



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Ann Arbor | Michigan

SEPTEMBER 6, 2015
FAMILY WORSHIP

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

🌿 Gathering 🌿

PRELUDE

LIFE IN THE CHURCH

Rev. Sanderford (8:00)
Rev. Rogers (11:00)

FAITH IN ACTION

Prayer Ministry Lynn Hamilton (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 95:1-2

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise
to the rock of our salvation!

All: **Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving,
singing joyful songs of praise.**

One: Come, let us worship God!

* HYMN 267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, help us live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 146 Dale Briggs (8:00)
Alexis Allum (11:00)

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

A CONVERSATION WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (11:00)

Children through grade five are invited forward.

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Corinthians 12:1-13

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

SERMON

Emily Béghin (8:00)

Daniel Ervin (11:00)

Responding

* HYMN 530

One Bread, One Body

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WELCOME

Rev. Ryo

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

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory

Many Gifts, One Spirit

Allen Pote

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.



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.

Prayer After Communion



Sending



* **HYMN 536** *Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen* SURGE ECCLESIA

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**

**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**

* 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**. 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 Missy Smith-Potter at 9:00 a.m., and Nancy Pflasterer at 10:30 a.m.

Church Office volunteers are Ruth Weber and Sarah Krein. **Greeters** before the 11:00 a.m. service are Prue and Dale Heikkinen.

Ushers at 11:00 a.m. are Bill Austin (head), Carter Hodgson, Beth Meda, Peggy Hodgson, Joe Cox, Karen Cox, and Cindy Andress.

The prayer team is available for those desiring prayer. The prayer team members at 11:00 a.m. are Mary McKeever and Linda Lampman.

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.

Join us for an Ice Cream Social on the Circle Terrace immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service. **Cookie bakers** are Jinx Cooke, Betsy DiMaggio, Beth Caldwell, and Cindy Crawford. Child-friendly, peanut-free purchased snacks are available for children.

Children's Ministry Opportunities:

Today is Family Worship 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 food donations and financial contributions are for Food Gatherers of Ann Arbor.

Everyone is invited to attend an important congregational event this Wednesday, September 9. We will gather from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Monteith Hall for a panel presentation on same-gender marriage, followed by discussion and a brief time of worship. There will be an optional session from 5:00-6:15 p.m., to consider biblical passages that illustrate multiple biblical understandings of marriage and those often cited as grounds to deny same-gender couples the church's blessing. The evening's discussion is timely because the session of First Pres has not yet taken action on same-gender marriages.

Our Fall worship schedule resumes Sunday, September 13. Worship will be held at 8:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall, and at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

A meeting of the congregation has been called by the Session for Sunday, September 20, immediately following the 9:30 a.m. worship service for the purpose of electing church officers – elders and deacons – for the Class of 2018 and for the 2016 Congregational Nominating Committee.

Volunteer for Alpha House, a local shelter for children and their families who are experiencing homelessness. First Pres will be supporting Alpha House guests the week of September 14-20. For more information contact Lucie Audette, Anne Gere or Nicole Jolliet. Sign up online or at Coffee Hour.

Next Sunday, September 13, all Adult Education classes and Children and Youth programming return. We have Sunday School classes for all ages, youth groups for 6th-12th graders on Sunday nights, and so much more. If you have questions about offerings for Nursery-5th graders, see Debbie MacVey; for 6th-12th graders, undergrads, grad students, and 20s-30s, see Rev. Dr. Monnett; and for other adult offerings, see Rev. Sanderford. All may be reached by calling the Church Office.

Wednesday@First begins September 16. Read the September edition of our newsletter *First Press* for more information. Join us for dinner followed by worship. If you did not receive the newsletter and would like to be added to the email list, please send your email address to Lisa Haddrill, Technology Coordinator, at lhaddrill@firstpresbyterian.org.

Children, grades K-5: Join Children's Choir to find out why there's an M on M&M candy. Children's Choir meets Wednesday, 5:15-6:00 p.m., beginning September 16 as part of our Wednesday@First Program.

Saturday Suppers registration begins today during Coffee Hour. You can sign up as a host, hostess, or guest for one of our small group potluck suppers served in members' homes on Saturday, October 3.

Flu Shots are available for those ages 12 and up on Sunday, September 20, 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. All major insurances will be billed. If you are uninsured the cost is \$14.99. Signups are available during Coffee Hour today and next Sunday, through the Church Office, or online. Bring your insurance information with you or a photocopy of your card, front and back, so your insurance can be billed. Pre-registration will help us prepare for the number of vaccines we need to give. If you have questions or concerns, contact parish nurse Sandy Talbott.

Presbyterian Women invite all church women to attend their fall kick-off on Wednesday, September 16, in Monteith Hall. Bible Study is 9:30-10:30 a.m. followed by a short business meeting, and the monthly program. This month we welcome our three new Resident Ministers: Emily Béghin, Daniel Erwin, and Angela Ryo. Lunch follows at noon in the Social Hall. The cost is \$7.00. **InGathering donations** will be received at this meeting or may be brought to the Church Office. Contact Jill Binkley (jillbink2@gmail.com) for more information.

The Women's Reading Group meets Wednesday, September 30, 1:00-3:00 p.m., at the home of Betty Anderson. The book selection is *The Road to Character* by David Brooks. Mary Lynn Thompson will lead a discussion of the Introduction and Chapter One. All church women are invited.

All adults are invited to join Adult Education classes beginning next Sunday, September 13. The Bible @ 9:30 meets in the French Room for a study of the Gospel of John. Common Ground, First Couples, and Exploring the Faith meet at 11:00 a.m. in Monteith Hall to view and discuss *Being Mortal*, Atul's Gawande's exploration of the intersection of life, death, medicine, and what matters at life's end.

New robes will be purchased this fall for our three choirs: Children's Choir, Youth Choir, and Chancel Choir. We invite you to make a donation to help purchase robes. If you would like to "give a robe" in honor of or in memory of someone, please include that information with your gift. If "giving a robe," the cost is \$160. Gifts of all sizes are appreciated. Please contact Tom Granum for more information.

Mature Singles will meet for dinner this Friday, September 11, at 5:30 p.m., at Max & Erma's, 445 E. Eisenhower Parkway. All are welcome.

PASTORAL AND PROGRAM STAFF

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

Reverend Melissa Anne Rogers, Associate Pastor

Reverend Jay Sanderford, Associate Pastor

Reverend Dr. James Monnett, Director of Youth Ministry

Transitional Campus Minister

Deborah MacVey, Director of Children's Education and Family Ministries

Tom Granum, Director of Music Ministries

Carol Muehlig, Associate Music Director and Organist

Resident Ministers:

Emily Béghin

Daniel Ervin

Reverend Angela Ryo

Peer Ministers:

Alexis Allum

Andy Spaulding

Sandy Talbott, Parish Nurse

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