



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Ann Arbor | Michigan

JUNE 3, 2018

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

🌿 Gathering 🌿

PRELUDE *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past* Paul Manz

LIFE IN THE CHURCH Rev. Koenig-Reinke

FAITH IN ACTION Legacy Partners Bill Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: What we preach is not ourselves,
but Jesus Christ, our Redeemer.

**All: It is the God who said, “Let light shine out of darkness,”
who shines in our hearts.**

One: Living in the light of Christ, let us give God the glory.

All: Let us worship God in word and deed.

Let us sing praises to our Lord and King!

* **HYMN 479** *Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven* LAUDA ANIMA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you are kind and forgiving, slow to anger and quick to show us your love. We are wary and legalistic, quick to point fingers of blame and to ascribe evil intent. Through your Son Jesus, you show us how we are to live. We respond by finding fault with his example. Forgive us and turn us to you. Open our eyes to your better way and help us live in the grace you offer us.

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

**Hear the good news of salvation:
Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy!
Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love You!
Jesus Christ, You save from sin!
How I love You! Look upon me.
Love me still and cleanse within.**

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 **Proclaiming** 

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nancy Fox (8:00)
Al Powell (9:30)
Mary McKeever (11:00)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 139:1–6, 13–18

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

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (9:30)

Children through grade five are invited forward.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Mark 2:23–3:6

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SERMON

Rev. Buckley (8:00)
Rev. Dr. Fair (9:30/11:00)

 **Responding** 

* **HYMN 210**

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

WELCOME

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

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

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBERS (9:30)

Elder Marita Servais

Joining the church today are Leanne Cole, Barbara Dobson, Harmony Heath, Ann Hunsberger, Laura Lamps, Callie Rouse, and Julija Stelmokas. Also being introduced today is Tom Venable, who joined in March.

Hymn of Welcome *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

DENNIS

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory (9:30/11:00) *The Narrow Way*

K. Lee Scott

Be near me, Lord, where'er I go;
Teach me what you would have me do;
Direct what'er I think or say;
And lead me in the narrow way.

Prevent me, lest I harbor pride,
Lest I in my own strength confide;
Show me my weakness, let me see
I have my pow'r, my all in thee.

Assist and teach me how to pray;
Incline my nature to obey;
What you abhor, oh, let me flee,
And only love what pleases thee.

(John Cennick, 1718-55)

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

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.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power— and might,
Bless-ed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
heaven and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high-est.
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high-est.

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.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

At 9:30 the elements will be passed. At 11:00 please come forward to receive the elements by intinction. Those unable to come forward will be served in their place. Communion cups contain only non-alcoholic grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are located in the center cup on each wafer tray.

Prayer After Communion

Sending

* **HYMN 514** *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* Linstead
*As the congregation stands to sing, please bring your offering of food forward.
Monetary donations may be put in the special communion envelope and
placed in the baskets.*

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing;
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, Thy love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us,
Traveling through this wilderness.**

* **POSTLUDE**

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Hearing-assistance devices 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 is online at www.firstpresbyterian.org. If you have questions, please visit the **Welcome Center**, just outside the Social Hall. Greeting you there today are Barbara Mueller and Mary Ann Pierce. **The Church Office** is staffed by Sarah Krein. **Greeters** are Barb Carlisle and Gary Oliver (9:30) and Pat Gilbreath and Karen Mundus (11:00). **Sound system volunteer** is Bryan Magnuson. **Ushers** are Bill Austin (head) and Marty Reineman at 8:00; Bill Austin (head), Paul Smith (captain), Sandy Herold, Sabina Wilkanowicz, and Angela Yang (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 Hillemonds 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 Susan Sweet Scott (9:30) and Brad Taylor (11:00). Following the 8:00 service a minister is available for prayer at the Communion Table. "We have to pray with our eyes on God, not on the difficulties." – Oswald Chambers

Chancel flowers are given in honor of our Prayer Team volunteers who serve all who seek prayer following the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services. Please contact Rev. Rogers if you would like to serve as a Prayer Team member.

The red rosebud celebrates the birth of William Becker Carlisle, son of Amanda and Ben Carlisle, born May 26, 2018. Grandparents are Barb and Dick Carlisle. Aunt is Megan Carlisle.

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).

Communion Food Offering is today. As we come to the Lord's Table to be fed and nurtured in our faith, we also come to feed others and lend support to those in need. Today's financial contributions and food donations are for the Washtenaw Community College Food Bank.

Join us for Coffee Hour in the Social Hall immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. **Cookie bakers** are Elsa Stuber, Lynn Millward, and Kam DeLano. **Fair Trade Coffee** is for sale today and every business day in the Church Office. Your purchase supports a living wage for coffee farmers and subsidizes First Pres' commitment to serving Fair Trade Coffee at all church events.

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.

Youth Ministry Opportunities:

All-Youth Munch & Mingle is in the Youth Room at 9:20 a.m.

Sunday School classes begin at 9:30 a.m.

All-Youth Dinner is at 5:30 p.m., followed by **Youth Group**, 6:00–7:00 p.m.

Adult Education Opportunities:

The Bible @ 9:30 is engaged in a study of the book of Acts and meets in the French Room/Library. Rev. Ed Koster is the facilitator. All are welcome. This is the last class meeting until fall.

First Friends meet in Monteith Hall at 9:30 a.m. to view and discuss the DVD *Acts: The Acts of the Apostles*. First Friends is a self-directed adult group providing a safe place for people to share concerns and receive Christian support.

Exploring the Faith invites all to meet with the Nicaragua Mission Team at 11:00 a.m., in Monteith Hall. The team will share their experiences and stories from their recent trip to Quebrada Honda. Learn what happens when graduate students and retirees travel together to provide lights and electrical outlets in three classrooms. Learn how partnership and relationships are the foundation of successful mission work in a developing country. Learn how lives can be transformed during and after a trip.

Newer members who joined 2015–2018 are invited to attend a Mission and Vision Task Force Listening Session on Sunday, June 3, at 11:00 a.m. in the Lewis Room. The task force is seeking to gain clarity on the mission and vision of who God is calling us to be at First Pres. We will provide a brief overview of the visioning effort and then listen to your ideas on the future direction of our church. Contact the Church Office if

childcare is needed. For additional information or to submit comments, visit the church website or contact Lucie Audette (laudette125@hotmail.com).

“Gun Violence-Gospel Values” session is at 12:15 p.m., in the Curtis and Founders Rooms. Come for a continued exploration of practical and theological issues related to gun violence and human safety. A light lunch will be served (\$5).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrate Debbie MacVey next Sunday, June 10, at the Church Picnic! Our beloved Director of Children’s Education and Family Ministries is retiring after 27 wonderful years at First Pres. There will be two opportunities to recognize Debbie and say goodbye:

On Sunday, June 10, come to the Church Picnic, enjoy food and fun, and take a minute to write down your favorite Children’s Ed memories or share a message for Debbie. Should you choose, you will also have an opportunity to record a video message to her.

On Sunday, June 24, Debbie’s last day, help us honor her at Coffee Hour with cake and a celebration. If you would like to contribute to a purse for Debbie, please send or drop off checks made out to First Presbyterian Church with Debbie MacVey on the memo line.

Questions? Want to help with the festivities? Contact Karen Mundus (karen.mundus@gmail.com or 734-904-2415).

Sign up now for our annual All-Church Picnic. There will be fun for all ages! The beach-themed picnic is June 10 following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Enjoy Slow’s BBQ from Detroit, the smooth jazz sounds of the Paul Keller Jazz Quintet on the Circle Terrace, and inflatables (including “The Cliffhanger” slide). Cost is \$8 per person if you pay by Friday, June 8 at noon or \$9 per person if you pay at the event (maximum \$40 per nuclear family). Children 5 and under are free. Sign up online or in the Church Office.

Register for Summer Vacation Bible School, open to children from young fives through fifth grade complete, is June 19–21, 9:30 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Middle schoolers, high schoolers, and adults are invited to volunteer. Register online. Questions? Contact Debbie MacVey or Cindy King.

We will have an evacuation drill next Sunday, June 10, following the 9:30 a.m. service. There is no 11:00 a.m. worship service because of the church picnic, and we hope to move everyone quickly and safely outside to enjoy the food and festivities.

Mature Singles meet this Friday, June 8, at Metzger’s German Restaurant, 305 North Zeeb Road, at 5:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Our Campus Ministry, UKirk@UMich, is enjoying a summer break from regular activities. If you are a college or graduate student here this summer, please contact Revs. McGowan or Buckley at campus@firstbresbyterian.org. We would love to be in touch and invite you to special gatherings!

Hilltoppers, a lunch and learn opportunity for those 60 and up, is Thursday, June 14, at noon in the Social Hall. Lunch (\$5) is followed by a presentation on gun violence and injury prevention by Dr. Jim Peggs, a member of Physicians for the Prevention of Gun Violence. He will discuss practical ways that doctors and other health professionals can reduce the risk of gun-violence among their patients, particularly children, depressed patients, and those exposed to intimate partner violence.

Finding joy, meaning, and purpose in a world that is often filled with suffering, doubt, and loneliness is the heart of our 2018 First Pres Summer Book Read. Two accessible books, *Credo* by William Sloan Coffin (\$11) and *The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World* by the Dali Lama and Desmond Tutu (\$17), will be our guides for worship, conversation, and mindful exploration of the contours of a world filled with suffering and the resources of our Christian faith. Books may be purchased online or in the Church Office.

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
- purchase a bag of Fair Trade coffee for use at home

Our summer office and building hours schedule began May 25.

The Church Office may be open at times that the building is locked. You may enter the building at those times by calling the Church Office (662-4466). If there are no scheduled activities, the building may be closed earlier than the times listed.

Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Building Hours:

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Friday 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Sunday 7:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

PASTORAL AND PROGRAM STAFF

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

Reverend Melissa Anne Rogers, Associate Pastor

Reverend Jay Sanderford, Associate Pastor

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