



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Ann Arbor | Michigan

JANUARY 10, 2016

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

## Gathering

PRELUDE

*Pastorale*

Charles Wesley

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. Rogers (9:30)

Rev. Béghin (11:00)

FAITH IN ACTION Congregational Nominating Committee

Sean Hoskins (9:30)

Brian Schneidewind (11:00)

### CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;

**All: let us exalt the name of the Lord together.**

One: Come, let us sing to the Lord;

**All: let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

\* HYMN 229 *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Mighty and merciful God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling. We have been timid and frightened disciples, forgetful of your powerful presence and the strength of your Spirit among us.**

**O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. As you have chosen us and claimed us in our baptism, strengthen us anew to choose Christ's way in this world. Give us your Holy Spirit that each one in ministry may be provided with all the gifts of grace needed to fulfill our common calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.**

*from Book of Occasional Services*

### SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

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\* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*You are invited to share signs with one another of the peace we experience as forgiven people. Greet one another saying, "The peace of Christ be with you," and respond, "And also with you."*

\* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**O for a thousand tongues to sing my dear Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of God's grace.  
My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.**

 **Proclaiming** 

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Brady West (9:30)

Michael Gatien (11:00)

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Isaiah 43:1-7

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SCRIPTURAL RESPONSE** *Be Not Afraid* (Isaiah 43:2-3)

Bob Dufford

*Please sing the refrain when indicated:*

**Be not afraid, I go before you always.**

**Come follow me, and I will give you rest.**

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**A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

*Children through grade five are invited forward.*

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

Rev. Dr. Fair

 **Responding** 

\* **HYMN 524**

*Holy Spirit, Lord of Love*

SALZBURG

**WELCOME**

Rev. Sanderford (9:30)

Rev. Dr. Monnett (11:00)

*Please sign the Friendship Pad and pass it to others sitting nearby.*

**OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS**

**Offertory**

*Many Gifts, One Spirit*

Allen Pote

Many gifts, one spirit; many songs, one voice. Many reasons, one promise; many questions, one choice. O God, we pray for unity, give guidance from above. In our differences unite us in the circle of your love. O God, remind us we are not alone. Though we move on different pathways, we are walking to your throne.

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Help us learn to love each other; show us ways to understand we are members of one family, growing strong by joining hands. Take our many ways of working, blend the colors of each soul into the beauty of a rainbow. Give us life, Lord, make us whole.

\* **Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\* **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.**

**ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF DEACONS (9:30)**

**ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS (11:00)**

*At the 9:30 a.m. service the deacons-elect will be presented for ordination and/or installation; at the 11:00 a.m. service the elders-elect will be presented for ordination and/or installation. †The cross denotes persons previously ordained.*

(9:30) Deacons to be ordained and/or installed today include Ross Anderson, Al Barber, Marolin Bellefleur<sup>†</sup>, Jill Binkley<sup>†</sup>, Paula Doering<sup>†</sup>, Gail Einhaus, Doris Granum, George Hendrickson, Nicole Jolliet, Barb Ladewski, Jane Myers, Ann Nicklas, Margie Perrett, and Brad Taylor.

(11:00) Elders to be ordained and/or installed today include Lucie Audette<sup>†</sup>, Tom Brandt<sup>†</sup>, Chris Dahl<sup>†</sup>, Prue Heikkinen<sup>†</sup>, Olivier Jolliet, Marita Servais<sup>†</sup>, Kate Silbert, Carol Smith, and Bill Wood<sup>†</sup>.

**One:** Do we, the members of the church, accept these people as (deacons/ruling elders), chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

**All: We do.**

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

**All: We do.**

**Laying On of Hands**

**Declaration of Ordination and Installation**

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 Sending 

\* **HYMN 525**

*Here I Am, Lord*

HERE I AM, LORD

\* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

\* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?**

**I have heard You calling in the night.**

**I will go, Lord, if You lead me.**

**I will hold Your people in my heart.**

\* **POSTLUDE**

*Toccata in F Major*

Dietrich Buxtehude

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\* Please rise in body or spirit.

**Welcome to all!** Please know that all, including visitors and newcomers, are invited to share in the life of the church. A full description of church events may be found online at [www.firstpresbyterian.org](http://www.firstpresbyterian.org). If you have questions, please visit the **Welcome Center**, just outside the Social Hall. Greeting you there today are Angie Miller and Gale Redding. **Church Office volunteers** are Bill and Pat Fuerstenau. **Greeters** for the 9:30 a.m. service are Jennifer Griggs, Steven Engel, and Jane and Larry Peterson. Greeters for the 11:00 a.m. service are Ginny Rezmierski and Judy Landau.

**Ushers** are Bill Austin (head) and Michele Derr at 8:00 a.m.; Bill Austin (head), Dick Carlisle (captain), Len Rezmierski, Carol Seneff, Carol Carter, Jim Cameron, Marty Swindle, Connie Swindle, Keith Bilby, Sheila Bilby, Dean Gilchrist, and Spaulding Clark at 9:30 a.m.; and Bill Austin (head), Don Redding (captain), Linda Lampman, Cyndy Colton, Jim Douglass, and Jeanette Middleton at 11:00 a.m.

**The prayer team** is available for those desiring prayer in Hillegonds Chapel, to the right of the piano, after the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services. Prayer team members are Nancy Fox, Diane Knibbs, and Catherine Kendall following the 9:30 a.m. service, and Meg Brown, Katie Parker, and Mary Kay Gray following the 11:00 a.m. service. After the 8:00 a.m. service a minister is available at the Communion Table for prayer. "Every day I pray. I yield myself to God, the tensions and anxieties go out of me and peace and power come in." – Dale Carnegie

**Musical leadership** is provided by Michael Miller, baritone, and Chancel Choir.

**The Chancel flowers** are given by Betsy and J. P. DiMaggio and family in honor of their parents Robben and Sally Fleming and Samuel and Angeline DiMaggio; to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elder Thomas G. Gies by Thelma Rivette; and in loving memory of Edsel Barker by his daughter Jennifer France and her family.

## **TODAY'S EVENTS**

**Worship** is at 8:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. **Radio Worship service is broadcast at 11:00 a.m.**, on WAAM (1600 AM), and on WAAM's website, [www.waamannarbor.com](http://www.waamannarbor.com).

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**Join us for Coffee Hour** in the Social Hall immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service for homemade cookies and Fair Trade Coffee. **Cookie bakers** are Carole Hendrickson, Nancy Fox, and David and Carol Downton. Child-friendly, peanut-free purchased snacks are available for children.

**Fair Trade Coffee is for sale during Coffee Hour today.** Regular, decaf, whole bean, and blends are available. Your purchase supports a living wage for coffee farmers and subsidizes First Pres' commitment to serve Fair Trade Coffee at all church events. More than good coffee, it's "just" coffee. Stop by Coffee Hour today or the Church Office during the week to make your purchase.

**T2A2 Planning Meeting** is in the Founders Room at noon. If you are in your 20s or 30s, please join us as we plan for the month of February. A light lunch will be provided.

#### **Children's Ministry Opportunities:**

**Childcare and Sunday School classes** are held for crib through fifth graders at 9:30 a.m. **Childcare** is available for preschoolers at 11:00 a.m. Worship activity totes and Busy Hands activity baskets are available at the entrances to the Sanctuary for children attending worship at 11:00 a.m.

**Amazing Stuff: God's Gift for Growing Up**, a class for fourth and fifth graders, begins today, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 104. The corresponding class for parents whose children are enrolled in Amazing Stuff meets in the Lewis Room at the same time.

#### **Youth Ministry Opportunities:**

**Munch & Mingle** is at 9:20 a.m. in the 100 level hallway.

**Sunday School classes** meet 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

**Youth Choir** meets 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. in the Choir Room

**Youth Dinner** is 5:30 – 6:00 p.m. in the Founders Room

**Mids** youth group is 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in the Curtis Room.

**Keystones** youth group meets 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. in the Youth Room.

#### **College Ministry Opportunities:**

**Lunch** immediately follows the 11:00 a.m. service. There is no charge for college students. Meet in the Welcome Center.

#### **Adult Education Opportunities:**

**The Bible @ 9:30** meets in the French Room/Library for Bible exploration centered on the Gospel of John. The presenter is Rev. Koster.

**First Couples** meets at 9:30 a.m. in Monteith Hall to explore *the Gnostic Gospels*.

**Exploring the Faith** meets at 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall to begin a new series, "God's Good Creation: Environment, Faith and Earth Care - God's Call for Good Stewardship and Environmental Diagnosis." The presenter is Olivier Jolliet, UM Professor of Environmental Health Sciences and a First Pres elder.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We give thanks to our outgoing officers in the Class of 2015.** Elders are Ruth Barnard, Rick Boothman, David Butz, Dallas Colligan, Kathy Hillig, Carter Hodgson, Bill McPherson, and Dick Rigterink. Deacons are Eleonora

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Charlson, Sheila Deskins, Peggy Fisher, Martha Froseth, Dean Gilchrist, Peggy Hodgson, Lynne Lande, Kristi Lin, Kari Michalowski, Donna Nussdorfer, Jim Peggs, Lori Pickard, Marty Reineman, Pam Rinker, Collyer Smith, and Jackson Turner.

**There's something for everyone at *Wednesday@First!***

5:15 p.m.	Children's Choir
5:20 p.m.	<i>Story Song</i> Preschool Story Time
6:00 p.m.	Dinner and fellowship
7:00 p.m.	Worship in Monteith Hall

**Join us for *Wednesday@First* beginning this Wednesday.** All are invited to this multi-generational, mid-week program January 13 – March 16. Dinner is at 6:00 in the Social Hall. **If you preregister and pay for the semester by tomorrow, January 11, the dinner cost is only \$65 per person. This includes Ash Wednesday dinner. Children five and under eat free.** If you want to pay as you go, the cost is \$7 per meal if payment is received by Monday each week. Otherwise, the cost is \$9 per person. Register on the church website or by contacting the Church Office. This week's menu features roast pork loin, homemade applesauce, and roasted red skin potatoes.

**Struggling with mental illness in your family?** First Pres staff and members facilitate a support group called Restore Hope for family members who have loved ones coping with mental illness. The group meets twice per month. We meet January 12 and 26 this month. We have parents, siblings, children, and extended family members of those with mental illness attending for mutual support, encouragement, and a safe place to talk. For more information, contact Rev. Rogers.

**Hilltoppers** welcome best-selling author and First Pres member Scott Ellsworth to speak on Thursday, January 14, at noon, in the Social Hall. The cost is \$5 for a hot lunch before Scott speaks about his book *The Secret Game: Basketball, Race, and Reconciliation*. Contact the Church Office to sign up. Books may be purchased for \$24 in the Church Office.

**2016 pledge envelopes** are available for pickup outside the Church Office.

**The Deacons' Blood Drive** is this Thursday, January 14, 2:00 – 8:00 p.m., in the Curtis Room. Sign up online at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), at Coffee Hour, or by contacting Gale Redding (276-8426 or [galeredding@gmail.com](mailto:galeredding@gmail.com)).

**Mature Singles** meet for dinner this Friday, January 15, at 5:30 p.m., at Panda House, 229 N. Maple Road. All are welcome.

**Hospital and Rehab Visits.** Please do not assume that the pastors know that you or other church members are in the hospital or home with a lengthy illness. Please call the Church Office at 662-4466 and let us know so that we can pray for and extend a hand in prayer and care.

**Would you like to donate flowers for the Chancel in memory or honor of a loved one?** Many dates in 2016 are available. Contact Lori Wolters ([loriwolters@yahoo.com](mailto:loriwolters@yahoo.com)) or use this link on our website: <https://firstpresbyterian.wufoo.com/forms/giving-flowers-for-a-loved-one>.

**You are invited to participate in *Suds and Sheets*,** a Cass Community mission project. During the month of February donations of laundry detergent and paper towels will be accepted. Look for the donation basket in the Welcome Center.

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**The Annual Meeting of the Congregation** has been called by Session to follow the 9:30 a.m. worship service on January 31, in order to hear committee reports and a presentation on the budget. Members will also be asked to vote on changes to pastors' terms of call. There will not be an 11:00 a.m. worship service that day.

**Everyone is invited to the All-Church Luncheon** following the Annual Meeting of the Congregation on January 31. A delicious lunch prepared by Chef Christine will be held in the Social Hall for \$7 per person with a \$28 maximum per nuclear family. Reservations are encouraged. Please sign up on the church website or call the Church Office.

**The Nicaragua Mission team will meet** next Sunday, January 17, at noon in the French Room. Join us if you are interested in participating in our intergenerational mission trip, April 2 – 10. Contact Carol Smith (psmith6641@aol.com) or Nancy VanderKuyl (nanspan@gmail.com) with questions.

**The Mission Committee invites all to a weekend conference, "Heavenly Calling, Earthly Work: Mission Reimagined,"** January 22 – 24. Rev. Dr. Clifton Kirkpatrick, former Director of the Global Mission Ministry Unit and Stated Clerk of the PCUSA, will be our facilitator and preacher. Dr. Kirkpatrick currently is Professor of World Christianity and Ecumenical Studies at Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. More information is available on our website.

**The Philippines Mission Team** is sponsoring a soup and salad lunch (\$8) Saturday, January 23, at noon, as part of "Heavenly Calling, Earthly Work: Mission Reimagined Conference." Sixteen ounce containers of soup will also be available for sale for \$10.

**Register your child at Triangle Preschool.** The preschool is now accepting applications for 3- and 4-year olds for the 2016 – 2017 school year. First Pres members receive priority enrollment status for applications submitted prior to February 1. There is an Open House Saturday, February 6, 10:00 a.m. – noon, for prospective families to tour the school, meet the teachers and Triangle families, and have questions answered. Light refreshments and children's activities will be offered. To receive an application, call 761-7688 or visit [www.trianglecoop.org](http://www.trianglecoop.org).

**The 2016 Rotating Shelter** continues in our Social Hall this week. Homeless men from the Washtenaw Shelter Association are sleeping in our building from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. Thanks to the many volunteers who are giving of their time, talents, and energy to make this happen.

**Are you interested in a Pilgrimage to Iona in May 2016?** First Pres is planning a pilgrimage to the Isle of Iona, Scotland, May 12 – 22, 2016. Iona is both a tiny island and an ecumenical Christian community located off the west coast of Scotland. Christians have been gathering there for centuries to explore Christian community, prayer and worship. An Iona pilgrimage is a self-funded spiritual journey. Contact Resident Minister Daniel Ervin for more information.

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**Presbyterian Women Opportunities for Wednesday, January 20:**

**Bible Study** is at 9:30 a.m. in the Lewis Room. Facilitators Katie Beery and Jane Myers will lead a discussion of Lesson 6. **Program** is at 10:45 a.m. in Monteith Hall. A short documentary, *Locked in a Box*, will be shown after which Martha Krehbiel will lead a discussion on efforts to help Central American refugees. **Lunch (\$7)** is at noon in the Social Hall. Contact the Church Office to sign up for lunch.

**Presbyterian Women Reading Group** is Wednesday, January 27, at 1:00 p.m., at the home of Martha Krehbiel.

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**PASTORAL AND PROGRAM STAFF**

Reverend Dr. Fairfax F. Fair, Pastor/Head of Staff

Reverend Melissa Anne Rogers, Associate Pastor

Reverend Jay Sanderford, Associate Pastor

Reverend Dr. James Monnett, Director of Youth Ministry

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Daniel Ervin

Reverend Angela Ryo

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