MAY 26, 2019 FAMILY SUNDAY THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

So Gathering Solution

PRELUDE

(8:00) How Deep the Father's Love for Us;

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Stuart Townend

(9:30/11:00) My Jesus, I Love Thee Lani Smith

Meditation on "Crusader Hymn" Gordon Young

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. Koenig-Reinke (8:00)

Rev. Sanderford (9:30/11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Buckley (9:30/11:00)

One: May God be gracious to us, and bless us, and cover us with the radiance of grace.

All: May your way be known everywhere, God:

in the hidden places of our hearts; in the comfort of our homes; in every corner of our world; in the farthest reaches of creation.

One: You transform us; you heal our lives; you renew the earth and every creature:

All: Let our praise for you shake the rafters with songs of joy!

* **HYMN 331** God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God who is with us everywhere and always, forgive us when we fail to respond to your call with faith. Heal us when we are shackled by our narrow understandings of discipleship and our clouded sense of purpose. Reassure us when we are frightened of the future or pull back from the demands of your calling. Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past, to acknowledge your grace in the present moment, and to trust you for our future. Through your Spirit we offer ourselves to you. Touch us now with your Spirit, Lord. Touch us now with your Spirit.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S 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

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord; we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord, and we pray that all unity may one day be restored: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

This is Hymn 300.

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Michele Derr (8:00) Jack German (9:30) Mary McKeever (11:00)

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Acts 16:9–15

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

ANTHEM (9:30/11:00) God Be in My Head

John Rutter

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (9:30)

GOSPEL READING John 14:23–29

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

SERMON Rev. Rogers

* HYMN 683 Lord of All Hopefulness SLANE

This hymn will be sung to the tune of Be Thou My Vision.

WELCOME

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

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

(8:00) Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart arr. P. Clark (9:30/11:00) Beautiful Savior! Lloyd Larson

* 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

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION (8:00)

See Communion Card.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord's Prayer Albert Hay Malotte The Lord's Prayer will be sung by soloist Kristin Clark. The congregation will pray it silently as she sings.

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* **HYMN 339** Lift Every Voice and Sing Lift every voice Please sing stanzas 1–2.

* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, thou who hast brought us thus far on the way; thou who hast by thy might led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee; lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee; shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand, true to our God, true to our native land.

* POSTLUDE

(8:00) Why Do Nations Rage Together arr. P. Clark (9:30/11:00) Postlude on "Ebenezer" Gordon Young (Once to Every Man and Nation)

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^{*} Please rise in body or spirit.

Those parts of the service of worship in which the congregation participates in word or song are noted in **bold type**. Hearing-assistance devices and large-print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.

The Call to Worship is based on Psalm 67 and is from *The World Is Our Home* written by John A. Nelson and posted on the United Church of Christ's Worship Ways Archive (http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways/). **The Prayer of Confession** is adapted from *Prayers and Readings for Worship*, Volume 2, Peter Judd, ed. (Herald Publishing House, 1996).

Musical leadership is provided by Phillip Clark, organ, Director of Choral Activity and Recruiting at Adrian College, and Chancel Choir (9:30/11:00). **Crucifer** is Marcey Terrien.

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. If you have questions, please visit the Welcome Center, just outside the Social Hall. Greeting you there today are Kyle and Jim Hall (9:30) and Peggy Hodgson (11:00). The Church Office is staffed by Robin Agnew. Greeters are Nancy Oliver and Catherine Kendall (9:30) and Linda Lampman (11:00). Sound system operators are Rol Kibler (9:30) and Barry Leonard (11:00). Ushers are Bill Austin (head) and Jean Song (8:00); Bill Austin (head), Joe Schmidt (captain), Karla and Omer Bellfi, Beth Sanderford, Clem Gill, Keith Molin, Keith and Sheila Bilby, and Spaulding Clark (9:30); and Bill Austin (head), Carter Hodgson (captain), Peggy Hodgson, Karen and Joe Cox, and Jeanette and Barry Swartz (11:00). The prayer team is available for those desiring prayer in Hillegonds Chapel, to the right of the Chancel in the Sanctuary, after the 9:30 and 11:00 services. Prayer team members are Nancy Fox and Nancy Oliver (9:30) and Linda Lampman and Cyndy Colton (11:00). Following the 8:00 service a minister is available for prayer at the Communion Table. "Faith and prayer are the vitamins of the soul; man cannot live in health without them." - Mahalia Jackson

Chancel flowers are given in loving memory of Jerry Prescott by his family; and in loving memory of Ruth and Paul McCracken by their children.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Worship is at 8:00 in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. **Radio Worship is broadcast at 11:00 a.m.**, on WAAM (1600 AM) and on the web (www.waamradio.com).

Join us for Coffee Hour in the Social Hall immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Cookie bakers are Jennifer Stahl and Carol Downton. Child-friendly, peanut-free purchased snacks are available for children. The Veterans Group of First Pres is sponsoring Coffee Hour in remembrance of veterans who have died. A slide show will honor veterans who are former members of our church, friends, or relatives of church members. All are invited to a short remembrance ceremony led by Rev. Eldon Beery in the Memorial Garden at 12:15 p.m.

Children's Ministry Opportunities:

Today is Family Worship. Childcare is available for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship activity totes and Busy Hands activity baskets are available at the entrances to the Sanctuary for children attending worship.

Youth Ministry Opportunities:

Today is Family Worship. Christian education classes do not meet. All youth are invited to join in worship today, sitting either with your family or with Youth Staff in the balcony.

Adult Education Opportunities:

The Bible @ 9:30 does not meet today. Join us next Sunday for our last class until fall.

First Friends, a fellowship group that meets in Monteith Hall at 9:30 a.m., welcomes all to discuss a variety of topics from books, DVDs, and speakers.

Exploring the Faith meets at 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall for a series on interfaith traditions. Today's focus is on Hinduism, a religion practiced by nearly one billion people throughout the world. Presenters are the leader of the local Chinmaya Mission and one of their members. They will talk about the basics of the faith, what it means to be a Hindu, issues currently facing the Hindu community, and what compassion means in their tradition. There will be time for questions.

20s and 30s (T2A2) Small Group meets at 7:00 p.m. many Sundays this summer to read the biblical books of Esther and Ruth. Bring your questions and insights, wherever you are on your faith journey! We invite all in their 20s and 30s to come and build community with us. For more information about this and other T2A2 opportunities, contact Rev. Piatt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communion Food Collection is next Sunday, June 2. As we are fed at the Lord's Table, we also come to feed others and lend support to those in need. Please bring food donations and/or financial contributions for Food Gatherers of Ann Arbor.

First Pres hosts our first Resident Ministry Alumni Gathering next weekend. Saturday, June 1 features a Resident Ministry Continental Breakfast with presentations by former Residents, the Revs. Angela Ryo and Evans McGowan. Sunday, June 2 features the Revs. Lindsay Conrad and Nancy Benson Nicole as our keynote preachers for all worship services. A special Coffee Hour reception will highlight the contributions of our Resident Ministers to First Pres and point to their influence in the PC(USA). First Pres welcomes our tenth cohort of Residents in August 2019.

Don't forget to sign up online or with Beca Torres Davenport for Summer Vacation Bible School — "Marketplace 29 A.D." VBS will be held this year June 18, 19, and 20, 9:30 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Youth and adult volunteers are welcome!

An invitation to belong — why not make First Pres your official church home? The next new member class will be held on Tuesdays, June 4 and 11, 7:00–8:30 p.m., in the Lewis Room. Snacks and coffee will be provided. Joining takes place on Sunday, June 16, at the 8:00 a.m. new member breakfast and during the 9:30 a.m. worship service. If you are interested in joining, please contact Rev. Rogers (355-2351 or mrogers@ firstpresbyterian.org).

College Students! UKirk@UMich Campus Ministry Opportunities: Regular gatherings for Campus Ministry are now on summer break. Please contact us (campus@firstpresbyterian.org) if you are around to grab coffee or lunch sometime, to volunteer with a local organization, or to just say hi!

It's time to pack books and supplies to send to the Philippines and volunteers are needed to help. Boxes for elementary age will be packed in Rezmierskis' garage (1050 Elmwood Drive, Ann Arbor) from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 27 and Friday, June 28. Boxes for middle and high school age recipients will be packed in Brouwers' barn (7201 Webster Station Drive, Dexter) from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., on Saturday, June 29, and after church on Sunday, June 30, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. There are jobs for everyone, sorting, counting, or packing, sitting or standing, for a short while or for all four days.

Celebrate Pentecost Sunday on Sunday, June 9, by wearing red.

The Pentecost Offering will be accepted at all services as well as online. This annual PCUSA offering supports the needs of children at risk as well as youth ministries including Youth Adult Volunteers (YAV). Forty percent of the offering will be retained to support a Youth Ministry Scholarship Fund at First Pres. This special fund enables all young people, regardless of need or circumstance, to participate in the conferences, retreats, projects and adventures that are the foundation of faith formation. Your generous gifts will provide a path for the young people of First Pres, from middle school to college, to have opportunities for deep and transforming moments among peers, caring adults and in communities of welcome, support and acceptance.

Mature Singles meet tomorrow, Monday, May 27, at Lillie Park South (4365 Platt Road), at 1:00 p.m., for their annual Memorial Day picnic. Contact Marcy Toon (995-2519) for more information. **Mature Singles** gather this Friday, May 31, at Knight's Restaurant, 324 Dexter Avenue, at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Sign up now for our annual All-Church Picnic. There will be fun for all ages. The picnic is Sunday June 9, following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Enjoy Satchel's BBQ, the smooth jazz sounds of the Paul Keller Jazz Quintet, inflatables, fellowship, and fun! Cost is \$10 per person if you pay by Friday, June 7, or \$12 per person if you pay at the event (maximum \$50 per nuclear family). Children 5 and under are free. Sign up online or in the Church Office.

Join our next 24-hour Silent Retreat at St. Augustine's House in Oxford July 19–20. Cost is \$50 and space is limited. Contact Rev. Annette Fraser, retreat leader, at nnttfraser@gmail.com.

First Presbyterian's Troop 7 is holding a cookout next Sunday, June 2, 3:00–5:00 p.m., at VFW Post 423 at 3230 S. Wagner Road. In thanks for your support, we invite all members of the congregation, Troop Alumni, Eagle Scouts, and former scouts to join us. If you know of any youth ages 11–17 who may be interested in more information about Scouting please visit https://troop7annarbor.org or email scott.strodtman@comcast.net.

Please contact the Church Office to:

- order a First Pres name tag. Cost is \$9 for either clip or magnet style.
- · request a baptism.
- inform us of any changes to your basic contact information.
- let us know if you are hospitalized.
- support our Fair Trade mission project by purchasing a bag of Fair Trade coffee for use at home. Cost is \$12.
- sign up to sponsor Chancel Flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one. Cost is \$50.
- apply for a security device (fob). Cost is \$10.

Summer Building and Office Hours begin May 31.

The Church Office will close at 4:00 p.m. on Fridays, May 31 – August 30.

Fob holders may enter the building at the following times. If you need access to First Pres outside the times listed, please contact the Church Office.

Monday – Friday 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Saturday 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Non-fob holders may be buzzed into the building Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

On Sundays the building is unlocked 7:15 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. No fob is needed. The doors may be locked earlier on a Sunday, especially in the summer. Fobs will not allow access to the building as the alarm will be set. On holidays such as Memorial Day, Labor Day, and Fourth of July, fobs will not allow access to the building as the alarm will be set.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Robin Agnew, Administrative Assistant

Reverend Blair Buckley, Resident Minister

Dr. Kristin Clark, Interim Music Director

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Reverend Melissa Anne Rogers, Associate Pastor

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