



ORDER OF WORSHIP
2nd Sunday after the Epiphany
January 15, 2023 // 10:00 am

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

GATHERING SONG #451 *Open My Eyes, That I May See*
Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes; illumine me, Spirit divine!

LIFE AT FIRST

Please take this time to sign the red Friendship Pad found on the pew near you.

RINGING THE BELL

PRELUDE

Le cygne

Charles-Camille Saint-Saëns

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Welcome into this house of prayer.

All: We take refuge in God's house.

One: Welcome to the deliverance offered here.

All: We are delivered by the God who hears our prayers.

One: Welcome to God's open arms and abiding love.

All: We are happy to abide in God's love.

One: Come and be God's honored guests, for all are welcome in God's house.

***HYMN #394** *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: Merciful God, we confess that we do not speak words of love. We give ourselves over to impatience, envy, gossip, and resentment. We desire to follow Jesus, but we try to do it in our own strength and according to our own works. Forgive us for false self-sufficiency and remind us to live into

**Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.*

your call to be your beloved children as we journey together. Remind us that you have gathered us together and welcomed us home to yourself. In your mercy, Lord, hear our prayers....

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

God Help the Outcasts

arr. Stephen DeCesare

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

All: We confirm that God has called us through Jesus Christ to be servants and lights to the world. Our forgiveness comes from the loving heart of God. Thanks be to God.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

ANTHEM

River in Judea

arr. John Leavitt

HEARING GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Alleluia

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE I Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

SERMON

Seeing Life through Water: Calling

Rev. Linda Male

***HYMN #291** *Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness*

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.**

THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS, AND LIVES

*DOXOLOGY #606

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts,
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN #546 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Suite for Flute and Jazz Piano Trio: Irlandais

Claude Bolling

Worship Leaders: Rev. Linda Male, Rev. Paul Van Kempen, Darren Parker,
Emily Grabinski Conklin, Chuck Norris, Beth Magennis, Linda Clark, FPC Choir

Thanks to: Sound and Video Tim Richardson, Greeter Mary Bennett and Ushers,
Bus Drivers, M&M Café Providers, Abbie Nutter and Nursery Care Providers



Our heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Aline Miller who passed away Wednesday, January 11. The family invites you to join them for a visitation on Tuesday, January 17 from 5-8 pm at Lakeshore Memorial (11939 James St, Holland, MI 49424) and for a Service of Witness to the Resurrection on **Wednesday, January 18 at 10am at First Presbyterian Church.**

Thanks be to God for grace and love from this life into the next.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Per Capita Contribution // The congregation is assessed a payment to fund the services of the denomination at various levels. The total per capita fee for 2023 is \$39.10 for each church member. We invite member contributions to help cover this expense. Envelopes are provided in the pews for this purpose.

Annual Meeting // Sunday, January 29 immediately following worship, the Annual Meeting will be held. For those who cannot attend in person, a Zoom link will be emailed to you Sunday morning.

Who are Presbyterians? // Classes are being offered for anyone inquiring about membership here at First Presbyterian Church. Our first class was held January 11 and continues this Wednesday, January 18 at 1:30pm. Lead by Rev. Linda Male. Questions? Email Rev Linda Male, linda@fpcholland.org

Holland Civic Theatre // Presenting 'SWEAT' about a steel mill in Reading, PA in the year 2000 when the company was considering layoffs and hiring non-union Latino workers. This poignant play takes a look at the de-industrial revolution through the lens of a history play, but also delves into the issues of today: the economy, immigration, race-relations in American, and politics. If you are interested in joining us for this thought-provoking play on Sunday, February 12 at 2pm. Please sign-up in the Narthex or online at <https://forms.gle/sxdz4jQtzMhnz5WFA>. Tickets are \$15. Optional dinner and play discussion at the Curraugh following the performance.

Adult Education | Amateur Hour | Every Sunday @11 // Often, we think of being an amateur with a negative connotation, but the word *amateur* means something like "for the love of." Amateurs approach the world with interest, intention and a willingness to learn and grow. This approach to life enables us to uncover the wonders of creation all around us and leads us to better understand our Creator. During January and February during the Adult Education hour, you are invited to become an amateur in a wide variety of topics (from archaeology and geology to calligraphy and photography). Join us as we uncover the wide array of wonders in God's creation!

This Sunday, Chris Urbaniak presents, *South African Photography Tour* from her recent trip to South Africa.

Jan 22 Beth Magennis (ASL)
Jan 29 Congregational Meeting
Feb 5 Rev. Cathy C. Hoop first Sunday
Feb 12 Linda Winkelmann (Rocks)
Feb 19 Gail Hering (Acting)

Hello Busy Parents! // We know you're busy, but we also know that you want to make time to become a better parent! Join us for a discussion group where we'll learn from Dr. Becky Kennedy's book, *Good Inside* (@drbeckyatgoodinside).

Discussion led by Shanna and Paul Van Kempen
Thursdays from **6-7pm** beginning **Jan 26 - Feb 23** at FPC
Questions? Email paul@fpcholland.org

Want to register? Watch the Wednesday eWeekly for a registration link or call the church office.

Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for a few volunteers to staff the childcare rooms during the *Good Inside* parenting class. If you are available, please contact Lori Klinesteker
lori@fpcholland.org

Summer Camp Scholarships // Thanks to a generous donor from First Presbyterian Church in Grand Haven, we have scholarship money available for all students in our church (no income restrictions) to go to any Christian summer camp. This is a great way to affordably have your child attend camp. Summer camp may seem far off in the future but many camps begin registration the first week of January. Contact Pastor Paul with your questions!
paul@fpcholland.org

Call for Blankets // Welcome 2023. As we begin the new year, we will be collecting blankets for persons in our community needing warmth in this winter weather. We will again deliver them through our partner organizations. They can be new or used (please have them washed and ready for delivery) and all sizes are welcome. There will again be a box next to the Outreach Kiosk for collection. Check your closets and chests and share your extras or a new purchase with those in need. Thank you.

Save the Date

January 29 - Annual Meeting immediately following worship.

January 29 - Last service with Rev. Linda Male

February 5 - First service with Rev. Cathy C. Hoop



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Spirit

Refrain

Spir - it, spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the
wil - der - ness, call - ing and free. Spir - it,
spir - it of rest - less - ness, stir me from plac - id - ness,
wind, wind on the sea. *Fine*

1 You moved on the wa - ters; you called to the
2 You swept through the des - ert; you stung with the
3 You sang in a sta - ble; you cried from a
4 You call from to - mor - row; you break an - cient

deep; then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the
sand; and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a
hill; then you whis - pered in si - lence when the
schemes; from the bond - age of sor - row the

val - leys of sleep; and o - ver the e -
law and a land. When they were con - found -
whole world was still. And down in the cit -
cap - tives dream dreams. Our wom - en see vi -

ons you called to each thing, "A -
ed with i - dols and lies, then you
y, you called once a - gain when you
sions; our men clear their eyes. With

wake from your slum - bers and
spoke through your proph - ets to
blew through your proph - ets to
bold new de - ci - sions on the
your

rise on your wings."
o - pen their eyes.
rush of the wind.
peo - ple a - rise. *to Refrain*

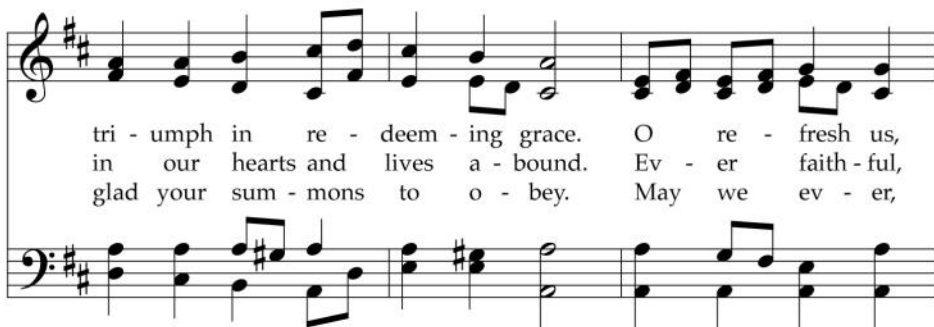
546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing



1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's
 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us, from our strug - gling



joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,
 joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion
 pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,



tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,
 in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,
 glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,



O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
 ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.
 may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.