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* Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol,
and join in singing or reading aloud text in **bold**.

GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Air from Water Music

G. F. Handel

POURING OF THE WATER

WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and see that the Lord is good.

Come and see all the Lord has done.

Speak, Lord, for Your people are listening.

Come and know that You are fearfully and wonderfully made.

Come and know that Your body is a habitation of the Holy Spirit.

Speak, Lord, for Your people are listening.

Come and hear all the Lord is doing.

Come and hear that you are known and loved by God.

Come and hear the word of the Lord.

Speak, Lord, for Your people are listening.

* HYMN 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God,

**We come before You now, acknowledging that over the last week,
we have failed to love others as You love us, we have not seen
others in the way that You see them, we have not followed You in
the way You have called us to.**

**Forgive us God, for those times that we have failed to live as You
would have us live, for those times we have not embodied our
faith, for those times that we have not glorified You with our
actions, for those times we have thought everything is about us,
for those times we have not recognized You calling to us.**

**Forgive us God, and make us whole once again, renew us to be a
community that sees the beauty in the world and people around
us, a community that is known by You and seeks to make You
known in the world, call to us afresh this day...**

SILENT PRAYER

KYRIE

Lee Afdahl

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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

AUSTRIAN HYMN

**See, the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river
ever flows, their thirst to assuage?
Grace, so like the Lord the giver,
never fails from age to age.**

PROCLAIMING *the* WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-18

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Please join in singing as the children come forward.

May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace;
singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

John 1:43-51

The grass withers, the flower fades;
The word of the Lord endures forever.

SERMON

Sacred music
composer Tom
Trenney (b. 1977)
is the Minister
of Music at
First-Plymouth
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Professor of
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SCAN ME

RESPONDING

* HYMN 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Will You Come and Follow Me

arr. Tom Trenney

Chancel Choir

Come. "Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"

Come. "Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?"

Come. "Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"

Come. "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me. Come.

* DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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 610 *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
Please be seated for the Closing Voluntary.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY
Sortie in A Major Théodore Dubois



The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of our Promises group led by Kathy Wirstrom, Heidi Hess-Willis, Stacey Pakela, and the many devoted parents and caregivers. We thank our leaders as we celebrate Megan Carlisle, Doug Peterson, Rob Mayer, Dana Hartman, Katherine Huppenbauer, Neil Hollenbeck, Kristin Sutton, Lizzie Andrea, and Amy Snyir — our specially-abled members who join together each month for fellowship and prayer.

Clément François Théodore Dubois (1837-1924) was a French Romantic composer, organist, and music teacher. In 1871 he succeeded César Franck as organist at the church of Sainte-Clotilde. In 1868 he was choirmaster at the Church of the Madeleine and later succeeded Camille Saint-Saëns as organist there. He taught harmony at the Paris Conservatoire (1871–90) and was its director from 1896 to 1905.

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WELCOME

We Are Glad You Are Here!

We are so thankful that you have joined us today for worship. We would love to get to know you and help you get to know us.

While you are with us today, we would love for you to do two things:

- 1. **Sign the Friendship Pad.** The pads are located at the end of each pew. Sign it then pass it down to others.
- 2. **Join us following worship for Social Hour.** There will be cookies and coffee and lots of friendly faces.

Children in Worship

Childcare is available for ages 5 and younger on the First Level. Children are always welcome to stay with their families during worship.

Parking

Additional parking is located at the Forest Avenue parking structure located on South Forest Avenue between South University and Willard. The structure is only a three minute walk from the church, and parking is free on Sundays. To get to the church from the structure, cross Forest Avenue and walk down Forest Court to the end of the block.

Worship Leaders

Rev. David Prentice-Hyers	<i>Minister of Music & Fine Arts</i>
Rev. Tommy Langejans	David VanderMeer
Rev. Hannah Lundberg	<i>Lay Reader</i>
Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers	Maverick Musser
<i>Musicians</i>	<i>Hillegonds Chapel</i>
Chancel Choir	<i>Prayer Partner</i>
<i>Organist</i>	Catherinne Kendall
David Hufford	

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

8:30 AM

**Contemplative
Communion
Service**
Monteith Hall

9:30 AM

Worship
Sanctuary &
Livestream

9:30 AM

**Children &
Youth Faith
Formation**
Classrooms

10:30 AM

Social Hour
Social Hall

10:45 AM

**Lemon Chapel
Singers (K-8th)**
Lemon Chapel

11:00 AM

**Adult Faith
Formation**
Classrooms

11:15 AM

Worship
Monteith Hall

12:00 PM

College Lunch
Youth Lounge

6:00 PM

Youth Group
off site

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADULT FORMATION

Classes meet at 11:00 a.m.

Pick up the 2024 Winter/Spring Adult Faith Formation Classes brochure in the Welcome Center.

EXPLORING THE FAITH

Befriending Grief

Lewis Room

Speaker: Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers

What insight can we glean from those who have heavy hearts and sad souls? Grief is the least linear thing we can experience. And yet, we all do it. Many of us struggle to carry the pain of loss while also engaging in our lives that go on.

BIBLE AT 11 O'CLOCK

New Testament:

Epistles of Peter

French Room & Zoom

Host: Ed Koster

CARE & COMPASSION SERIES

LGBTQIA+ Health and Wellness

Monday, January 22

7:00 p.m. | Zoom

Join us on ZOOM when our speaker, Courtney Mucklin, will address Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body while LGBTQ. This presentation will briefly discuss specific challenges individuals in the LGBTQ community face as it relates to Alzheimer's disease and dementia. We will also discuss strategies for healthy

decision-making when it comes to sleep, smoking, mental health, and physical activity. Courtney Mucklin is the Program Coordinator at the Midwest AIDS Education and Training Center.

MISSION

January Food Collection

Each month we collect food donations and special financial contributions to support a local hunger ministry partner. This month our partner is Food Gatherers. 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.

MUSIC & FINE ARTS

Summer Camp

Hey, kids! Join us for a week of non-stop fun this summer learning the musical drama based on the Exodus story, "Moses and the Freedom Fanatics." We'll have lots of other activities, such as handbells, crafts, games, Bible stories, and more. The cost is \$75 per camper, and the camp will run from July 29 to August 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. with a performance on Sunday, August 4. Register online at firstpresbyterian.org.

Have you pledged?

**452 individuals & families have pledged
\$1,855,877 towards our \$1,993,000 goal.
THANK YOU!**

Your pledge supports our worship services, music ministries, outreach to our neighbors, educational offerings, and so much more.

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

Worship Service in the Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hour Celebration
10:30 a.m.

Evening Celebration
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Share Your Memories & Well Wishes

