh@gmail.com).

**The Men’s Study Group** meets on the first and third Friday mornings from 8:30 – 9:30 a.m., in the Curtis Room (and on Zoom), for coffee, study, and conversation. Questions? Contact Rev. Sanderford, [jsanderford@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:jsanderford@firstpresbyterian.org). **Zoom Meeting ID:** 878 003 793

**All women are invited to join Journeys Bible Study.** This First Pres women’s study group meets on the first and third Thursdays, 11:30–1:00 pm, in the Curtis Room, facilitated by Resident Minister Hannah Lundberg. All meetings are hybrid. Questions? Contact Beth Gerwig, [bgerwig@comcast.net](mailto:bgerwig@comcast.net). **Zoom Meeting ID:** 295 007 173

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## CARE

**Are you called to Stephen Ministry?** A new class of Stephen Ministers will begin training in January. Is God calling you? Apply for the program, which includes 50 hours of training (on Zoom and in person) from January through May, and be commissioned to the most meaningful ministry of compassion you can imagine. For more info, see Rev. Rogers or any Stephen Minister at First Pres.

**All Saints' Sunday is November 6.** We hope you will worship with us. Names of members and family and friends of members who have died in the last year will be read during worship. Names may be submitted online at <https://bit.ly/3rdmtgc> or by contacting the Church Office by **Monday, October 24** at noon.

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## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

**Advent is coming!** If are willing to write a brief devotional to help guide this holy season, please let Rev. Rogers know ([mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org)). Once you sign up, you'll be given the theme and scriptures to reflect upon, and asked to write a short reflection. Scriptures and themes will be sent out in early November, and you'll have a few weeks to submit your devotional, along with a brief bio and picture. First-time authors especially encouraged, and our pastoral staff is there to provide lots of help!

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## MISSION

**Our October food donations** and special financial contributions support the hunger ministry 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 and delivered by Presbyterian Women.

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## STEWARDSHIP: ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

**Mosaic of Hope** celebrates the vibrancy of our church and the incredible gifts that each one of us brings to our community. Each commitment pledge allows us to carry out our mission as an inclusive and diverse faith community.

As part of the First Pres community, you are invited to make a generous pledge to our church out of your financial resources and individual talents. The costs of ministry are increasing; we all know the impact of inflation. Please consider increasing your pledge or contribution for 2023, remembering that every amount helps. After you make your pledge or commitment, you are invited to place an individual tile on the large Mosaic of Hope display in the Sanctuary.

If you have any questions, please contact **Anna Miller, Finance Manager, 734-662-4466**  
To make a pledge online, visit [bit.ly/FPC2023](https://bit.ly/FPC2023)



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