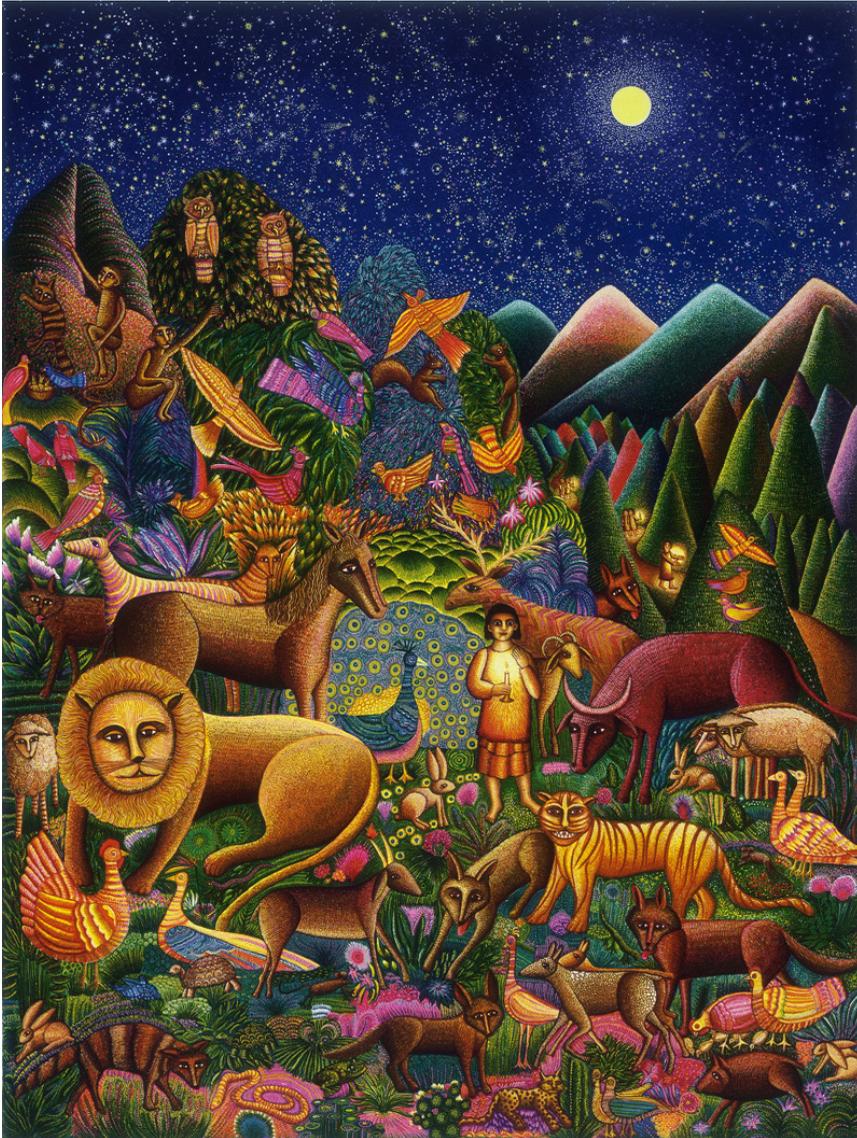




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## Peaceable Kingdom

by John August Swanson

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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

### WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

### FAITH IN ACTION

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

In times of peace and times of war:  
**you are our constant.**

In the noise and in the silence:  
**you are our comfort.**

When all is change and we fear to lose our way:  
**you are our compass.**

Ever-faithful God,  
**we worship you.**

#### \* HYMN 373

*O Day of Peace*

JERUSALEM

### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love, God of justice, God of joy,  
We come before you in wonder, community, and remembrance.  
Into a world torn apart by violence, greed, and despair.  
**Yet you breathe peace, presence, and hope.**

We come before you, seeking your grace and guidance,  
as we navigate a world which seems so full of challenges and division.  
**Give us the boldness to persevere and the resolve to work  
within the world we have, to make it better for all.**

We come before you, conscious of our faults and our failures,  
**We ask for your support, your care, your forgiveness, and your compassion.**

Remind us that while adversity will come, you remain steadfast,  
 be our constant support and strength,  
 be our hope in every despair,  
**You are the one who welcomes us home when the day is done.**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**KYRIE**

LAND OF REST



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



Lord, have mer - cy, Christ, have mer - cy, 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**

GLORY TO GOD



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.

# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 65:17-25

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 21:5-19

The grass withers, the flower fades;

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

## SERMON

## RESPONDING & SEALING

### OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

#### Offertory

#### \*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

### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Please refer to the Communion Card.*

## SENDING

#### \* HYMN 376

*When All Is Ended*

YOGANANDA

#### \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*Please be seated for the Closing Voluntary.*

### CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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# 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.

## WORSHIP LEADERS

Liturgist	Hannah Lundberg	Faith in Action	Cheryl Gulbranson
	Mark Mares	Ushers	Robin Agnew
Lector	Nancy Fox	Communion Servers	Felicity Williams
Preacher	David Prentice Hyers		Barbara Eichmuller
Pianist	Josh Marzan		

## WAYS TO GIVE

Your gift allows us to carry out our mission as an inclusive and diverse faith community.

### Cash/Check

Place in the offering plate or in the mail

### Online

<https://bit.ly/FPCvanco>

### Text-to-Give

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

### Vanco Mobile App



## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Fostering Futures & Family-to-Family Christmas

# GIVE THE GIFT OF HOPE

The holiday season can be a challenging time for families and individuals in need. You can join First Pres in making God's love visible by helping local children and families during the Christmas season.

This year, First Pres will provide gifts to 40 to 50 families referred by the Washtenaw County Department of Health and Human Services through Family to Family Christmas and 40 children through local non-profit Fostering Futures.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

### PROVIDE GIFTS FOR A FOSTER CHILD

Sign up online (now through Dec 3) to request information on a foster child to assist. Once you receive the gift information, please purchase the requested items, place in a gift bag (but do not wrap the gifts), and bring to the church by December 4.

### ADOPT A FAMILY

Sign up online (now through Dec 11) to request information on a family to adopt. Families range from elderly or disabled individuals to families of 6 or more. The recommended amount to spend per family member is \$25-30 (you need only buy gifts for children 18 and under and senior citizens).

Family-to-Family is a person-to-person project, and we encourage donors to communicate with their families during what can be an isolating time. Suggested delivery options include: shop and ship gifts directly to the family; send gift cards to the family; or arrange a date for gift delivery at the door. You may also request that a volunteer deliver your gifts on your behalf.

### MONETARY DONATION

Make a financial contribution of any amount (please indicate Family-to-Family). Your donation will help purchase gift cards for those not directly assisted. Financial contributions may also assist families at U-M/Mott Hospital during the holidays.

### VOLUNTEER

Volunteers are needed to help deliver gifts to families on Sunday, December 18.

**For more info**, contact Julie Morrison [jdornmorrison@gmail.com](mailto:jdornmorrison@gmail.com) or 734-646-5351

### SIGN UP ONLINE

**[WWW.FIRSTPRESBYTERIAN.ORG](http://WWW.FIRSTPRESBYTERIAN.ORG)**

## Today at First

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### CHILDREN & YOUTH

#### Childcare

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Level 1  
Ages 5 and young

#### Children's Choir

10:45 a.m. | Lemon Chapel (Level 3)

#### Children's Classes

11:15 a.m. | Levels 1 and 3

#### Youth Classes

11:00 a.m. | LL4, LL1 (Lower Level)

#### Confirmation Class

11:00 a.m. | Youth Room (Lower Level)  
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.

#### Youth Group

12:00 p.m. | Social Hall  
Grilled cheese cookoff

### ADULTS

#### First Friends

11:00 a.m. | Lewis Room (Level 2) & Zoom  
Discussion-based class.

#### The Bible at 11 o'clock

11:00 a.m. | French Room (Level 1)  
A discussion-based class focused on biblical texts.  
The class is currently reading 2 Corinthians.

#### Exploring the Faith

11:00 a.m. | Monteith Hall (Level 1)  
Topical-based class with guest speakers.  
"African American Families of Ypsilanti Hidden in the Shadow of the Water Tower"  
Speakers: Cheryl Garnett and Jean Winburn

#### UKirk@UMich College Ministry

12:00 p.m. | Off site  
We meet for lunch and conversation after worship. For location, contact Hannah Lundberg, [hlundberg@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:hlundberg@firstpresbyterian.org)

#### T2A2 Young Adult Group

7:00 p.m. | Off site

## Announcements

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### STEWARDSHIP

We continue to make progress on our Annual Giving Campaign: **As of November 7, 2022 we have 259 pledges totaling \$1,121,441 which is 71.2% of our goal.** Thank you to the individuals and families who have made a financial pledge to First Pres. If you have not turned in your pledge yet, First Pres still needs your help as we plan the 2023 budget. Thank you for all you do to support the ministry and mission of First Pres! To make a pledge online, visit [www.firstpresbyterian.org](http://www.firstpresbyterian.org).

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## ARTS

**Eisenhower Dance Detroit** — Join us this afternoon at 4:00 pm for a performance of “I/YOU/WE/ARE” by Eisenhower Dance Detroit. Recognizing that labeling, stereotyping, and prejudice often take root in middle school and high school, EDD has adapted ARC into a replicable school performance and residency program fostering an understanding of the impact labeling, bullying, and prejudice have on who we are as individuals and as community.

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## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

**Working with Hearing Loss**—Join us on Monday, November 14, at 7:00 pm in person or by Zoom for the Stephen Ministry Continuing Education presentation “Working With Hearing Loss” by Thomas E. O’Connor, M.A., CCC-A, FAAA, a clinical audiologist with over 30 years experience. This presentation will be especially helpful to those experiencing hearing loss, as well as their friends, family, and caregivers. Also included will be recent findings on the relationship between hearing loss, dementia, and other health issues.

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## CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

An updated version of the **First Pres Membership Directory** (without photos) will be published by the end of the year. If there have been changes to your basic contact information, or if you do not want to be included in the directory listing, contact the Church Office, 662-4466, or email Linda Robinson, [lrobinson@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:lrobinson@firstpresbyterian.org) by November 15. (Note: A new photo directory for our members is coming in 2023-24!)

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## ADULTS

**Help Presbyterian Women “Stroll” on December 11**— The ever popular All-Church Strolling Reception will take place at 5:00 p.m. following the Glorious Sounds of Christmas concert on Sunday, December 11. Presbyterian Women will be present in the Social Hall providing sweet nibbles, a creche display, and more. Volunteers are needed to help with set up, staffing the event and tear down. Lending a hand is just as much fun as attending the event! Sign up by contacting Linda Atkins at [atkins.linda@att.net](mailto:atkins.linda@att.net).

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## MISSION

**November Food Collection** — Each month we collect food donations and special financial contributions to support a local hunger ministry partner. This month our partners are Community Action Network (C.A.N.) and Washtenaw Community College’s Emergency Food Bank. 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 our Campus Ministry.

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## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Pancake Supper Volunteers Needed**— On Thursday, December 8, First Pres will welcome college students to a delicious pancake supper from 10 p.m.-midnight. This is a great way to extend hospitality to our student neighbors during finals season, and we need your help! Sign up to volunteer on the church website, or make a donation designated for “pancake supper.” Contact Hannah Lundberg ([hlundberg@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:hlundberg@firstpresbyterian.org)) with any questions.

**Advent Happening Volunteers Needed**—Calling all crafters! Preparations are underway for our wonderful Advent Happening Event on Dec 3. Each year we see approximately 150 people at this event, and hope to see you all again! If you enjoy trying out new crafts or have some extra time to prep materials, please contact Beca Torres-Davenport, Coordinator for Children & Family Ministry, [btd@firstpresbyterian.org](mailto:btd@firstpresbyterian.org).



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