15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 • 9:30 A.M.



Women at the Well Diego Rivera



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

The Bells of Dunblane Tim Michling, Bagpipes

Robert Mathieson

WELCOME AND LIFE IN THE CHURCH

* CALL TO WORSHIP

May God be among us throughout this day.

Amen.

May Christ be beside us throughout this day.

Amen.

May the Spirit be within us throughout this day.

Amen.

May we, as God's people, be at one with the saints in heaven and live in harmony with the Blessed Three to whom be praise and glory for ever. **Amen.**

* HYMN 81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

AUSTRIAN HYMN

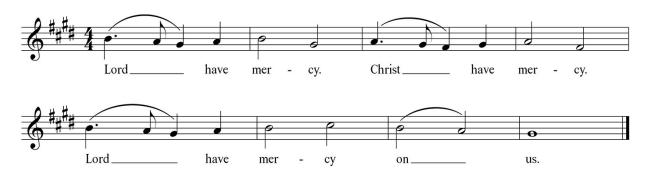
CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of tender mercies, we admit that sometimes we don't know what to do with ourselves. We anger at the slightest insult and imagine great vengeance upon those who wronged us. We laze about in the good news of our faith and do not consider the deep commitment of faith. We care for ourselves but not for others. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive us, help us to repent, and make us whole...

SILENT PRAYER

KYRIE UKRAINE



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

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

This is Stanza 2 of Hymn 649, *Amazing Grace* (AMAZING GRACE).

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Exodus 17:1–7

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING John 4:7–19

The grass withers, the flower fades;

The word of the Lord endures forever.

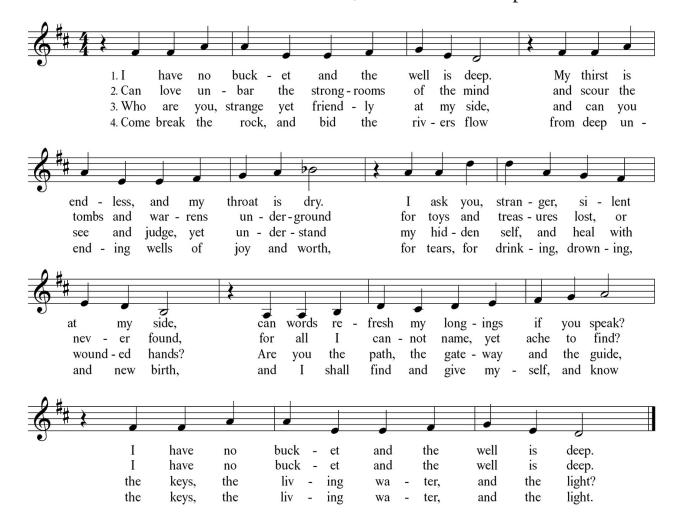
SERMON

RESPONDING



I Have No Bucket, and the Well Is Deep

LIGHTCLIFFE



OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

O Come, Every One That Thirsteth from Elijah Chancel Choir Felix Mendelssohn

- O come, every one that thirsteth,
- O come to the waters, O come unto Him.
- O hear, and your souls shall live forever!
- O come to the waters, O come unto Him.

* 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 757

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

* CHARGE

Please be seated for the Closing Voluntary and the Congregational Meeting.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Rondeau

Jean Joseph Mouret

FPC Orchestra

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

* BENEDICTION

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We are glad you are here! Please sign our Friendship Pad. 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. If you are with us via YouTube, Facebook, or radio, please sign the pad on our website.

We extend a warm welcome to our guest preacher, the Reverend Gary Noonan. Gary is Minister at Houston and Killellan Kirk, in Scotland. He was a Police Officer for 13 years, laterally serving as an Inspector. After graduating from seminary, he did a 15-month residency ministry at Alloway Parish Church, the heart of the national poet Robert Burns' work. Gary is in his 5th year of ministry in Houston. He has been married to Ruth for over 19 years and they have two sons, Robbie, age 16, and Gregor, age 10. In his spare time Gary is a football (soccer) referee.

Worship Leaders: Welcome – Jay Sanderford and Melissa Anne Rogers; Liturgists – Dave Prentice-Hyers and Melissa Anne Rogers; Lector – Chloe Majorprice; Children's Message – Megan Berry; Preacher – Gary Noonan; Chancel Choir; Orchestra; Organist – David Hufford; Conductor – Dave VanderMeer; Ushers – Paul Smith (captain), Carol Smith, Beth Gerwig, Angela Yang, Greta Krapohl, Ken, Ali, and Ava Westfall, and Holly, Aidan, and Chloe Majorprice; Greeters – Barbara Concannon and Penny Papadopoulos

Chancel flowers are given in loving memory of Eric Vincent Johnson by his family.

Prayer team volunteers are available for those desiring prayer in Hillegonds Chapel after the 9:30 service. Prayer team volunteers are Gail Grady and Brad Taylor. "Some people pray just to pray and some people pray to know God." – Andrew Murray

A meeting of the congregation has been called by Session for today, Sunday, September 18, immediately following the 9:30 am worship service, for the purpose of electing church officers – elders and deacons – for the Class of 2025. This is a hybrid meeting. If you are not available to attend in person, join us by Zoom by using this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81355308660.

Join us for a time of fellowship on the Circle Terrace immediately following the Congregational Meeting.

Faith Formation Opportunities Today		
Children's Choir Rehearsal	Lemon Chapel	10:45–11:15 am
Classes for Youth and Adults Youth Exploring the Faith First Friends The Bible at 11 o'clock.	Youth Room Monteith Hall Lewis Room Curtis Room	11–11:50 am
Classes for Children	Levels 1 and 3	11:15–11:50 am
Youth Group	Youth Room	6 pm
T2A2 Young Adult Group		7 pm
UKirk@UMich College Ministry	•	7:30 pm

Welcome, College Students! Our college community, UKirk@UMich, meets on Sunday nights at 7:30 pm, here at First Pres. We welcome undergraduates from any school for weekly discussion, community, grounding rituals, and dessert! Contact Hannah Lundberg at campus@firstpresbyterian.org for more information, and follow us on Instagram @UKirkUMich for regular updates.

All women are invited to join Journeys Book/Bible Study. This First Pres women's study group meets on the first and third Thursday of the month, 11:30–1:00 pm, in the Curtis Room. We check-in the first half hour with our bag lunches from home. Shared reading and imagining God's meaning for today's calling lead to stimulating conversation follow, facilitated by Resident Minister Hannah Lundberg. All meetings are hybrid. More details? Contact Beth Gerwig bgerwig@comcast.net or (734) 412-5258.

Help pack hygiene kits! On October 2, as our First Sunday Faith Formation Event, we are packing hygiene kits for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. These kits are sent out to places that have been hit by natural disasters or are otherwise in a time of crisis. Our goal is to pack 65 hygiene kits together! If you would like to donate supplies, you can find the list here: https://pda.pcusa.org/page/kits/. Please bring your supplies to the Welcome Center by Monday, September 26.

Alpha House's main fundraising event "Driving Home" will be held this Thursday, September 22, 4–7 pm. Every very meal purchased generates revenue for Alpha House. Please consider supporting Alpha House at this event either by purchasing a meal or making a donation. More information may be found at: https://www.alphahouse-ihn.org/driving-home. Our next Host Week is November 7–13. Look for volunteer sign-up information soon. Alpha House is located at 4290 Jackson Road.

The Mature Ministries Trip to the Yankee Air Museum and Michigan Firehouse Museum with lunch at Antonio's Cucina Italiana in Canton on Tuesday, September 22, still has openings. The Yankee Air Museum boasts a collection of heritage airplanes on the very site of the famous Willow Run bomber plant that played a decisive role in the WWII war effort. Most of us know of Willow Run; few have actually seen it. Come learn the story, shared with us by Museum Director, Kevin Walsh. A pizza and pasta feat awaits at Antonio's for your lunch. Wrap up your day with a brief visit to a gleaming collection of fire engines and try your luck on the firemen's pole if you're game! Limit of 55; 9:15 am to 4 pm; cost: \$50 (includes admission, lunch, and transportation). Sign up today! https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f45a4ac283-mature1



The Presbytery of Detroit and
First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor
cordially invite you to join us in presence and prayer
to joyfully celebrate the

Service of Installation of

Rev. David Prentice-Hyers

as Lead Pastor of First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 18, 2022, at 2:00 pm

1432 Washtenaw Avenue Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

A reception will follow in the Social Hall.

Parking is limited. Additional free parking is available at the

Forest Avenue parking structure.

Clergy are invited to process; please bring vestments (red stole). RSVP by September 15 to epatrick@firstpresbyterian.org or 734-662-4466, ext. 349.

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- scan the QR code on the right



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