

### Cantor sings from Psalm 103:

It is God who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion.

The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
God does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repay us according to our faults.

As a Father has compassion for his children,  
the Lord has pity on those who fear him;  
for God knows of what we are made,  
God remembers that we are dust.

*You are invited to remain after the service as long as you desire for continued personal meditation and prayer.  
Please leave in silence.*



**This service is sponsored by** Campus Chapel (Christian Reformed), First Presbyterian, Taiwanese Presbyterian, Vineyard, and Young Life College campus ministries and congregations for the spiritual enrichment of our members and friends from the community. We thank the readers, musicians, liturgists, and ministers from the sponsoring congregations who will lead us during tonight's service.

**The offering this evening** will be given to Friends In Deed.

## Worship Participants

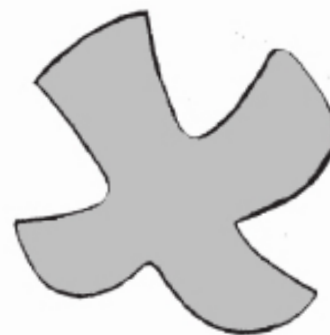
### Musicians:

Cantor  
Kelly Krohn  
Instrumentalists  
Kim Hubers  
Tim Krohn  
Carol Muehlig  
Linda Speck

### Worship Leaders:

Rev. Dr. Fairfax F. Fair, First Presbyterian Church  
Rev. Matthew Ackerman, Campus Chapel  
Rev. Emily Béghin, First Presbyterian Church  
Julius Buzzard, Vineyard Church, Ann Arbor  
Daniel Ervin, Resident Minister, First Presbyterian Church  
LaTricia Mitchell, Vineyard Church  
Tucker Rossmassler, Young Life College  
Rev. Angela Ryo, First Presbyterian Church  
Rev. Jay Sanderford, First Presbyterian Church  
Rev. Ho-Tek Tan, Taiwanese Presbyterian Church  
Rev. Donnell Wyche, Vineyard Church

**Greeters** are Lois Jelneck and Sara Vander Voort. **Ushers** are Paul Smith (captain), Nicole Jolliet, Beth Sanderford, Carol Smith, and Angela Yang.



## Taizé for Ash Wednesday

**February 10, 2016**

**7:30 p.m.**

**First Presbyterian Church, Ann Arbor**

**Welcome** in the name of Christ to this twenty-fourth annual meditative worship to begin our Lenten Journey. The service is inspired by the Ecumenical Community of Taizé, France, which strives to be a 'parable of reconciliation and community' for the world by bringing people from various Christian traditions together through work, worship and prayer.

Be reconciled all you who enter here:  
Men and women,  
neighbors and strangers,  
believers and those who cannot believe,  
Christians and followers of other faiths.

We hope, that by our joining together as people from various churches and denominations for this Lenten worship, this spirit of reconciliation will be experienced and spread throughout our city and world.

### What will happen during tonight's service:

The forty days of Lent are a reminder and a celebration of God's love and forgiveness. Assured of God's forgiveness, we examine our lives, confess our sins, and rejoice in God's grace. The movement of the service is meant to foster this experience. We begin in a quiet mood of reflection, self-examination and confession as we move toward coming down the aisle of the church for the imposition of ashes. Then we enter a time of silence to ponder our relationship with God or simply to rest in God's Presence.

As we come out of the silence, the mood gradually changes. We hear scriptures and prayer that move us to a joyous "Sanctus" and into celebrating Holy Communion. We come down the aisle a second time to participate in the Bread and the Cup, signs and symbols of God's gracious acceptance. We leave, blessing the Lord for such a wondrous salvation.

We pray that during this simple service of scripture, prayer, silence, meditative singing of Taizé music, imposition of ashes and Holy Communion, you will become more aware of the Presence of the Living God in your life.

### About Taizé Music:

*from Praying Together in Word and Song*

"We have endeavored to make our prayer meditative, popular, accessible to all generations and as universal as possible... Sung prayer remains one of the strongest expressions of our search for God. Simple words, sung over and over, underscore the meditative quality of prayer; they express a basic truth which the mind quickly grasps and, as they are repeated, gradually penetrate the heart. In this way they lead to silence and resting in the Presence of God."

Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in **bold type**.

#### The order for each song is:

1. **Instruments** play song;
2. **Soloist** sings song;
3. **Congregation** sings song several times.

Please turn off all cell phones.

# We Gather in the Presence of God

INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

OPENING WORDS AND GREETING

Rev. Dr. Fairfax F. Fair

HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Joel 2:1, 15, 16, 12-14

Tucker Rossmassler

MEDITATIVE SINGING

**Domine Deus (Lord God, Son of the Father, Have Mercy on Us)**

*The cantor sings while the congregation is singing.*

**Congregation sings:**

Do - mi - ne De - us, Fi - li - us Pa - tris, mi - se - re - re no - bis.

(hum)

*p* *mf*

**Cantor sings from Psalm 130:**

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.  
 Lord, hear my voice!  
 O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading.  
 If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,  
 Lord, who would survive?  
 But with you is found forgiveness:  
 for this we revere you.



## Dona Nobis Pacem, Domine (Grant Us Peace, Lord)

*Cantor sings while the congregation is singing.*

**Congregation sings:**

Do - na no - bis pa - cem Do - mi - ne.

*mp*

**Cantor sings:**

*Ephesians 2:14-17*

Christ is our peace, making us one.  
 In his person he destroyed hostility.  
 He came and preached  
 the good news of peace.

*John 14:27*

Peace I leave with you, says the Lord,  
 My peace I give you.  
 Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.  
 I will be with you always.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## We Go Out Into the World

SENDING OUT Isaiah 58:5-11

One: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSE-MEDITATIVE SINGING

**Bless the Lord, My Soul**

*The Cantor sings while the congregation is singing.*

**Congregation sings:**

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

*p*

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

*p*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**Bread and Cup**

The bread is broken and the grape juice poured in silence, so you will want to watch this aspect of Holy Communion. Perhaps the words from your own tradition will come to mind. Please come down the center aisle and return by the side aisles as you did for the imposition of ashes. As you receive the wafer and dip it in the cup, please take time to ponder the meaning of this sacrament for you. Gluten-free wafers are located in the center cup on each wafer tray. If you are unable to come forward, you will be served where you are seated.

**MEDITATIVE SINGING DURING HOLY COMMUNION**

**Eat this Bread**

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and nev-er be hun-gry.

Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

**Come and Fill Our Hearts**

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You a-lone, O Lord, are ho-ly.  
Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no quo - ni - am bo - nus.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Con - fi - te - mi - ni Do - mi - no. Al - le - lu - ia!

*🌿* We Meditate on God's Word *🌿*

**LENTEN GREETING**

Daniel Ervin

**EPISTLE READING**

II Corinthians 5:17-6:2

Julius Buzzard

**RESPONSE-MEDITATIVE SINGING**

**O Christe Domine Jesu (O Christ, Lord Jesus)**

O Chris-te Do-mi-ne Je-su, O Chris-te Do-mi-ne Je-su! O

**GOSPEL READING**

Matthew 6:1-4, 16-21

Rev. Matt Ackerman

**RESPONSE-MEDITATIVE SINGING**

**O Christe Domine Jesu**

*The cantor sings while the congregation is singing.*

**Cantor sings Psalm 25.**

To you, Lord, I lift up my soul.  
I trust you; do not disappoint me.  
Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth and teach me:  
for you are God, my Savior.

**IMPOSITION OF ASHES**

*You are invited to come forward down the center aisle to the station in your section and return by the side aisles.*

**Invitation**

**Prayer**

**HYMN**

*Sign Us with Ashes*

PHOENIX

*Please remain seated to sing the refrain when indicated.*

Sign us with ash - es, mer - ci - ful God, chil - dren of  
dust, as to dust we re - turn. Sign us with ash - es,  
mer - ci - ful God. Mark us and make us your own.



MEDITATIVE SINGING

Salvator Mundi, Salva Nos (Savior of the world, save us)

Sal - va - tor mun - di sal - va nos. Sal - va - tor mun - di  
sal - va nos. Sal - va nos, sal - va nos. Sal - va - tor mun - di sal - va nos.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

O Poverty, Source of Riches

“You know the grace of our Lord Jesus, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.”

*II Corinthians 8:9*

MEDITATIVE SINGING

Jesus, Remember Me

Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your King - dom.  
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READING OF PSALM 51

Rev. Jay Sanderford

SILENCE

*A time for reflection on our lives and for relaxing into the grace of God concluded with meditative singing.*

MEDITATIVE SINGING

O Lord, Hear My Prayer

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer:  
when I call an - swer me. O Lord, hear my prayer, O  
Lord, hear my prayer. Come and lis - ten to me. O

We Celebrate Holy Communion

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Rev. Dr. Fairfax F. Fair  
Rev. Donnell Wyche

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you

All: **And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of Hosts

*The cantor sings Sanctus while the congregation is singing.*

Congregation sings:

San - ctus, San - ctus, San - ctus Do - mi - nus De - us  
Sa - ba - oth, De - us Sa - ba - oth.

Cantor sings:

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.