



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Ann Arbor | Michigan

AUGUST 9, 2015

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

9:30 a.m.

Gathering

PRELUDE

Choral

Joseph Jorgen

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Monnett

INTROIT

Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing Gordon Young

Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise;

That we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise.

Sing Alleluia!

All ye servants of the Lord; praise Him forever.

Sing Jehovah's mighty power; praise Him forever.

Sing of his righteousness; praise Him forever.

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;

All: break forth, O mountains, in singing!

One: For the Lord has comforted us;

All: God has compassion on all who suffer.

One: Like a woman with her nursing child,

All: God holds us with compassion and gives us all we need.

* **HYMN 263**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Giver of manna, Breaker of bread, Creator of the new, it is true that we still do what we have not learned from Christ. We can be hard-hearted when we should be forgiving. We can be selfish when we should be willing to share. We can be greedy and complaining when we have enough to get by. Forgive us and finish your creation through Jesus Christ.

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**

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

 **Proclaiming** 

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Doris Granum

OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

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

ANTHEM

Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Carl Mueller

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; uphold me with thy spirit. Then I will teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee. Create in me a clean heart, O God. *Psalm 51:10-13*

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Children through grade five are invited forward.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 4:25-5:2

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

SERMON

Practice Forgiveness!

Rev. Rodawla

 **Responding** 

* **HYMN 347**

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

DETROIT

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Fair

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

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

Awake, My Heart

Jane Marshall

Awake, my heart, and render to God thy sure defender,
Thy Maker, thy preserver, a song of love and fervor.

Confirm my deeds and guide me: my day, with thee beside me,
Beginning, middle, ending, will all be upward tending.

My heart shall be thy dwelling, with joy and gladness swelling;
Thy word my nurture given to bring me on toward heaven.

Text by Paul Gerhard, 1647; trans. Winifred Douglas

* **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**

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 466

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

Following an extended introduction, please stand with the choir to sing.

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

**God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.**

* **POSTLUDE**

We Rejoice

Joseph Jongen

* 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 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 Prue Heikkinen and Peggy Jensen. **Church Office volunteers** are Diane Johnston and Jane Bartman. **Greeters** are Jane Hayes and Carolyn Schultz.

The prayer team is available for those desiring prayer in Hillegonds Chapel, to the right of the piano after the worship service. Prayer team members are Carolyn Schultz and Meg Brown. "To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing."- Martin Luther

Ushers are Bill Austin (head), Olivier Jolliet (captain), Nicole Jolliet, Joe Schmidt, Dick Carlisle, Jackson Turner, and Angela Yang.

The chancel flowers are given in loving memory of Nan and Jack Colton and Nan and Bill Martin by their children Jeff and Cyndy Colton.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Worship is at 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 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.

Children's Ministry Opportunities:

Childcare is available for preschoolers at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. A combined **Sunday School class** is offered for children, grades K-5, at 9:30 a.m.

Join us for Coffee Hour on the Circle Terrace immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. Cookie bakers are Beth Caldwell, Rebeca Torres-Davenport, Lisa Danielson, and Dianne Santinga. Child-friendly, peanut-free purchased snacks are available for children. During Coffee Hour we will wish Godspeed to Resident Minister Lal Rodawla who has accepted a call to serve the Providence Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, North Carolina, as the Associate Pastor for Congregational Life. Join us for cake and punch in celebration of Lal and in gratitude for his ministry with us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mature Singles will meet for dinner this Friday, August 14, at 5:30 p.m., at Big Boy, 497 North Zeeb Road. All are welcome.

First Pres name tags may be ordered online or by contacting the Church Office. The cost is \$8.00 for either a magnetic or clip style.

If you would like to have your child baptized, contact the Church Office. Baptism Sundays are August 23, October 11, November 29, and December 27.

Fall Events for Mature Ministries and our Thursday Lunch Program, Hilltoppers

Thursday, September 17: MEET THE RESIDENT MINISTERS

Pre-Hilltoppers Kick Off Presentation - Lunch and Discussion at Noon in the Social Hall. Whet your appetite for the 2nd Thursday series we call Hilltoppers. Our guest speakers will be our new resident ministers: Daniel Ervin, Angela Ryo, and Emily Béghin. Lunch is included, \$5.

Thursday, September 24: ARAB-AMERICAN MUSEUM and HABIB'S

Trip to the Arab-American Museum in Dearborn, with Lunch at Habib's. Special guests will be with us at lunch, and we will be joined by Brad Taylor, Associate Director of the Museum Studies at the University of Michigan. Cost of trip is only your lunch. We will carpool, meeting at 8:30 a.m. and returning by 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 8: KICK OFF FOR MATURE MINISTRIES

11:00 a.m., Coach Ron Warhurst; 12 noon, Lunch;

12:45 p.m., Featured Speaker, John U. Bacon

The fun begins at 11:00 a.m. with Coach Ron Warhurst, famed running coach for the University of Michigan, talking about his experience winning world championships and training world class runners. He's a Vietnam Vet with an interesting history himself. After lunch, we welcome sportswriter John U. Bacon, who will discuss his new exposé of David Brandon, *Endzone: The Rise, Fall, and Return of Michigan Football*. *Endzone* tells the story of how college football's most successful, richest and respected program almost lost all three in less than a decade - and entirely of its own doing. It is a story of hubris, greed, and betrayal - a tale more suited to Wall Street than the world's top public university. This book is being released September 1; pre-order on Amazon.com now and you can read it in anticipation of his visit. He will sign books that you bring. You need a reservation for this.

**You can sign up for any of these events by contacting
Rev. Rogers or by calling the Church Office.**

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