

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
February 15, 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 #406 *We Are Standing on Holy Ground***

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Collin Magennis

One: Come to me and wait. I will give you instructions and commandments in written form.

**All: We come to you and we wait, to see and hear what you will say.**

One: In days past, I wrote on stone tablets, but now I write my words upon your heart that you may teach them.

**All: We offer our hearts to receive your words and what we learn, we'll teach others.**

One: Heaven is open above you and the kin-dom is within you.

**All: Wherever we go, the kin-dom comes.**

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

**\*HYMN #12 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise***

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

Rev. Cathy C. Hoop

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

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All:** Loving God, we confess that waiting is not always easy for us, especially in a world where instant gratification is mistaken for blessing. You wait for us and wait on us more often than we realize. Forgive us when we rush ahead without you or grow weary and lose heart. Teach us to be strong and courageous as we wait for you and trust in your timing. Amen.

## KYRIE

Cantor:	Congregation (echo)	Translation
Kyrie eleison.	<b>Kyrie eleison.</b>	<i>Lord, have mercy.</i>
Christe eleison.	<b>Christe eleison.</b>	<i>Christ, have mercy.</i>
Kyrie eleison.	<b>Kyrie eleison.</b>	<i>Lord, have mercy</i>

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

## \*PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

**TIME WITH CHILDREN** *This Little Light of Mine* (Bulletin / Screen)

**ANTHEM** *Sacred Ground* Lyrics: Michael Eller / Music: Benjamin Harlan

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Exodus 24:12-18

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 17:1-9

One: Holy wisdom, holy word.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

\*HYMN #193 *Jesus, Take us to the Mountain* (vs. 1-3, 5)

### 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 *We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding* (Bulletin / Screen)

## CARRYING GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

### \*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING SONG #314 *Christ Be our Light* Refrain, Adapted. (Screen)

**All: Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light! Shine in your church sent out today.**

*A portion of today's liturgy was written by Rev. Teña T. Nock, and made available for congregational use. UCC worship ways.*

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**Worship Leaders:** Rev. Dr. Paul Van Kempen, Rev. Cathy Hoop, Beth Magennis, Rose Gifford, Collin Magennis, Tim Staal, FPC Choir.

**Thanks to:** Sound and Video team, Greeter and Usher team, Bus Drivers, M&M Café Providers, Nursery Care Providers

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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

**Good Samaritan** // Tracey from Good Samaritan will join us this morning to give a short presentation about the Circles program. She will stay after the service to talk to anyone who would like more information.

**Ash Wednesday** // As the season of Lent begins, a time for reflection, gratitude and hope, we invite you to join us for worship and the imposition of ashes on **Wednesday, February 18, at 12 Noon.**

**Lenten Devotional: *The Work of Imagination*** // Lenten devotionals will be available online and in print. Resources for adults, youth, and children will be available before Ash Wednesday, February 18th.

**Lenten Book Study** // Join us Sunday, February 22 at 11:15am in the Michigan Room as we study the book, *Turning Over Tables*, by Kathy Escobar. Books will be available today.

**Note from our bookkeeper** // All end of year giving statements that were not picked up at church have been mailed out. Please contact the bookkeeper ([marlene@fpcholland.org](mailto:marlene@fpcholland.org)) if you have not received yours or if you have any questions. Thank you.

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

For: Everyone // Time & Date: 7:00 pm, February 26, 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. Brochures including registration form are available in the church office. Contact Rev. Cathy C. Hoop or Carleen Baur with questions.

**Dinners For Seven** // If you would like to join a small group of people for a meal and conversation, sign up for the next gathering on Saturday, March 14th at 6:00pm. You are invited to also indicate if you would like to host one of the meals (host provides the main dish and others bring supporting dishes). Young families will be reimbursed for childcare. If you have any questions, call Chris Urbaniak.

### **Calendar Items //**

**Common Threads** // Plan to meet February 16 at FPC from 1:00-3:00pm in the Ontario room.

**Men's Discussion Group** // Plan to meet February 20 at 7:30am in the M&M Cafe.

**Grief Group** // Plan to meet at FPC February 25 at 2:00pm in the Superior Room. All are welcome.

**Save the Date** // Calling all campers, kayak/canoers! We're excited to announce the date for this year's Paddle Weekend, July 10-12, 2026. We will return to Mystery Creek Campground (9570 Wisner Ave, Newaygo, MI 49337) Our day on the river will be Saturday, July 11. We'd love to have you join us! It's a wonderful way to spend time outdoors growing friendships and having fun! Watch for more details. Colleen Ball can answer your questions.

# We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

Carl P. Daw Jr.

BEECHER

We have come at Christ's own bid-ding to this high and ho - ly place,  
Light breaks through our clouds and shad-ows; splen-dor bathes the flesh-joined Word;  
Strength-ened by this glimpse of glo - ry, fear - ful lest our faith de - cline,

where we wait with hope and long-ing for some to - ken of God's grace.  
Mo - ses and E - li - jah mar - vel as the heaven-ly voice is heard.  
we like Pe - ter find it tempt-ing to re - main and build a shrine.

Here we pray for new as - sur-ance that our faith is not in vain,  
Eyes and hearts be - hold with won-der how the law and proph-ets meet.  
But true wor-ship gives us cour-age to pro-claim what we pro - fess,

search-ing like those first dis - ci - ples for a sign both clear and plain.  
Christ, with gar-ments drenched in bright-ness, stands trans-fig-ured and com-plete.  
that our dai - ly lives may prove us peo - ple of the God we bless.



# 406 We Are Standing on Holy Ground

## Holy Ground

Chords: G, D, A, D, G, D, Em

Lyrics: We are stand - ing on ho - ly ground,

Chords: D, G, F#m, F#m7, B7

Lyrics: and I know that there are an - gels all a -

Chords: E, Gm, D, A7, D, G

Lyrics: round; let us praise Je - sus

Chords: D, Em, F#m7, G, D, G

Lyrics: now; we are stand - ing in his

Chords: D, Em7, D, G, D

Lyrics: pres - ence on ho - ly ground.

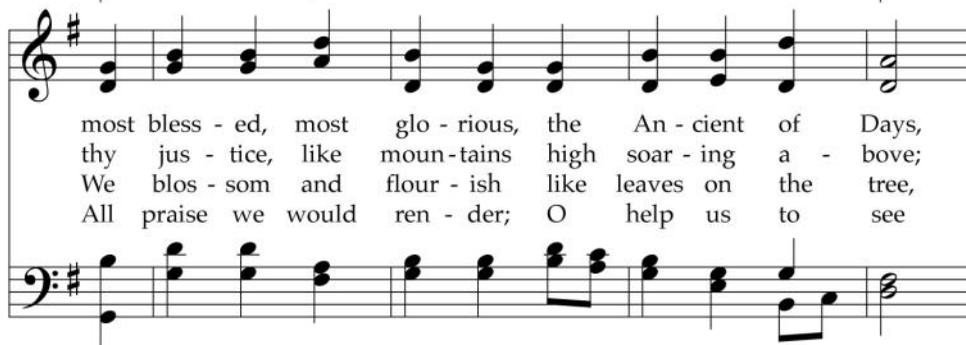
# Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12



1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.



in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:  
In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.  
Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

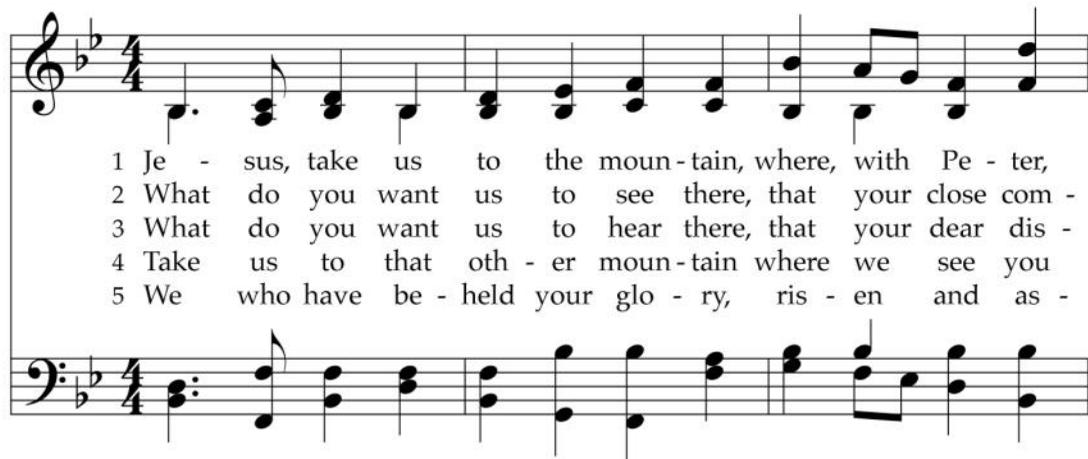


most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;  
We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see



al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

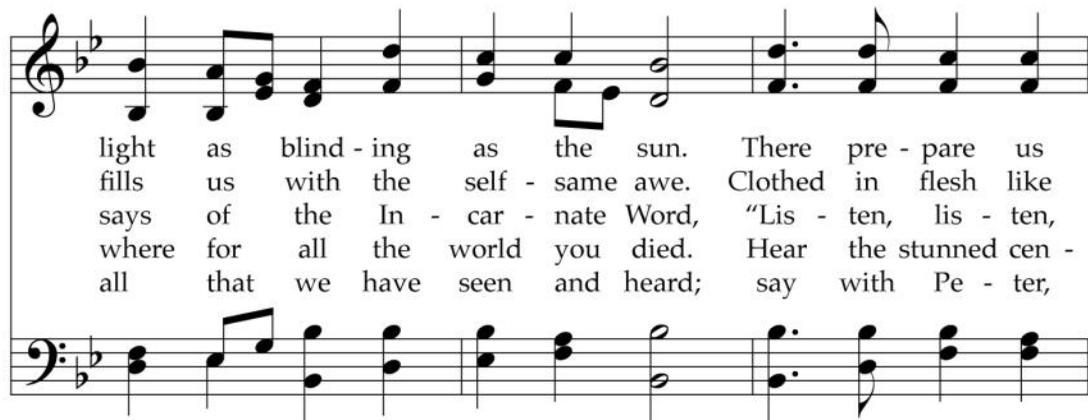
# 193 Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain



1 Je - sus, take us to the moun - tain, where, with Pe - ter,  
2 What do you want us to see there, that your close com -  
3 What do you want us to hear there, that your dear dis -  
4 Take us to that oth - er moun - tain where we see you  
5 We who have be - held your glo - ry, ris - en and as -



James, and John, we are daz - zled by your glo - ry,  
pan - ions saw? Your di - vin - i - ty re - vealed there  
ci - ples heard? Once a - gain the voice from heav - en  
glo - ri - fied, where you shout - ed "It is fin - ished!"  
cend - ed Lord, can - not help but tell the sto - ry,



light as blind - ing as the sun. There pre - pare us  
fills us with the self - same awe. Clothed in flesh like  
says of the In - car - nate Word, "Lis - ten, lis - ten,  
where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned cen -  
all that we have seen and heard; say with Pe - ter,

## 193 Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are printed below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The lyrics are: 'for the night by the vi - sion of that sight. ours you go, matched to meet our dead - liest foe. ev - ery - one: this is my be - lov - ed Son.' tur - i - on: 'Tru - ly this was God's own Son!' James, and John: 'You are God's be - lov - ed Son!'

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# Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)  
 B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> 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<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> 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.

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**Class of 2027:** Kristin Goddard, Lloyd Helder,  
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**Class of 2028:** Cathy Colten, Gail Hering,  
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**Class of 2029:** Carleen Bauer, Marti Disler,  
Mark Van Oostenburg

## ELDERS:

**Class of 2026:** Luke Rund-Scott (Youth)

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

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

**Class of 2029:** Alana Cocanour, Paula Perkins

### **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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