
* **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**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

 **Proclaiming** 

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rudi Ansbacher (8:00)

Jill Baumhover (9:30)

Gary Stahl (11:00)

FIRST READING Galatians 1:1-12

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

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (9:30/11:00)

Children through grade five are invited forward.

SECOND READING 1 Kings 18:20-21, 30-39

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ANTHEM (9:30/11:00) Chorus from *Elijah* Felix Mendelssohn

Elijah: "O Thou, who makes thine angels spirits; Thou, whose ministers are flaming fires: Let them now descend!"

People: "The fire descends from heaven! The flames consume his offering! Before Him upon your faces fall! The Lord is God. O Israel, hear! Our God is one Lord; and we will have no other Gods before the Lord."

Elijah: "Take all the prophets of Baal, and let not one of them escape you. Bring them down to Kishon's brooks; and there let them be slain."

People: "Take all the prophets of Baal, and let not one of them escape us; bring all, and slay them!"

SERMON

Rev. Ryo (8:00)

Rev. Dr. Fair (9:30/11:00)

 Responding 

* **HYMN 483** *Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above*

MIT FREUDEN ZART

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Monnett (9:30/11:00)

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

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory *Cast Thy Burden Upon the Lord* Felix Mendelssohn
from *Elijah*

Cast thy burden upon the Lord; and He shall sustain thee:
He never will suffer the righteous to fall; He is at thy right hand.
Thy mercy, Lord, is great, and far above the heavens.
Let none be made ashamed that wait upon Thee!

* **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

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 262** (Stanzas 1-3)

God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

NATIONAL HYMN

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.**

* **POSTLUDE** In memoriam: Music to Honor Those Who Have
Given Their Lives for Their Country

* 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 (in the Sanctuary) and large-print bulletins and hymnals are available from the ushers.

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 are Nancy Pflasterer and Ross Anderson. **Church Office volunteers** are Martha Petroski and Sarah Krein. **Greeters** are Charlotte Anderson for the 9:30 a.m. service, and Marilyn Gibson for the 11:00 a.m. service.

Ushers are Bill Austin (head) and Marty Reineman at 8:00 a.m.; Bill Austin (head), Len Rezmierski (captain), Joe Schmidt, Marolin Bellefleur, Chris Queen, Jennifer Wilson, Omer Bellfi, Karla Olson-Bellfi, Beth Sanderford, Dean Gilchrist, Bill Parker and Katie Parker at 9:30 a.m.; and Bill Austin (head), Carter Hodgson (captain), Cindy Address, Karen Cox, Joe Cox, Jeanette Swartz, and Barry Swartz 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 Jeanette Kibler and Nancy Fox following the 9:30 a.m. service and Marolin Bellefleur and Gail Grady following the 11:00 a.m. service. After the 8:00 a.m. service a minister is available at the Communion Table for prayer. "He who has learned to pray has learned the greatest secret of a holy and happy life."

– William Law

Musical leadership is provided by Paolo Debuque, soloist, and the Chancel Choir.

The chancel flowers are given in honor of the Leslie family – Richard, Dale, and Graham – for their three generations of service in the US Armed Forces; and in loving memory of Ralph and Joan Banfield by their daughters Barbara Brewster and Rebecca Gaffney and their families.

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.

Join us for Coffee Hour in the Social Hall immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. **Cookie bakers** are Cindy Andress, Ozora McCarthy, and Melissa Anne Rogers. The First Pres Veterans Group 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 Sunday. Childcare is available at 9:30 a.m. for crib through kindergarteners. At 11:00 a.m., childcare is available for crib through young five-year-olds. Worship activity totes and Busy Hands activity baskets are available at the entrances to the Sanctuary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The church is closed tomorrow, Monday, May 30, in observation of Memorial Day.

Communion Food Collection is next Sunday. 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 or financial contributions for Food Gatherers of Ann Arbor.

Next Sunday, June 5, we will welcome as guest preacher the Reverend Dr. John Buchanan, pastor emeritus of Fourth Presbyterian Church, Chicago, and former moderator of the PCUSA. Dr. Buchanan will be with us in celebration of our Legacy Gifts Weekend.

Another opportunity on Legacy Gifts Weekend is "Estate Planning: Estates, Bequests and Planned Giving" at 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall. All are invited to join First Pres members Ron and Diana Gardner to explore how gifts, planned gifts, and bequests can play an instrumental role in estate planning for your family.

All are invited to the Israel Palestine Study Retreat next Saturday, June 4, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., in Monteith Hall. The retreat will focus on our partnership with the Hand in Hand Center for Jewish-Arab Education in Israel. The presenter is Kathi Neubert who served as Peacemaking Associate in Jerusalem. She will share her first-hand experiences about this approach to education in Israel. A light lunch will be served. Sign up online or by contacting the Church Office.

All are invited to attend the Habitat House of Faith Dedication / Lois Nissly Recognition Day, Sunday, June 12, at 3:00 p.m. The most important day of the Habitat Project is the Dedication Ceremony when the new homeowners share their journey to homeownership. This year's ceremony is doubly meaningful, as we will also recognize Lois Nissly's contributions to Habitat and, especially, the House of Faith. Come early to meet the Riggs Family and tour their house at 1222 Clarita Street, Ypsilanti.

Mature Singles meet tomorrow, Monday, May 30, at 1:00 p.m., at Lillie Park, 4365 Platt Road, for their annual Memorial Day picnic. All are welcome to the picnic and to the weekly dinner this Friday, June 3, at Olive Garden, 445 E. Eisenhower Parkway.

Adopt a garden bed. Help is needed to maintain our lovely church grounds which have been organized by the Green Thumbers into zones. Some zones require annual planting while others require trash monitoring and raking only. Contact Kathy Clark (kclarkscio@comcast.net) or Kathy Sample (846-4080) if you are interested.

Have you participated in the 2016 Youth Ministry Survey? The Youth Ministry Overview Task Force is gathering feedback on youth ministries at First Pres from students, parents, and other interested individuals. Please fill out the survey found online or pick up a printed copy from the Church Office.

"A Celebration of Life Through Song" will be offered by members of our Chancel Choir on July 10 at 4:00 p.m in the Sanctuary. The choir presents this program in memory of Marcia Van Tuyl, who died March 24, 2016, and prayers of gratitude and thanksgiving will be offered for her beautiful life and peaceful death. All are welcome.

Help welcome refugees to Ann Arbor. As a response to the refugee resettlement crisis, First Pres will join with Westminster Presbyterian from Memorial Day to July 4 to collect household items through Jewish Family Services (JFS). New or used kitchen and household items in good, clean condition are acceptable. There will be boxes to collect these items in the Welcome Center and in the hallway outside the Church Office. Gift cards should be brought to the Church Office.

- Kitchen items (pots & pans, utensils, dishes, tableware)
- Personal items (toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, soap)
- School supplies (notebooks, paper, pens & pencils, backpacks)
- Household items (linens, cleaning supplies, alarm clocks)
- Gift cards from major stores such as Meijer, Kroger or Target

Please contact Carol Fletcher (cefletch@umich.edu) or Rev. Sanderford for more information.

Memorial Notices by email are available. If you would like to receive notices related to deaths of First Pres members and upcoming memorial services, please send your name and email address to Rev. Rogers.

Please contact the Church Office to:

- order a First Pres name tag (\$8 for either a magnetic or clip style);
- request to have your child baptized;
- inform us of any changes to your basic contact information;
- let us know if you are hospitalized; and
- purchase a bag of Fair Trade coffee for use at home.

Summer building hours: May 23 – September 5, 2016

- Mondays – Thursdays 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Fridays and Saturdays 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- Sundays 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Summer worship schedule changes:

- 11:00 a.m. service is in Monteith Hall June 19 – September 4
- 9:30 a.m. service is outdoors July 3 – 31

Mark your calendars for these summer opportunities:

- Israel Palestine Mission Team Retreat Saturday, June 4
- Guest Preacher Rev. John Buchanan Sunday, June 5
- All-Church Picnic Sunday, June 12
- Vacation Bible School June 21 – 23
- “A Celebration of Life Through Song” Sunday, July 10
- Camp Westminster (2nd – 8th graders) July 31 – August 6
- First Pres’ 190th Anniversary Celebration Sunday, August 21

Go online or contact the Church Office for more information and to register for these events.

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Reverend Jay Sanderford, Associate Pastor

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