



ORDER OF WORSHIP  
22nd Sunday after Pentecost // 10:00am  
November 6, 2022

**ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

*Look at the World*

John Rutter

**LIFE AT FIRST**

**RINGING OF THE BELL**

**PRELUDE**

*Tree of Life*

arr. Paula Cooper Matthews

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: As the day dawns anew,

**All: so do our lives.**

One: As our community gathers,

**All: so do our spirits.**

One: As we are awakened by newness,

**All: we are a holy people of a new heaven and earth.**

**And so it is!**

**Let us worship God!**

**\*HYMN # 301** *Let Us Build a House*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

One: You call us to be your voices in this world  
and we stay silent.

You call us to be your hands in this world  
and we keep them hidden.

**All: You call us to be your feet in this world  
and we go our own way.  
When we meet those who are doubting  
and say nothing, forgive us.  
When we meet those who need your touch  
and do nothing, forgive us.  
When we are called to take up your cross  
and carry nothing, forgive us.**

**One: Breathe life into these bones,  
bring freedom to these lives  
that we might declare  
with heart and soul and voice  
that you are our Redeemer, our God. Amen**

~ written by John Birch (faithandworship.com)

## **KYRIE ELEISON**

Cantor: Kyrie eleison, *Lord, have mercy.*

**All: Kyrie eleison.**

Cantor: Christe eleison, *Christ, have mercy.*

**All: Christe eleison.**

Cantor: Kyrie eleison, *Lord, have mercy.*

**All: Kyrie eleison**

## **\*ASSURANCE OF LOVE AND FORGIVENESS**

**\*RESPONSE** Tune: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty  
**Sing for God's power that shatters  
The chains that would bind us,  
Searing the shadow of fear and despair  
That could harm us,  
Touching our shame with love that will not lay blame,  
Reaching out gently to find us.**

## **\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**ANTHEM**

*O Love*

Elaine Hagenberg

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

### TIME WITH CHILDREN

*All Are Welcome*

All are welcome, all are welcome  
This is a place for all (x2)  
So come and gather, come and listen  
For the word of love  
So come and gather, come and listen  
God invites us all

### SCRIPTURE

Matthew 7: 21 – 29

### SERMON

*Rock Solid*

Rev. Cathy Caldwell Hoop

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Some choose to begin this prayer, "Our Creator" or "Our Parent."*

**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**

### GIVING OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND LIVES

**\*OFFERTORY SONG** #647 *Give Thanks*

### **\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

One: Unclutter our lives, Lord  
we have too much,  
consume too much,  
expect too much.

All: **Grant us perspective;  
to see this world**

**through others' eyes  
than just our own.**

One: Grant us compassion;  
where there is need  
to play our part  
not turn aside.

**All: Grant us gratitude  
for what we have,  
our daily bread  
the gift of life.**

One: Unclutter our lives, Lord,  
give us space,  
simplicity  
thankful hearts. Amen.

~ written by John Birch

**COMMUNION HYMN** #532 *Sheaves of Wheat*

**INVITATION**

One: God of mercy and justice, be with us.

**All: We lift our hearts to you,  
not because we have to,  
not because we are supposed to,  
but because it is how we respond to your unconditional love.**

One: As long as there have been people to tell them,  
our ancestors in faith have shared stories of your mercy.

**All: Of how you gave food to the hungry,  
clothes to the naked, and shelter to the displaced.**

One: And as long as there have been people to tell them,  
our ancestors in faith have shared stories of your mercy.

**All: Of how you gave freedom to the enslaved,  
opportunity to the outcast, and peace to the war-torn.**

One: You acted with both mercy and justice,

**All: rescuing the Israelites from slavery in Egypt,  
providing them with manna when they were hungry.**

One: And you urged your people to act with both mercy and justice,

**All: Sending the prophets who cried out to care for widow, orphan, and  
foreigner,  
Who cried out that we are to love our neighbor as You would love.**

One: You have shared your mercy and justice with us, not only as gifts to be received from you, but as gifts that we are to share with the world.  
We often lose our way, turn away from the prophets, forget your gifts.  
But even in those times, you never give up on us,  
You always welcome us back to the table,  
Where we can experience your gifts of love.  
Jesus showed us what a life of mercy and justice looked like:

**All: In mercy, he gave food to the hungry.**

One: In justice, he broke social custom and shared tables with the powerful and the lowly at once.

**All: In mercy, he cared for the sick.**

One: In justice, he broke religious custom and healed on the Sabbath.

**All: In mercy, he had compassion for the poor.**

One: In justice, he spoke out against the Empire that held them in poverty.

**All: In mercy, he washed his disciples' feet.**

One: In justice, he died without protest to expose a corrupt system.

## COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

*Adagio in Bm k.540*

W.A. Mozart, arr. T.K. Murray

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

\*CLOSING HYMN #5 *God the Sculptor of the Mountains* (Stanzas 1,3,4)

### \*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE *The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Peter Lutkin

**Worship Leaders:** Rev. Cathy Caldwell Hoop, Rev. Paul Van Kempen, Chuck Norris, Bruce Rosensteel, FPC Choir, Gail Hering, Beth Magennis, Jillian Rennaker, Nick Norris, Andrew Plaisier, Emily Grabinski-Conklin. **Communion Servers and Preparers:** Linda Clark, Gail Hering, Alan Hering, Sherry Martens, Alan Martens, and Amy VanderMeer, Jan Brashler, and Pastor Linda Male. **Thanks to:** Technical Support Team, Greeters and Ushers, Bus Drivers, and M&M Café Providers.

Invitation to Communion text by Rev. Chelsey Hillyer, Sr. Pastor of Union UMC, St. Louis.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Congregational Meeting Today** // Immediately following this morning's service, a congregational meeting will be held to receive the report from the PNC and to vote on the Senior Pastor candidate and the Terms of Call. If you cannot attend the Congregational Meeting, a Zoom link will be sent out Sunday morning to participate virtually.

**Pastor Paul Out of Office** // Pastor Paul will be on vacation Nov. 9-16. Please contact Pastor Linda ([linda@fpcholland.org](mailto:linda@fpcholland.org)) with any immediate needs. Thank you!

**Thanksgiving Groceries Support** // The Youth Group continues to raise money to provide Thanksgiving groceries for local families through our partner Community Action House (CAH). Last week, the Youth Group raised \$691 which is support for 20 families in our community! Our goal is 60 families. Every \$33 we raise will stock the shelves at the Food Club with Thanksgiving options for one family. Join the Youth in supporting this great cause!

**Message from the Outreach Council** // It's Fall and with Fall comes the return of winter clothing drives to help keep our friends & neighbors in Holland warm. November will be for used and new coats, December for hats, scarves, gloves & mittens, and January for blankets.

Our receiving agencies are ones that we partner with through Outreach Council. New coats (sizes youth 4/5 to adult L) will be given to Children's Advocacy Center. Used coats of all sizes will go to Community Action House and the Refresh program for persons experiencing homelessness.

Here's a brief update from Children's Advocacy Center to show you what they are doing and the need in our community. Over the past year we have:

- provided 405 forensic interviews (these are done after a child discloses abuse)
- Conducted 95 forensic medical exams
- provided 1,726 therapy sessions
- conducted 60 problematic sexual behavior screenings
- trained more than 15,000 adults and children in body safety (this school year we are projecting over 16,000 kids trained in body safety and allowing for a safe person and place to disclose what may be happening to them)

There will be bins clearly marked as used & new to receive coats during the month of November. As you clean out your closets for the winter, share the coats you haven't worn and add a new coat to your shopping cart to help with kids in need. Thank you for your generosity. ~ Outreach Council

**Knitters and Crocheters** // Are you interested in making prayer shawls and having a time of fellowship? We had a wonderful, very enthusiastic turn out of 10-12 people for our first meeting in October! Third Mondays in the afternoon seemed to be the best date for those in attendance. Our next two meetings will again be in the Ontario Room (to the right after passing the office area and near the men's bathroom) on Monday, November 21st and Monday, Dec 19th, from 1-3 pm. You are welcome to come a little late or leave early as needed. We will have a few 'kits' of yarn and patterns if you need one. Lion Brand Homespun yarn makes a very soft and cuddly shawl. For any additional information about the meetings, please contact Janet Haines: [janethaines24@gmail.com](mailto:janethaines24@gmail.com) or Sarah Anderson: [andersons@hope.edu](mailto:andersons@hope.edu)

**Knitting Pattern** // Do you have a pattern for knitting mittens or a hat that you could share? If so, please call Marianne McBeth, (616) 403-7081. Thank you!

**You're Invited** // Join us November 13 during Education time to hear about the vision behind and the stories of men who are part of a life-changing initiative, the Hope-Western Prison Education Program. The HWPEP, a collaboration between Hope College and Western Theological Seminary, offers the opportunity for incarcerated men from state prisons throughout Michigan to earn a Bachelor's degree from Hope College at the Muskegon Correctional Facility. David Stubbs, one of the co-directors of the program, will offer a presentation and host a discussion. All are welcome!



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## Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)  
C7 F C F B<sup>b</sup> C Dm

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can  
2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are  
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,  
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the  
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)  
F C F Dm7 Gm C

safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell  
strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek  
wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground  
wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,  
vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)  
Gm C7 B<sup>b</sup> F Am Dm

how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)  
Gm C F B<sup>b</sup>

vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the  
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as  
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we  
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us  
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

*Refrain*  
(D) (G) (F#7) (Bm) (Em) (Bm)  
F B<sup>b</sup> A7 Dm Gm Dm

love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
one we claim the faith of Je - sus:  
share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;  
bring an end to fear and dan - ger:  
house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

(F#m) (Em) (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)  
Am Gm F Gm C7 F B<sup>b</sup> F

all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

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## Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart; give thanks to the Ho-ly One;

give thanks be-cause we're giv-en Je-sus Christ, the Son. Give

Son. And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the

poor say, "We are rich be-cause of what the Lord has done for

us!" And us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.

## 532

## Sheaves of Wheat

*Una espiga*

1 Sheaves of wheat turned by sun - light in - to gold,  
 2 Here we gath - er to share a com - mon meal.  
 3 As each grain blends to form a sin - gle loaf,  
 4 At the ta - ble of God we join to eat,  
 1 *U - na es - pi - ga do - ra - da por el sol,*  
 2 *Com - par - ti - mos la mis - ma com - mu - nión,*  
 3 *Co - mo gra - nos que han he - cho el mis - mo pan,*  
 4 *En la me - sa de Dios se sen - ta - rán,*



grapes in clus - ters, like ru - bies on the vine,  
 We are har - vest by God the Sow - er sown,  
 or as notes weave to shape a sin - gle song,  
 and as sis - ters and broth - ers break the bread.  
*el ra - ci - mo que cor - ta el vi - ña - dor,*  
*so - mos tri - go del mis - mo sem - bra - dor,*  
*co - mo no - tas que te - jen un can - tar,*  
*co - mo hi - jos su pan com - part - ti - rán,*



feed our hearts as the pre - cious blood and bod - y of our  
 brought to - geth - er to share the joys and sor - rows that we  
 or as drop - lets u - nite with - in the o - cean's depth and  
 Fed by faith, hope, and love, we sing our joy to all we  
*se con - vier - ten a - ho - ra en pan y vi - no de a -*  
*un mo - li - no a la vi - da, nos tri - tu - ra con do -*  
*co - mo go - tas de a - gua que se fun - den en el*  
*u - na mis - ma es - pe - ran - za ca - mi - nan - do can - ta -*



Lord: gifts of heav - en from earth - ly bread and wine.  
 feel, all re - fined by life's com - mon grind - ing stone.  
 foam, to each oth - er as Chris - tians we be - long.  
 meet, as the bod - y of Christ, our liv - ing head.  
*mor, en el cuer - po y la san - gre del Se - ñor.*  
*lor, Dios nos ha - ce pue - blo nue - vo en el a - mor.*  
*mar, los cris - tia - nos un cuer - po for - ma - rán.*  
*rán, en la vi - da co - mo her - ma - nos se a - ma - rán.*

# God the Sculptor of the Mountains 5



1 God the sculp - tor of the moun - tains, God the  
 2 God the nui - sance of the Pha - raoh, God the  
 3 God the dress - er of the vine - yard, God the  
 4 God the un - ex - pect - ed in - fant, God the



mill - er of the sand, God the jewel - er of the  
 cleav - er of the sea, God the pil - lar in the  
 plant - er of the wheat, God the reap - er of the  
 calm, de - ter - mined youth, God the ta - ble - turn - ing



heav - ens, God the pot - ter of the land:  
 dark - ness, God the bea - con of the free:  
 har - vest, God the source of all we eat:  
 proph - et, God the res - ur - rect - ed truth:



you are womb of all cre - a - tion;  
 you are fount of all de - liv - erance;  
 you are host at ev - ery ta - ble;  
 you are pres - ent ev - ery mo - ment;



we are form - less; shape us now.  
 we are aim - less; lead us now.  
 we are hun - gry; feed us now.  
 we are search - ing; meet us now.