



Agnus Dei.

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
January 18, 2026 // 10am

**ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE**

**PRELUDE**

**RINGING THE BELL & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**GREETING**

One: The God of life be with you.

**All: And also with you!**

**GATHERING SONG** #399 *God Welcomes All*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Lena D'Addona

One: Look! The Lamb of God,

**All: who takes away the sin of the world.**

One: Come and see the One God has sent.

**All: We come with questions, curiosity, and hope.**

One: Come and see where love abides.

**All: We come to worship, to listen, and to follow.**

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

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

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Rev. Cathy C. Hoop

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All:** Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, yet we cling to our guilt, our fear, and our pride. We confess that we do not always follow when you say, "Come and see." We confess that we turn away when the path is unclear. We confess that we participate in the brokenness you came to heal. Forgive us, O God. Take from us what does not give life. Make room in us for grace, for courage, and for trust. By your mercy, restore us. Amen.

**AGNUS DEI** #602 *Holy Lamb of God*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\*GLORIA PATRI** #581

**All:** Glory be to the one God, the holy, undivided Trinity.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.  
World without end. Amen. Amen.

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.  
**All:** And also with you.

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

**TIME WITH CHILDREN** # 468 *In My Life*

**ANTHEM** *Agnus Dei (2020)*

Jay Althouse

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SCRIPTURE READING** John 1:29-42

One: The word of God for the people of God.  
**Many:** Thanks be to God.

**SERMON**

Rev. Dr. Paul Van Kempen

**\*HYMN** #442 *Just as I Am, without One Plea*

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

### **LIFE AT FIRST**

*Please take this time to sign the red Friendship Pad found on the pew near you. If you have a prayer request, you are invited to fill out a prayer card (found in the pew-backs) and put it in the offering plate. The ushers will deliver it to the pastors.*

### **INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

### **OFFERTORY**

#### **\*DOXOLOGY #606**

**All: Praise God whose image we all bear.  
Praise Christ whose mercy we all share.  
Praise Spirit making justice grow.  
One God from whom all blessings flow. Amen.**

#### **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

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

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

#### **\*HYMN #726 *Will You Come and Follow Me***

## CARRYING GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

### **\*BENEDICTION**

#### **\*SENDING SONG #540 *Farewell, Good Friends!***

Our worshipping community extends beyond our sanctuary.  
Let us hold in our prayers the following members:

Ellen Cuthbertson – Grand Pines Assisted Living  
Lenore & Gordon DePree – Farmstead Assisted Living  
Dean Effken – Riley’s Grove in Zeeland  
Bill Evenson - Home  
Judy & Jack Faber – Farmstead Assisted Living  
Mickey & Neal Harris - Home  
JoAnn Karn – MediLodge Zeeland (Rm 301)  
Marianne & David McBeth - Home  
Jeanine Roberts – Home  
Carolyn Russell – Resthaven Maplewoods

Phil Sturdevant – Resthaven Care Center  
Mary Ann & Mike Van Houzen - Home  
Sue & Don Williams - Freedom Village  
Ron Williams – Michigan Veteran’s Home,  
Grand Rapids

If you know of someone who should be added to this list, please contact the church office.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MLK Day** // In honor of Martin Luther King Day, Jemar Tisby will be speaking at Hope College, Dimnent Memorial Chapel on Monday, January 19 at 7:00pm. Jemar Tisby is a New York Times bestselling author, national speaker, and public historian on a mission to deliver truths from the Black experience with depth and clarity.

**Common Threads Group** // Next meeting is January 19. We meet the third Monday of each month from 1-3pm in the Ontario room. Come and go as you are able

**Charity Sew-In Opportunity** // Tuesday, January 20th, 10 am – 3 pm at FPC. Big Red Quilters’ Guild (BRQG) of Holland is grateful to First Presbyterian Church for the opportunity to have some storage and meeting space for their Outreach Committee. The BRQG Outreach Committee and BRQG members make quilts to donate to Lakeshore Pregnancy, Hope Packages, Resilience and sometimes others as need arises. The guild members donated 110 quilts January – July of 2025! The BRQG Outreach Committee invites First Presbyterian members who like to sew to their Sew-In event on Tuesday, January 20, from 10-3 downstairs in the fellowship hall. Or just stop in to say, hi and see what it’s all about! Fabric and kits will be available to sew; you can make a few blocks or work on a whole quilt. Bring your own machine and sewing basics if you want to sew.

Other opportunities include: ironing blocks and cutting fabrics for kits. Irons and ironing boards will be available. Bring your cutting mat and rotary cutter if you want to help cut fabric. If you have any questions, contact Janet Haines, 989-400-2998 or janethaines24@gmail.com.

**Young Families Sledding** // January 21. Watch for details.

**FPC Talent / Untalent Show** // FPC will be hosting a Talent/ Untalent Show on January 25 at 3pm. You can perform by yourself, with a friend, or a group. Skits, musical performances, etc. Presentations need to be five minutes or less. Not a performer? Sign up to display a sample of your quilting, painting, woodworking, etc. Sign up sheets are available in the entryway! If you would like to bring a special dessert for the reception following the show please sign up in the lobby. Please email Cindy Helder with your questions, [cindyloubear6@gmail.com](mailto:cindyloubear6@gmail.com) or call 616-848-7204.

**Community-Wide Song and Prayer** // Celebrating together the International Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Sunday, January 25, 2026 at 5pm at Maranatha Church ( 918 Central Ave., Holland) For more information go to [www. CUSPholland.org](http://www.CUSPholland.org).

**Annual Meeting** // The FPC Annual Meeting will take place in four weeks, Sunday, February 1, immediately following the service.

**Holland Community Theatre** // Join us to see *Mom's Gift* at HCT on Valentine's Day, February 14 at 7:30pm. Optional dinner at the Curraugh at 5:00pm. \$18 Tickets are payable in advance to Chris Urbaniak. Sign-up in the narthex. *Mom's Gift*, A year after her death, Mom shows up as a ghost with a mission—she has to accomplish one final task to earn her wings. The Problem? She doesn't know what that task is, and only her uptight daughter can see or hear her. As buried secrets, heartfelt revelations, and unexpected humor unfold, the family must confront the past to move forward. *Mom's Gift* is a touching, funny, and uplifting story about forgiveness, love and the enduring bonds of family – even beyond the grave.

### **Justice Reads: A New FPC Book Group**

For: Everyone

Time & Date: 7:00 pm, February 26th, FPC Cafe

First Read: *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents* by Isabel Wilkerson, winner of the Pulitzer Prize and the National Humanities Medal

Beyond race, class, or other factors, there is a powerful caste system that influences people's lives and behavior and the nation's fate. Linking the caste systems of America, India, and Nazi Germany, Isabel Wilkerson explores eight pillars that underlie caste systems across civilizations, including divine will, bloodlines, stigma, and more. Using riveting stories about people—including Martin Luther King, Jr., baseball's Satchel Paige, a single father and his toddler son, Wilkerson herself, and many others—she shows the ways that the insidious undertow of caste is experienced every day. Finally, she points forward to ways America can move beyond the artificial and destructive separations of human divisions, toward hope in our common humanity. For more information, contact Jan Brashler or Cathy Hoop.

**Women's Retreat** // Join us on Saturday, February 28, for a rollicking time of coffee, snacks, and laughter. We will engage in teaching, introspection and conversation as we explore Hannah's story from 1 Samuel 1. Rev. Barb Schreur will be our speaker. Cost is \$40 per person which includes lunch and beverages. We hope to see you there. It's an event you won't want to miss. Brochures including registration form are available in the church office as well as on the home page of the FPC website. Contact Rev. Cathy C. Hoop, [cathy@fpcholland.org](mailto:cathy@fpcholland.org) -or- Carleen Baur, [carleenbauer@gmail.com](mailto:carleenbauer@gmail.com) with questions.

## **Discovering The Health Benefits of Taiji (Tai Chi)**

9 Week Taiji Class Series

When: Begins Tuesday January 20 from 5:30pm-6:30pm

Where: First Presbyterian Church

Cost: \$135.00 includes access to free online practice and lesson videos

Taiji is a natural exercise to do and is one of the most effective workouts today to enhance mobility as it brings relaxation. Taiji is an uplifting form of exercise for the Body & Mind promoting overall health & well-being. Known as an internal martial art, it is often called "meditation in motion". It has evolved over the years into an effective way to relieve stress and anxiety because it promotes relaxation and now well known for improving balance.

It is an Exercise for Every Age. This exciting class series is perfect for beginners and those who wish to go deeper into their practice.

Teacher Chris Campbell, M.T.J.E.T , shares his expertise & energy of 39 plus years experience studying & sharing the healing arts of Taiji, qigong and meditation.



Feel free to contact Chris with any questions, [chris@timefortaiji.com](mailto:chris@timefortaiji.com)  
– OR – Scan the QR Code

# God Welcomes All

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God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

# 301 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

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

## Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)  
Gm C7 B $\flat$  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 $\flat$

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 $\flat$  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 $\flat$  F

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

# God Welcomes All

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God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

# 540 Farewell, Good Friends!

*Shalom, chaverim!*

Dm

Fare - well, good friends! Fare - well, good friends! Sha -  
Sha - lom, cha - ve - rim! Sha - lom, cha - ve - rot! Sha -

Gm C7 Dm

lom, sha - lom! Till we meet a - gain, till we  
lom, sha - lom! Le - hit - ra - ot, le -

Gm A7 Dm

meet a - gain, sha - lom, sha - lom.  
hit - ra - ot, sha - lom, sha - lom.

# Holy Lamb of God

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*Ya hamalallah*

Dm Gm Dm

Ho - ly Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
Ya ha - ma - lal - lah al - ha - mel kha - ta - yal

Bb A7 Dm

sin of the world. Have mer - cy on us.  
'a - lam: ir - ham - na.

Dm Gm Dm

Ho - ly Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
Ya ha - ma - lal - lah al - ha - mel kha - ta - yal

Bb A A7 Bb

sin of the world. Grant us your peace;  
'a - lam: im - nah - nas - sa - lam, im -

Gm7 A A7 D

grant us your peace; nah - nas - sa - lam,  
grant us your peace. im - nah - nas - sa - lam.

# Glory Be to the Father

581

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the

The first system of music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef and the bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are 'Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the'.

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

The second system of music continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are 'Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -'.

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

The third system of music continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are 'gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,'.

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The fourth system of music concludes the piece. The lyrics are 'world with - out end. A - men, a - men.' The piece ends with a double bar line and a fermata over the final notes.

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# In My Life

## Lord, Be Glorified



1 In my life, Lord, be glo-ri - fied; be glo - ri - fied.  
 2 In our song, Lord, be glo-ri - fied; be glo - ri - fied.  
 3 In your church, Lord, be glo-ri - fied; be glo - ri - fied.  
 4 In your world, Lord, be glo-ri - fied; be glo - ri - fied.



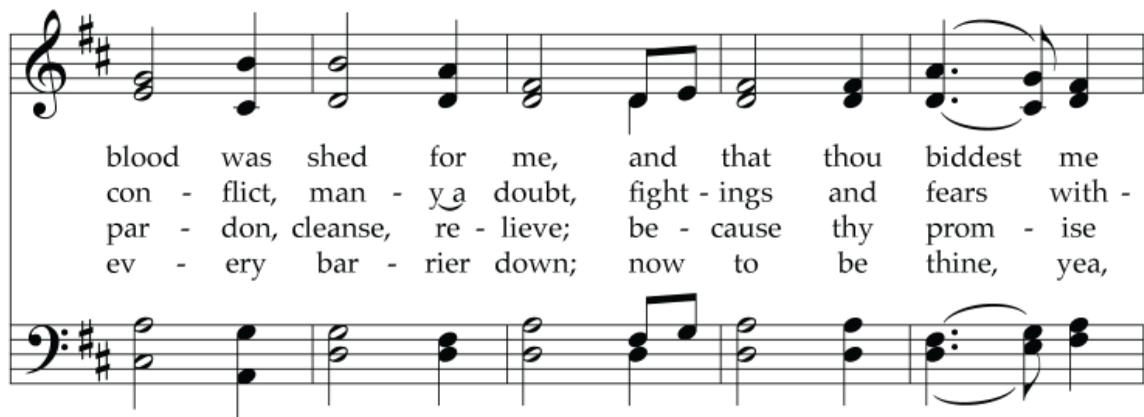
In my life, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.  
 In our song, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.  
 In your church, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.  
 In your world, Lord, be glo-ri - fied to - day.



# 442 Just as I Am, without One Plea



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea but that thy  
2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - y a  
3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come,  
4 Just as I am, thy love un-known has bro - ken



blood was shed for me, and that thou biddest me  
con - flict, man - y a doubt, fight - ings and fears with -  
par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise  
ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,



come to thee,  
in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!  
I be - lieve,  
thine a - lone,

# 726 Will You Come and Follow Me

## The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)  
F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C



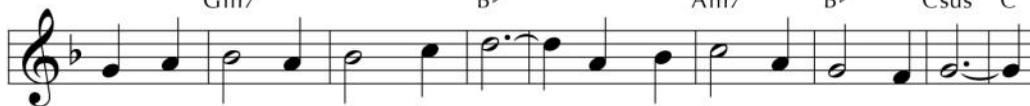
- 1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be - hind if I but call your name?
- 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?  
Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same?  
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?  
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus)(A)  
Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> Am7 B<sup>b</sup> Csus C



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,  
Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the world a - round,  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"  
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"  
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

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**Class of 2026:** Carleen Bauer, Bill Evenson  
Cassie Kregger, Bruce Rosensteel, Tim Staal

**Class of 2027:** Jen Laux Ludwig, Tom Salley

**Class of 2028:** Jon Kreple, Lauren Stouffer,  
Chris Urbaniak

### **Children's Programming During Worship:**

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. Available for the whole service.
- Celebration Time - 4 years of age through 1st grade. Available after Children's Time.

### **Education Offerings After Worship:**

Education hour is from 11:15a -12:00p. *All are welcome to participate!*

- Adult Class - Michigan Room
- Youth - Youth Room
- Worship Center - PreK - 5th grade
- Nursery - Newborn through 3 years

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