

first presbyterian church



*Worshiping, serving, and living with a fresh vision of
God's vibrant energy and grace for all.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 28, 2024 // 10am

ENTERING GOD'S PRESCENCE

GATHERING SONG #322 *We Are One in Christ Jesus* Jan Brashler, cantor

LIFE AT FIRST

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

RINGING THE BELL AND LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

PRELUDE *Arabesque No. 1* Claude Debussy

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Based on Psalm 111

One: Come and praise God! Gathered in community, let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: Great are God's works, full of glory and majesty.

One: Our God is gracious and compassionate.

All: Our God is merciful and forgiving.

One: Our God is trustworthy and true.

All: Our God is honest and just.

One: Come, let us worship God together.

All: God's praise will last forever! Amen!

***HYMN** #327 *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Gracious God, we confess that we cling too tightly to our own logic, intellect, and knowledge, leaving little room for your love to work in our hearts. We often judge when we need to listen. We push people away instead of welcoming them in community. Forgive us for being more concerned with being right, than with showing your love. Guide us, God, to live not by our knowledge, but by your unconditional love. Amen

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

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE

GLORIA #582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

***PASSING THE PEACE**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN *Micah 6:8*

All: God has shown you (echo)
O Mortal (echo)
What is good and what the Lord requires of you.
But to do justice (echo)
And to love kindness (echo)
And to walk humbly with your God.

ANTHEM *Thy Perfect Love*

John Rutter

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

One: The word of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Paul Van Kempen

***HYMN** #316 *Where Charity and Love Prevail*

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG #474 *As a Child Rests* (Refrain only)

All: As a child rests in its mother's arms,
so will I rest in you. (x2)

Some choose to begin this prayer, “Our Mother”, “Our Creator” or “Our Parent.”

All: **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

***OFFERTORY SONG** #717 *For the Love That You Have Given*

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***HYMN** #300 *We Are One in the Spirit*

CARRYING GOD’S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING SONG** #549 *May the Love of the Lord*

POSTLUDE

Nocturne

Lynn Freeman Olson

Worship Leaders: Rev. Cathy Hoop, Rev. Paul Van Kempen, Gail Hering,
Chuck Norris, Beth Magennis, Rose Gifford, FPC Choir, Jan Brashler.

Thanks to: Sound and Video, Greeter and Ushers, Bus Drivers,
M&M Café Providers, Kate Overbeek and Nursery Care Providers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Annual Congregational Meeting // Will be held **TODAY** immediately following 10am worship.

Potluck and Board Games // Stay after the service **TODAY** for a potluck lunch and play your favorite board games. This is a multigenerational event, welcome to all even if you didn't bring food. See you there!

The Wired Word // Meets **TODAY** (continuing through February 11) in person and over Zoom. The readings will be e-mailed on Thursdays. If you would like to receive them, please contact / email Cathy. (cathy@fpcholland.org). The Zoom link will be emailed Sunday morning. We will be meeting today following the Annual Congregational Meeting.

Why Presbyterians are Like That! // Are you interested in learning more about the Presbyterian Church (USA), or about this faith community? Are you wondering what it would mean to become a member of FPC? If you are curious about any or all of these questions, please contact the church office: office@fpcholland.org or 616-392-9022.

Camp Geneva // Yes! It's already time to start thinking about summer camp. Registration for Camp Geneva began January 9. If you are interested in scholarship information for your camper (s) talk with Pastor Paul, or watch the Wednesday eWeekly communication for a link to download the forms.

Non-Perishable Food Collection // Worship Center children are partnering with Community Action House in providing non-perishable food for those in need. We invite the congregation to join with the children by bringing non-perishable food and placing it in the labeled container in the Narthex or in the basket on the chancel during Children's Time in Worship. Thank you for participating with our children in their focus of offering **through February 2024**.

Live Theater // Another opportunity to see live theater at HCT on Friday, **February 9** at 7:30pm. Join us to see *"Noises Off"*, a behind-the-scenes theatrical farce of a chaotic stage production rehearsal touring troupe with unstable actors, a volatile director, and an overworked and overly emotional stage crew. Tickets are \$17. Optional dinner at 5:30pm at Boatwerks. Sign-up in the lobby. Any questions, contact Chris Urbaniak.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Habitat for Humanity Work Day // Happening Saturday, **February 10** . We are not yet sure of what kind of work we'll be doing that day. You can sign up to work the morning shift, afternoon shift or both! If you have questions or would like to sign up, please email Bill Haines, Wehaines@icloud.com.

Senior Brunch Saturday // If you consider yourself to be a Senior, you are invited to join us on Saturday, **February 10** at 11am for brunch and time together. Please sign up to attend by Sunday, February 4 by calling the church office or signing up in the narthex.

The annual Women's Retreat // Saturday, **February 24**, 2024, from 9am until 4pm right here at FPC. The theme of the retreat is *God's Face*. Our speaker is Reverend Dr. Elizabeth Caldwell. We would love to have you join us! Invite a friend to share the day with you! The cost is \$40, and scholarships are available. Registration brochures may be picked up from the rack on the welcome desk. ** Any woman who would like to attend the retreat, but needs transportation, please contact Chris Urbaniak or sign up on Sundays at the activity information table in the M&M cafe. If there is enough interest, Chris is willing to drive the church bus. Otherwise, we can make other arrangements for you. ** Registration forms (that you can download and print from home) are available of the homepage of our website. Registration deadline is February 11, 2024.

Dinners for 7 // Save the date! The next Dinners for 7 will be Saturday, **March 16**. This is a great chance to get to know new people! Sign-ups will be available in February.

Peace Camp // It is that time of year where registration for summer camps and programs opens up. As you are planning your summer, make sure to save the week for Peace Camp at First Presbyterian Church! Peace Camp will be held August 5-9 from 9-11:45 each day. We welcome campers who are entering Kindergarten through entering 6th grade. Students entering 7th-12th grade are invited to be teen helpers. As has been the case for the past few years, **Peace Camp is totally ! FREE**. We are looking forward to another great week where we learn how to live peacefully with others and with our world. Ready to sign up? Look in Wednesday's eWeekly for a link to sign up or register on our website home page. Questions? Reach out to Pastor Paul.

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Class of 2024: Linda Winkelmann, Colleen Ball

Class of 2025: Nancy Staal, Lauren Stouffer,
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Class of 2026: Tom Glover, Terri Schamper

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Class of 2024: Linda Clark, Sherry Martens, Tim Staal,
Amy VanderMeer

Class of 2025: Danielle Peterson, Gail Hering,
Jon McFadyen, Beth Magennis

Class of 2026: Bruce Rosensteel, Carleen Bauer

Children of all ages are encouraged and welcome to be with us during worship.
If you prefer an alternative:

- Nursery: Newborn - 3 years of age (main level)
- Celebration Time: 4 years of age through 1st grade are invited to attend following Children's Time within the Service; attached to the Nursery.
- Education Time: 11:15am - noon.
- Adult Class - Michigan Room (typically) - main level.
- Youth - Youth Room - lower level.
- Worship Center - PreK - 5th grade - lower level.
- Nursery - Newborn through 3 years - main level.

All children and youth options are supervised with two adults who have been background checked and adhere to the Child & Youth Protection Policy.

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FPC is a More Light congregation, celebrating the full inclusion of LGBTQIA+ individuals in life, ministry and witness of the PC (USA) and in society. You are welcome here, and you are loved. Learn more at MLP.org

322 We Are One in Christ Jesus

Somos uno en Cristo

Em

We are one in Christ Je - sus, all one bod - y, all one
So - mos u - no en Cris - to, so - mos u - no, so - mos

B B7 Em 1 Em 2

spir - it, all to - geth - er. geth - er. We share one
u - no, u - no so - lo. so - lo. Un so - lo

Am Em B7

God, one might - y Lord, one a - bid - ing faith, one bind - ing
Dios, un so - lo Se - ñor, u - na so - la fe, un so - lo a -

Em Am Em

love, one sin - gle bap - tism, one Ho - ly Com - fort - er,
mor, un so - lo bau - tis - mo, un so - lo Es - pt - ri - tu,

B7 Em

the Ho - ly Spir - it, u - nit - ing all.
y é - se es el Con - so - la - dor.

327 From All That Dwell Below the Skies

(Psalm 117)

Unison



1 From all that dwell be-low the skies let the Cre - a - tor's praise a -
 2 In ev - ery land be - gin the song; to ev - ery land the strains be -
 3 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord; e - ter - nal truth at - tends thy

Harmony *Unison*



rise: Let the Re - deem - er's
 long: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! In cheer - ful sound all
 word: Thy praise shall sound from



name be sung through ev - ery land, in ev - ery tongue.
 voic - es raise and fill the world with joy - ful praise.
 shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more.

Harmony



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.


(A7) (D) (F[#]) (Bm)
C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7)(D)
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin-ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

Where Charity and Love Prevail 316



1 Where char-i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son.
3 Let strife a-mong us be un-known; let all con - ten-tions cease.
4 Let us for-give each oth-er's faults as we our own con - fess,
5 Love can ex-clude no race or creed if hon - ored be God's name;



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
As mem-bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris-tian gen - tle - ness.
our com-mon life em - brac - es all whose Mak - er is the same.

717 For the Life That You Have Given

For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in

Christ made known, with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these

gifts that are your own: here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es;

heart and mind and strength we bring; give us grace to

love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
 2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
 3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
 4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,



we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
 we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
 we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
 and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
 and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
 and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
 and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.

May the Love of the Lord 549

唯願神的愛撫慰你的靈



May the love of the Lord rest up-on your soul.
唯願神的愛撫慰你的靈。



May God's love dwell in you, through-out ev-ery day.
每時刻他的愛住在你心裡，



May God's coun-tenance shine up-on you and be gra-cious to you.
他的榮光照耀你，慈愛伴隨你，



May God's Spir-it be up-on you as you leave this place.
無論何處他的靈都永遠伴隨你。