



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

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OCTOBER 2, 2016
FAMILY SUNDAY

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
8:00 and 11:00 a.m.

🌿 Gathering 🌿

PRELUDE (11:00)

Crucifixus
Adagio

G. P. da Palestrina
Johann Christoph Pez

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. Rogers

FAITH IN ACTION

Grace & Gratitude

Carson Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: People of the world, rejoice in the goodness of the Lord!

**All: We come from east and west, from north and south,
to gather at the table of the Lord.**

One: All are invited. Come and be fed!

**All: The goodness of the Lord is from generation to generation.
Thanks be to God!**

* **HYMN 420**

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all nations, God of all peoples, you are good to us beyond all deserving. We admit that we are quick to judge and slow to forgive. We dwell on differences rather than reveling in commonalities. We are more naturally attuned to compete with another than to cooperate. Open our eyes to see one another as integral parts of your beautiful creation, to deal patiently with weakness, and to walk humbly with you. We ask it in Christ's name.

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 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

Jerry Prescott (8:00)

Katie Maugh (11:00)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING 2 Timothy 2:1-2, 8-13

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

SERMON

Rev. Ervin (8:00)

Rev. Dr. Fair (11:00)

 Responding 

* **HYMN 386**

O for a World

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WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Monnett (11:00)

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

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory (11:00) *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether* Harold W. Friedell

Draw us in the Spirit's tether;
For when humbly, in thy name,
Two or three are met together,
Thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluya! Alleluya!
Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather
In the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the Father
Break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluya! Alleluya!
So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living
Make us sacraments of thee,
That by caring, helping, giving,
We may true disciples be.
Alleluya! Alleluya!
We will serve thee faithfully.

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

We are celebrating communion by intinction. Receive a piece of bread and dip in into the non-alcoholic grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are available.

Communion Music (11:00) *The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee*

Jean Berger

The eyes of all wait upon Thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand, and satisfied the desire of every living thing. — Psalm 145:15-16

Prayer After Communion

Sending

* HYMN 276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

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**

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim

Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,

The Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

*** POSTLUDE**

Lift High the Cross

Charles Callahan

* 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 today are Gail Grady and Barbara Mueller.

The Church Office is open this morning 9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Rev. Rogers will be in the office until 10:45. Serving during the 11:00 a.m. hour is Sarah Krein. **Greeters** are Catherine Kendall and John and Dawn Pankopf. **Ushers** are Bill Austin (head) and Michele Derr at 8:00 a.m.; and Bill Austin (head), Ralph Winter (captain), Linda Lampman, Brady West, Jim Douglass, and Jeannette Middleton at 11:00 a.m.

The prayer team is available for those desiring prayer in Hillegonds Chapel, to the right of the piano in the Sanctuary, after the 11:00 a.m. service. Following the 8:00 a.m. service a minister is available for prayer at the Communion Table. Prayer team member is Carol Gottlieb following the 11:00 a.m. service. “Our prayers may be awkward. Our attempts may be feeble. But since the power of prayer is in the One who hears it and not in the one who says it, our prayers do make a difference.” – Max Lucado

We thank the Recorder Ensemble (Linda Speck, director; Nicole Jolliet-Gavin; Diane Knibbs; Ann Ringia; and Bruce Loughry) and the **Chancel Choir** for their worship leadership at the 11:00 a.m. service.

The chancel flowers are given by the Mature Ministries Program in appreciation for the gift of so many wonderful speakers and programs for 2016-17, including the kick-off presentation this Thursday, October 6, and for the leadership and support of our Mature Ministries Steering Committee chaired by Lois Jelneck.

The red rosebud celebrates the birth of Liam James Byrne, August 5, 2016, son of James and Heather Byrne. Grandparents are Earl and Betty Avery.

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 is broadcast at 11:00 a.m.**, on WAAM (1600 AM) and on the web (www.waamradio.com).

A World Communion Family Sunday Happening. Join an event for all ages during Coffee Hour in the Social Hall following the 9:30 a.m. service. Try breads from around the world, learn about and pray for our mission co-workers, discover world hymns, and much more during this time of learning and praying. There will be prizes for children and adults who visit all of the activity stations and receive a stamp on their travel guides.

The Peace and Global Witness special offering, which promotes peace, justice, and reconciliation locally as well as globally, is received today. The Mission Committee has allocated 25% of this offering to support local efforts to resettle young adult refugees in our community.

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. The Detroit Hunger Ministry is the recipient of today's financial contributions and food donations.

Join us for Coffee Hour in the Social Hall immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. **Cookie bakers** are John and Dawn Pankopf, Nancy Fox, and Karen Gardstrom. **Fair Trade Coffee** is for sale during Coffee Hour today. Your purchase supports a living wage for coffee farmers and subsidizes First Pres' commitment to serving Fair Trade Coffee at all church events. More than good coffee, it's "just" coffee.

Children's Ministry Opportunities:

Today is Family Sunday. Childcare is available at 9:30 a.m. for crib through age two and **classes** are held for age three through kindergarten. 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.

Youth Ministry Opportunities:

World Communion Family Sunday Happening is in the Social Hall following the 9:30 a.m. service.

Youth Choir rehearses at 4:15 p.m. in the Choir Room (level 300).

Mids do not meet tonight. **Keystones**, our high school youth group, meet 4:45 – 7:00 p.m. to lead the **Blessing of the Animals** service at 5:00 p.m. Meet at 4:45 p.m. outside on the front steps of the Sanctuary. Bring \$8 for dinner following the service

First Pres College Opportunities:

College students are invited to **First Pres College Lunch** after the 11:00 a.m. service (meet in the Welcome Center) and to **First Pres College** at the UM League, Room 2, Wednesday evenings at 8:00 p.m.

If you are a college student not already plugged into First Pres College, please introduce yourself to Rev. Jim Monnett, Transitional Campus Minister, or to Peer Ministers Lex Allum and Jenna Harms today. If you don't connect today, please email Jim at jmonnett@firstpresbyterian.org.

Adult Education Opportunities:

The Bible @ 9:30 meets in the French Room for Bible exploration centered on the Gospel of Luke. The presenter is Rev. Ed Koster.

First Couples meets in Monteith Hall at 9:30 a.m. to explore *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life* by Richard Rohr.

Common Ground participants are invited to join the World Communion Family Sunday Happening activities in the Social Hall following today's 9:30 a.m. service.

Exploring the Faith welcomes Dr. Reggie L. Williams for two presentations in the series, "Race (Still) Matters." Dr. Williams is Assistant Professor of Christian ethics at McCormick Theological Seminary. He will speak first at 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall on "Moving Toward the Beloved Community" and then in the Curtis Room, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m., on "Seeing Whiteness." A pizza and salad lunch (\$7) will be served.

T2A2 Small Group meets off-site at 7:00 p.m. Whether you are a believer or a seeker, a working professional or a grad student, we invite everyone in their twenties and thirties to come and build community with us as we share meaningful conversations and reflect on the Word together. For more information, please contact Rev. Ryo.

Orchestra rehearses at 2:00 p.m.

Join us for the "Blessing of the Animals," 5:00 – 5:30 p.m., outside on the front lawn. In case of weather cancellation, this service will be rescheduled at a later date. All well-behaved creatures that walk, swim, hop, slither, and fly are welcome. **Gifts of pet food will be donated to Huron Valley Humane Society.** "For every wild animal of the forest belongs to God, the cattle on a thousand hills. God knows all the birds of the air, and all that moves in the field is God's" – Psalm 50:10-11.

First Pres hosts the University of Michigan's Organ Improvisation Competition in our Sanctuary tonight at 7:00 p.m. Three finalists from around the country will compete; they are given two musical themes on which they improvise for 20 minutes. There is no admission fee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join First Pres! The next new member class is Sunday, November 20, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. We prayerfully invite you to consider uniting with our church family in membership. To sign up, contact Rev. Rogers (mrogers@firstpresbyterian.org) or the Church Office.

Stewardship 2017: GRACE & GRATITUDE

Stewardship season, which will culminate on Commitment Sunday, October 23, is underway. During this season we have the opportunity to express our gratitude in response to God's amazing grace. Please prayerfully consider, and act on, the many ways you can help our church fulfill our ministries.

Washtenaw Refugee Welcome holds a Volunteer Orientation and Training Session tomorrow, October 3, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church, 1501 W. Liberty Street. Anyone who has turned in a volunteer form to the First Presbyterian church office and any others interested in volunteering to help with refugee resettlement are encouraged to attend.

Big House Mission Fundraising needs volunteers. Twenty people per home game are needed to raise money for church missions by selling concessions. Come support your favorite church mission and have fun working with a great group of people. This is a six-hour commitment which requires standing. Sign up on the church website.

There is something for everyone at Wednesday@First! Join us this Wednesday, October 5. For the best value, make your dinner reservation today. If you pay today (or by noon tomorrow) the cost is \$7. Price at the door is \$9. This week's menu features Mediterranean chicken.

The Mature Ministries Kick-Off welcomes UM Women's Gymnastics Coach Bev Plocki as our kick-off speaker at 11:00 a.m. in the Social Hall this Thursday, October 6. After lunch (\$10), we welcome Dr. Richard Nisbett, Theodore M. Newcomb Distinguished Professor of social psychology and co-director of the UM Culture and Cognition Program. Reservations are strongly encouraged. Sign up in the Church Office or on our website.

Mature Singles meet this Friday, October 7, 5:30 p.m., at Olive Garden, 445 E. Eisenhower Parkway. All are welcome.

Are you in your 40s or 50s? Single or couple? It's time for an Immature Ministries Party! Join us for a potluck dinner Saturday, October 8, at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Nancy and Bob Crawford. Bring friends! Sign up with Rev. Rogers (mrogers@firsptresbyterian.org) or in the Church Office. We have a "locally-grown foods" theme for this meal.

Saturday Suppers sign-up time ends tonight so please act quickly to join us October 15 for our in-home Saturday Suppers. Register today at Coffee Hour on our our website. If you have questions, contact Sara VanderVoort (saravoort@gmail.com or 662-5350).

The fall meeting of College of Elders is Saturday, October 15, 9:00 – 10:30 a.m., in the Social Hall. If you are a PCUSA teaching or ruling elder, please RSVP to the Church Office by October 10.

The next Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by the Deacons is Thursday, October 20, 1:30 – 7:30 p.m. in Monteith Hall. Please consider donating. Sign up during Coffee Hour or online at www.redcrossblood.org. Contact Barb Brewster (dexter4brews@aol.com; 646-5571) if you have questions.

Volunteers are needed for the First Pres Fall Workday at Cass Community Center in Detroit on Saturday, October 22. Individuals, families, and groups are encouraged to sign up online or by contacting Sue Jeffers (sjeffers1@me.com). We expect to provide assistance for the Tiny Homes project and help in the kitchen. There is work for everyone!

Worship with us on All Saints' Sunday, November 6 when we remember members of our congregation, family, and friends who have died in the past year. Names for the bulletin may be submitted online or in the Church Office until October 24. Chancel Choir, soloists, and orchestra will present the Mozart *Requiem* at 3:00 p.m.

It is not too late to donate chancel flowers this year. Contact Lori Wolters (223-5980; loriwolters@yahoo.com) for more information.

You are invited to learn more about our Resident Minister Program tomorrow, October 3, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m., at Glacier Hills in the Hanson Room.

Youth Ministry Opportunities:

The Pittsburgh Project Mission Trip is November 4 – 6. All high schoolers are invited to go. We have thirteen people signed up already and twelve seats in the van are available. Cost of the trip is \$150. This trip is led by RJ, Lex, and Chris King. See RJ for the paperwork.

The Florida Mission Trip to the Montgomery Presbyterian Center is December 27 – January 2. All high schoolers are invited to go and friends are welcome. See RJ for more information about the cost of the trip.

The Costa Rica Mission Trip is June 18 – 27. See RJ for more information about the cost of the trip.

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