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FEBRUARY 1, 2015
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

🌿 Gathering 🌿

GATHERING MUSIC

O Praise the Lord Our God
Laudate Dominum

Konstantin Zhigulin
Jacques Berthier

Ostinato Refrain

Latin Lau - da - te Do - mi - num, lau - da - te Do - mi - num

om - nes, gen - tes! al - le - lu - ia! al - le - lu - ia!

Translation: Praise the Lord all nations. Alleluia!

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LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Fair

CHORAL PROCESSIONAL

We're Marching Up to Zion

African-American Traditional

CALL TO WORSHIP

* HYMN

Come, We that Love the Lord

MARCHING TO ZION

G D7 G G D

1 Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
 2 Let those re - fuse to sing who nev - er knew our God;
 3 The hill of Zi - on yields a thou - sand sa - cred sweets
 4 Then let our songs a - bound, and ev - ery tear be dry;

G C

join in a song with sweet ac - cord, join
 but chil - dren of the heav - en - ly King, but
 be - fore we reach the heav - en - ly fields, be -
 we're march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground, we're

D A7 D G D

in a song with sweet ac - cord, and thus sur -
 chil - dren of the heav - en - ly King may speak their
 fore we reach the heav - en - ly fields or walk the
 march - ing through Em - man - uel's ground to fair - er

G C G D7 G

round the throne, and thus sur - round the throne.
 joys a - broad, may speak their joys a - broad.
 gold - en streets, or walk the gold - en streets.
 worlds on high, to fair - er worlds on high.

and thus sur-round the
 throne, and thus sur - round the throne.

Refrain D

We're march - ing to Zi - on, beau - ti-ful, beau - ti-ful Zi - on;
 We're march - ing on to Zi - on,

G C G/D D7 G

we're march - ing up - ward to Zi - on, the beau - ti-ful cit - y of God.
 Zi - on, Zi - on,

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love and justice, we long for peace. We long for harmony in our families and for serenity in the midst of struggle. We long for our homes to be a dwelling place for your love, yet we confess that we are often anxious, we do not trust each other, and we harbor violence. We are not willing to take the risks and make the sacrifices that love requires. Look upon us with your grace and show us how to walk in your path.

—adapted from *The Worship Sourcebook*

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 people of God. Greet one another saying, “The peace of Christ be with you,” and respond, “And also with you.”

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Come, we that love the Lord, and let our joys be known;
join in a song with sweet accord, join in a song with sweet accord,
and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne.
We’re marching to Zion, beautiful, beautiful Zion;
we’re marching upward to Zion, the beautiful city of God.**

Proclaiming

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Catherine Kendall (9:30)

Victor Stoeffler (11:00)

OLD TESTAMENT READING Song of Solomon 8:6-7

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Rodawla (9:30)

Rev. Riegel (11:00)

Children through grade five are invited forward to meet with a pastor.

NEW TESTAMENT READING II Corinthians 5:11-6:2

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Righteous Sinner Rev. Dr. M. Craig Barnes

Responding

WELCOME

Rev. Rogers (9:30)

Rev. Dr. Monnett (11:00)

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

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory *Greater Love Hath No Man* John Ireland

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it.

Song of Solomon 8:7

Love is strong as death. Song of Solomon 8:6

Greater love hath no man than this,
that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13

Who his own self bare our sin in his own body on the tree that we, being
dead to sin, should live unto righteousness. 1 Peter 2:24

Ye are washed, ye are sanctified,
ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus! 1 Corinthians 6:11
Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,
that ye should shew forth the praises of him
who hath called you out of darkness, into his marvelous light. 1 Peter 2:9

I beseech you, therefore, by the mercies of God
that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice,
holy, acceptable unto God,
which is your reasonable service. Romans 12:1

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.

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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

All communion cups contain only non-alcoholic grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are located in the center cup on each wafer tray.

Communion Music *Jesus, Lover of My Soul* Simeon Marsh

Stanza 1 - soloist

Stanza 2 - choir

Stanzas 3-4 - all

1 Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me to thy bos - om fly,
 2 Oth - er re - fuge have I none; hangs my help-less soul on thee;
 3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want, more than all in thee I find:
 4 Plen-teous grace with thee is found, grace to co-ver all my sin;

while the near - er wa - ters roll, while the tem-pest still is high;
 leave, ah! leave me not a - lone, still sup-port and com - fort me.
 raise the fal - len, cheer the faint, heal the sick and lead the blind.
 let the heal-ing streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with-in.

hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide, till the storm of life is past;
 All my trust on thee is stayed, all my help from thee I bring;
 Just and ho - ly is thy name; I am all un - right-eous-ness;
 Thou of life the four-tain art; free - ly let me take of thee;

safe in - to the ha - ven guide, O re-ceive my soul at last.
 co - ver my de-fense-less head with the shad-ow of thy wing.
 false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.
 spring thou up with-in my heart, rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), P.D.
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Prayer after Communion

Lord God, in gratitude for this moment, this meal, and these people, we give ourselves to you. Because we have shared the living bread, we cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. May we live to your glory, both as inhabitants of earth and citizens of the commonwealth of heaven. Amen.

—adapted from *The Worship Sourcebook*

Sending

HYMN 379

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

SOLID ROCK

Stanza 1 - soloist

Please stand when indicated.

Stanzas 2-4 - all

As the congregation stands to sing Stanza 2, please bring forward offerings of food for Food Gathers of Ann Arbor. Use the special communion envelopes for monetary donations which may also be brought forward and placed in the baskets.

* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Our Going and Coming*

Please sing as directed.



Our go - ing and com - ing,
our end and be - gin - ning
are safe in your keep - ing,
Lord, our end-less bless - ing.

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* VOLUNTARY

* Please stand 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 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 Dale Leslie and Barbara Mueller. **Church Office volunteers** are Ruth Weber and Sarah Mohrlock.

Greeters are Rudi and Tissy Ansbacher at 9:30 a.m., and Nancy Heikinen and Jean Schmeichel at 11:00 a.m.

Ushers are Bill Austin (head) and Marty Reineman at 8:00 a.m.; Bill Austin (head), Len Rezmierski (captain), Joe Schmidt, Marolin Bellefleur, Jennifer Wilson, Paul Wilson, Dean Gilchrist, and Karla Bellfi at 9:30 a.m.; Bill Austin (head), Carter Hodgson (captain), Beth Meda, and Peggy Hodgson at 11:00 a.m.

The **prayer team** is available for those desiring prayer in Hillemonds Chapel, to the right of the piano, after the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. services. After the 8:00 a.m. service a minister is available at the Communion Table for prayer. "The function of prayer is not to influence God, but rather to change the nature of the one who prays." –Søren Kierkegaard

Worship participants from Princeton Theological Seminary include M. Craig Barnes, preaching; Princeton Theological Seminary Choir, Martin Tel, director; William Heard, soloist; Michael Gittens, organist; Melissa Haupt, soloist; Ryan Cagno, soloist; Mina Choi, pianist; and Christina Ong, pianist. The Princeton Seminary Choir is comprised of representatives of the Princeton Theological Seminary community. Founded in 1812, Princeton Seminary is the first seminary established by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. Its mission is to educate leaders for the church of Jesus Christ worldwide, and its more than 500 students and 11,000 graduates from all fifty states and many nations around the world serve Christ in churches, schools and universities, healthcare institutions, nonprofit agencies, initiatives for social justice, mission agencies, and the emerging ministries of the church in the twenty-first century.

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. There is no 7:00 p.m. service this evening.

Today's Communion Sunday Food Drive donations will benefit Food Gatherers of Ann Arbor.

Join us for Coffee Hour in the Social Hall immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Enjoy a cup of Fair Trade coffee and a cookie. Cookie bakers are Betsy DiMaggio, Jenny Nale, and Kay Erdman. Child-friendly, peanut-free purchased snacks are available for children.

Looking for a way to share the love this February? Purchase a bag of "Love Buzz" coffee to share with friends and loved ones. Your purchase of Fair Trade coffee at First Pres supports fair wages for coffee farmers and

subsidizes First Pres' commitment to serving Fair Trade Coffee at all church events. Coffee will be sold during Coffee Hour today and the first Sunday of every month. Coffee can also be purchased in the Church Office during business hours.

Bake Sale today in the Social Hall after the 9:30 a.m. service and in the Lounge after the 11:00 a.m. service. Come support the Guatemala mission trip. We have 29 high schoolers heading to Jalapa, Guatemala, to lead a Vacation Bible School and do construction projects.

Children's Ministry Opportunities:

Sunday School classes are held for crib through fifth graders at 9:30 a.m., and for crib through young five-year-olds at 11:00 a.m. Worship activity totes and the Busy Hands Activity baskets are available at the entrances to the Sanctuary for children attending worship at 11:00 a.m.

Amazing Stuff: God's Gift for Growing Up, a class for 4th and 5th graders, meets at 11:00 a.m. in Room 104. The corresponding class for parents whose children are enrolled in the class meets in the Lewis Room at 11:00 a.m.

Youth Ministry Opportunities:

Munch & Mingle and Sunday School meet today at 9:30 a.m. in the 100 level.

Student Leadership meets in the balcony for 11:00 a.m. worship, and then lunch together.

Youth Choir meets at 4:30 p.m. in the Choir Room.

There is no Youth Dinner or Mids tonight. Mids returns next week at 5:30 p.m.

High School Superbowl Party tonight at 6:00 p.m. at the Lindstrom/ Newman home, 2045 Rouse Creek Court, Ann Arbor, at 6:00 p.m. Friends welcome. Bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Stay for the whole game or be picked up after half time.

Registration for the Guatemala Mission Trip, June 14-23, 2015, closes March 1. See RJ for all the information.

Adult Education Opportunities:

The Bible @ 9:30 meets in the French Room/Library. Come explore the Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes and biblical Wisdom Literature. The presenter is Rev. Ed Koster.

First Couples meets at 9:30 a.m. in Monteith Hall to explore the connection between faith and science with *Painting the Stars: Science, Religion and an Evolving Faith*, DVD series—Part 7 "An Evolving Spirituality: Mysticism." Presenters are class members.

Exploring the Faith meets at 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall. Dr. Wally Schmeichel leads a study on the biblical story of the prophet Elijah in preparation for the February 14 performance of *Elijah* at Hill Auditorium.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All are invited to learn the story of Mendelssohn's epic oratorio, *Elijah*, next Sunday, February 8, at 11:00 a.m. Join the Exploring the Faith adult education class in Monteith Hall where Dr. Andrew Kohler, a musicologist from UM, will give a special presentation on this music.

Offering Envelopes are here. If you requested envelopes, please pick them up in the Church Office today to help save postage costs. If you have not requested envelopes and would like to have them, please complete the green request card in the Church Office, or contact Lynnette Conner, Finance Manager

New interfaith book study now forming. Starting in early March, a new book group will meet twice to discuss "Faith in Food," which explores the connections between food and faith in different religions. On March 19, we'll gather with friends from different faith traditions to engage in interfaith dialogue. To join this book study, contact Rev. Riegel.

Mature Singles meet for dinner this Friday, February 6, at 5:30 p.m., at Olive Garden, 445 E. Eisenhower Parkway. All are welcome!

Everyone is invited to join Hilltoppers at noon on Thursday, February 12, for an engaging presentation by Dr. Anne Curzan, Arthur F. Thurnau Professor of English at UM. Dr. Curzan's topic is "Txtng, Teaching, and the Future of the English Language." The cost is \$5 which includes a hot lunch prepared by Chef Christine. Contact the Church Office to register.

Baptism classes are offered on February 8, March 8, and April 19. If you are interested in having your child baptized at First Pres or if you are an adult who has not been baptized, please consider attending one of these classes. The class is required for those who wish to present a child for baptism. To register for a class, contact the Church Office.

Join us for *Wednesday 2:42* this Wednesday. All are invited to this multi-generational, mid-week program that includes dinner, children's choir and adult education classes. The fun begins with children's choir at 5:15 p.m. Dinner is at 6:00 p.m., with classes immediately following. Register today online at the church website or by contacting the Church Office.

"Tell Me More About This Church!" Is this something you might say? Come and join us for this special Q & A session, to be held next Sunday, February 8, at 12:15 p.m., for an hour. Join us for an open conversation with Rev. Dr. Fairfax F. Fair, our Pastor/Head of Staff. Lunch and childcare (upon request) are provided. If you are a prospective member, or a regular attender, this could be the class for you! A new member class will take place on March 8, 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., with a joining date of March 22. Sign up for either or both events through Rev. Rogers or in the Church Office.

"Blended Family Dynamics," a discussion with Julie Boyd and Kathleen Jennings, family therapists from Samaritan Counseling of Ann Arbor, takes place February 9, 7:00–8:00 p.m., in Monteith Hall. Everyone is invited to attend. This event is sponsored by the Stephen Ministry Program.

You are invited to participate in *Suds and Sheets*, a Cass Community mission project. During the month of February donations of laundry detergent and paper towels will be accepted. Look for the donation basket in the Welcome Center.

Singing with Alice Parker! February 5–8

Alice Parker, an outstanding choral composer, conductor, and teacher, shares her gifts with our congregation and area musicians at these events. All events are free and open to all.



Chancel Choir Rehearsal Thursday, February 5, 7:00 p.m.

The Chancel Choir rehearses music composed by Alice Parker.

Singing from *Glory to God* Friday, February 6, 11:00 a.m.

Sing from our new hymnbook in Monteith Hall. Join us for lunch (\$6) at 12:15 p.m. in the Social Hall. Reserve your spot for lunch in the Church Office or at www.firstpresbyterian.org.

Community SING Friday, February 6, 7:00 p.m.

Unaccompanied audience singing led by Alice Parker.

Open Rehearsal Saturday, February 7, 10:00 a.m.

Alice Parker conducts an open rehearsal for church and choral musicians.

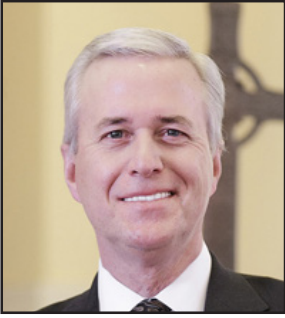
“Singing the Faith” Sunday, February 8, 9:30 a.m.

Worship with unaccompanied congregational singing led by Alice Parker.

*For more information about any of these events, contact Tom Granum,
Director of Music Ministries, at tgranum@firstpresbyterian.org*

Princeton Theological Seminary Visits First Pres

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Craig Barnes, President of Princeton Theological Seminary, as our guest preacher at the 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services this morning. The Princeton Theological Seminary Choir, under the direction of Dr. Martin Tel, will provide musical leadership for worship.



M. Craig Barnes is the seventh president of Princeton Theological Seminary. He began his presidency in January 2013, and also serves as professor of pastoral ministry. Barnes earned his Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Seminary in 1981 and his Ph.D. in church history from the University of Chicago in 1992. Before becoming president of Princeton, Barnes

was a chaired professor at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary while also serving as the pastor and head of staff of ShadySide Presbyterian Church. He previously served pastorates in Madison, Wisconsin, and at the National Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C. He is a frequent lecturer and preacher at conferences, academic gatherings, and in congregations across the country. He is the author of eight books and serves as a columnist for *The Christian Century*. His writing and academic work reflect his deep commitment to the theological formation of pastors to lead the church in changing times.

Martin Tel is the C. F. Seabrook Director of Music at Princeton Theological Seminary. At the seminary Tel conducts the seminary choirs, teaches courses in church music, and administers the music for the daily seminary worship services. He served as senior editor of *Psalms for All Season: A Complete Psalter for Worship* (Faith Alive, 2012). He also served on the editorial committee which produced a new hymnal for the Christian Reformed Church and Reformed Church in America denominations, *Lift Up Your Hearts* (Faith Alive, 2013).



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