



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

ORDER OF WORSHIP  
More Light Sunday  
June 14, 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**

*Come as You Are* (Bulletin/Slides)

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come, beloved community, for we are gathered in the presence of the One who made us in love.

**All: We come as we are — diverse, beautiful, whole, and becoming.**

One: God calls us from every place, every identity, every story.

**All: In Christ, there is no longer Jew or Greek, slave or free, male or female — we are one.**

One: Let us worship the God whose welcome knows no bounds.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

**\*HYMN**

*For all the Children* (Bulletin/Slides)

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All:** Loving God, we confess that we have sometimes failed to see your image in our neighbors.  
We have turned away from those who are different from us.  
We have been silent when we should have spoken, and spoken when we should have listened.  
Forgive us, God.  
Renew us in your Spirit,  
that we may live as people of welcome and peace.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**One:** Hear the good news: God's love is wider than our fears, deeper than our failures, and stronger than death.  
In Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and made whole.  
**All:** **Thanks be to God!**

## \*PASSING THE PEACE

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

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

### TIME WITH CHILDREN

*All Are Welcome (Slides)*

### INVITATIONAL CHOIR

*Draw the Circle Wide*

Gordon Light and Mark Miller

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

**One:** The Word of God for the People of God.  
**All:** **Thanks be to God!**

**One:** Holy wisdom, holy Word.  
**All:** **Thanks be to God!**

### SERMON

Rev. Barb Schreur

## **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**All: We believe in you, God,  
who calls the worlds into being,  
who creates every person in your image,  
and who binds us together in love.  
We believe in Jesus Christ,  
who came to bring good news to all people,  
lifting up the marginalized,  
and breaking down walls of division.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
who moves among us,  
uniting us in one body,  
and sending us out to live with courage and compassion.  
We are the Church,  
open and affirming,  
trusting in God's grace and committed to God's justice.**

**\*HYMN**      *Draw a Wider Circle* (Bulletin/Slides)

## **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

**All:** God of plenty,  
Bless these gifts, and the ones who gave.  
May our circle of giving and receiving draw us close  
with each one's gift cherished and each one's needs met. Amen.

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

## CARRYING GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING SONG *Bind us Together* (Bulletin/Slides)

*Liturgy Resources: UCC Worship Ways*

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**Worship Leaders:** Rev. Cathy Hoop, Rev. Barb Schreur, Rev. Dr. Paul Van Kempen,  
Beth Magennis, FPC Choir, Rose Gifford

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# Come as You Are

Sr. Deidre Brown

♩ = 120

D D/F# G A D D/F#

1. Come as you are, that's how I want you. Come as you are,
2. No need to fear, love sets no lim - its No need to fear,
3. I came to call you, not just the vir-tuous. I came to bring peace,
4. Come as you are, that's how I love you. Come as you are,

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G A D/F# Bm G

feel quite at home. Close to my heart, loved and for -  
love ne - ver ends. Don't run a - way, shamed and dis -  
not to con - demn. Each time you fail, to live by my  
trust me a - gain. No - thing can change, the love that I

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A D D/F# A D

giv - en. why stand a - lone.  
heart-ened. Rest in my love, trust me a - gain.  
pro - mise. Why do you think, I'd love you the less?  
bear you. All will be well, just come as you are.

# For All the Children



1. God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -  
2. Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be  
3. Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and  
4. God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and



bove, and we dare to claim the pro - mise of Your love.  
free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,  
shame so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.  
wide, can live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.



Though the day may not yet be here, we trust it soon will  
that they nev - er have a rea - son to doubt that they are  
May the mess - age now be ban - ished that Your love is for the  
As they grow in strength and sta - ture, may they join us hand in



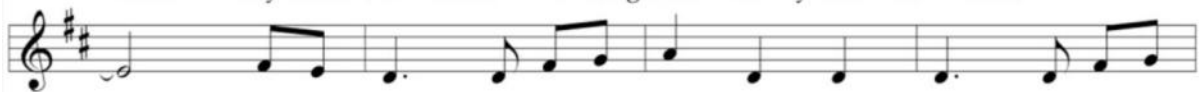
be, when your chil - dren will be free.  
blest. May they, in Your love, find rest.  
few, may their faith in You re - new.  
hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.



O, may our hearts and minds be o - pened, fling the church doors o - pen



wide. May there be room e - nough for ev - 'ry - one in - side.



For in God there is a wel - come, in God we all be -



long. May that wel - come be our song.

# DRAW A WIDER CIRCLE

NOËL NOUVELET  
French carol

Adam M. L. Tice



1. Draw a wid - er cir - cle— or, per-haps, e - rase.  
2. Plan - ets spin in or - bit, cen - tered on a star;  
3. Do we meas - ure mar - gins just to feel se - cure,



Spi - ral toward God's cen - ter, grav - i - ty of grace.  
some will cir - cle close - ly, some re - volve a - far.  
cast - ing out the dif - f'rent, hop - ing to be pure?



Raze for - mer fenc - es mark - ing out and in—  
From an - y dis - tance light il - lu - mines each.  
Christ is our cen - ter— boun - d'ry lines must fall.



ho - ly and un - ho - ly, sanc - ti - ty and sin.  
Through the void of dark - ness none is out of reach.  
God's light flows un - hin - dered; grace a - bounds for all.

# Bind Us Together

Isaac Wardell, Kate Bluett, Paul Zach, Nick Chambers, Leslie Jordan



Bind us to - ge - ther with - in Your love.  
Bind us to - ge - ther and be our peace.  
Bind us to - ge - ther and give us hope.  
Bind us to - ge - ther and make us one.



Bind us to - ge - ther with - in Your ho - ly love.  
Bind us to - ge - ther and be our per - fect peace.  
Bind us to - ge - ther and give us end - less hope.  
Bind us to - ge - ther and make us tru - ly one.



As we share in our sorrows we will share in Your joy.  
Though the temp - est may rage, we will rest in Your joy.  
Though our tears were our bread, we will feast in Your joy.  
In Your love, in Your peace, in Your hope, in Your joy,



Bind us to - ge - ther in love.  
Bind us to - ge - ther in peace.  
Bind us to - ge - ther in hope.  
Bind us to - ge - ther as one.

# We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em)  
Fm Cm Fm

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,

(Am) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m Fm

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,

(Am) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m Fm

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:

*Refrain* (C) (Em)  
D<sup>b</sup> Fm

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

(Am) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Am/E) (Em)  
B<sup>b</sup>m Fm B<sup>b</sup>m Cm Fm B<sup>b</sup>m/F Fm

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Wired Word** // The Wired Word takes place today at 11:15am in the Michigan Room. We gather to discuss current events through the lens of faith. If you would like to receive the topic and materials ahead of time, contact Cathy.

**Congregational Meeting** // A congregational meeting will be held today immediately following the service to approve a change in the terms of call for Rev. Cathy C. Hoop. All are welcome to attend, but you do need to be a member to vote.

**Justice Reads: FPC Book Group** // Everyone is welcome! Our next meeting is June 18, in the M&M Café from 7:00-8:30pm. We are reading, *As Long as Grass Grows: The Indigenous Fight for Environmental Justice* by Dina Gilio-Whitake. Questions? Contact Pastor Cathy.

**FPC Bus Assistant Needed** // The Sunday morning bus service to 4 facilities in Holland needs a new assistant beginning in September. An assistant helps riders onto and off the bus and secures an Amigo (mobility vehicle) to the floor of the bus to and from the church service. The bus leaves the parking lot at 9:00am for pick-ups and gives riders 15 minutes after the service ends to have a cup of coffee, a cookie and time to share with friends before heading home. The bus is usually back in the parking lot by 11:45. There are 4 full-time teams and one floater team so that it only requires your service once a month. If you might be interested, let Chris Urbaniak know and she can arrange a ride-a-long so you can experience the commitment. It's an enjoyable time with riders who really appreciate the service.

**Styrofoam Recycling at FPC ... Volunteers Needed** // The good news: Our congregation has enthusiastically participated in keeping recyclable foam out of the landfill. The bad news: with only two volunteers handling this overwhelming collection, we could use your help. The material is extremely lightweight and the drop off location is in Byron Center. Please contact Jon Kreple [jskreple@gmail.com](mailto:jskreple@gmail.com) or Nancy Kreple [nkreple@gmail.com](mailto:nkreple@gmail.com) for more information.

**Out on the Lakeshore PRIDE Celebration** // June 27 from 12-5pm at Kollen Park. Out On The Lakeshore is proud to present the Holland PRIDE Festival at Kollen Park! Join us for an afternoon of fabulous entertainment, food trucks, merchandise vendors, resource booths, and activities for all ages. If you would like to volunteer at the FPC PRIDE tent, please see Chris Urbaniak. We always need help with set up and take down, but the most fun is welcoming folks to our booth where they can design their own buttons. Come help us spread the word that God loves ALL! Visit <https://outonthelakeshore.org/holland-pride/> for more details.

**FPC Talent Show** // FPC is hosting a Talent / UnTalent show on Sunday, June 28 at 12:15 following a light lunch at 11:30. You can perform by yourself, with a friend, or a group. You can perform skits, musical members, magic tricks, ect. Performances must be FIVE MINUTES OR LESS. Not a performer? You will be able to sign up to display your talents such as quilts, woodworking, ect. This will be a day of fun and laughter! Sign up in the Narthex. Contact Cindy Helder with your questions: cindyloubear6@gmail.com or 616-848-7204 or text 989-859-2257.

**Deacons Summer' Picnic** // Monday, July 13 from 11:00am—1:00pm, the deacons invite seniors to join us for a catered picnic lunch at the Dunton Park (290 Howard Ave, Holland, MI 49424 ) main pavilion. Sign up in the narthex or via email to deacons@fpcholland.org.

**Save the Date** // As you start making summer plans, consider joining us at Mystery Creek Campground for our paddle weekend, July 10-12. Come and camp or come for just the day - paddle or just hang out with us. It's a wonderful way to spend time outdoors growing friendships and having fun! Stay tuned for more details.

**Save the Date** // The Annual Shrimp Boil will be held on July 18th at the Rund-Scott's. Stay tuned for more details.



**Peace Camp is just around the corner!** Wild Wonder Camp takes place June 22-26 from 9:00-11:45am each day. We welcome campers k-6th grade (entering in the fall) and teen helpers from 7-12th grade.

**Wild Wonder Camp is totally free!**  
**Follow the QR Code register.**

We are looking forward to another great week where we learn how to care for creation! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out!

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

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**Class of 2028:** Jon Kreple, Lauren Stouffer,  
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**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! Please note Education Hour is on summer break for children and youth and will resume in September.*

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

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