



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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 19, 2026 // 10am

CENTERING WORDS:

“Once there was a little bunny who wanted to run away.

So he said to his mother, ‘I am running away.’

‘If you run away,’ said his mother, ‘I will run after you. For you are my little bunny.’”

~ *The Runaway Bunny*, Margret Wise Brown

ENTERING GOD’S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

RINGING THE BELL & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

GREETING

One: One: The God of life be with you.

All: And also with you!

GATHERING SONG *God is Love* (Bulletin/Slides)

Tim Staal

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Chris Urbaniak

One: From the first light of morning to the quiet of night,

All: God is with us.

One: On the mountaintop and in the valley, by the sea and in the wilderness,

All: God is with us.

One: In our moments of struggle and in our songs of joy,

All: God is with us.

One: There is nowhere we can go where God is not already present.

Come, let us worship the One who knows us, loves us,

and is always with us.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

*OPENING PRAYER

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

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Rev. Cathy C. Hoop

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Search us, O God, and know our hearts. You know the words we wish we had never spoken, and the silence where love should have spoken instead. You know where pride has taken root, where resentment has quietly grown, where worry has crowded out trust, and where fear has kept us from the fullness of your way. Lead us once more in the way everlasting, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***PASSING THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN #487 *These Treasured Children* (vs. 1)

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Poppy & Finn Sall
Sarah & Nate Sall, and Charles

Family Sponsor: Cathy & Rob Colton

PRESENTATION

THE APOSTLES' CREED

All: I believe in God, the Creator almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and
born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Creator.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

BAPTISMAL RESPONSE #486 *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 139:1-12

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Paul Van Kempen

***HYMN** #29 *O God, You Search Me*

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: Gracious God, You have blessed us in more ways than we can count. Receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and use them to share your love, your hope, and your peace with the world. Continue to shape us into a people who trust you, serve our neighbors, and walk in your way. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

One: Lord of creation, Lord of Salvation

All: Circle us with the light of your presence

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 #702** *Christ Be Beside Me*

CARRYING GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION**

SENDING SONG *Go Now in Peace* (Bulletin /Screen)

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

Thanks to: Sound and Video Tim Richardson, Greeter and Ushers, Bus Drivers,
M&M Café Providers, Kiki Leman and Nursery Care Providers

God is Love

Samuel Batt Owens

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Be - lov-ed, let us love one an - oth - er, for love is of God.

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Be - lov-ed, let us love one an - oth - er, for God is love.

Go Now in Peace

Natalie Sleeth

A Canon **B**

Go now in peace, go now in peace; may the love of

C

God sur-round you ev-ery-where, ev-ery-where you may go.

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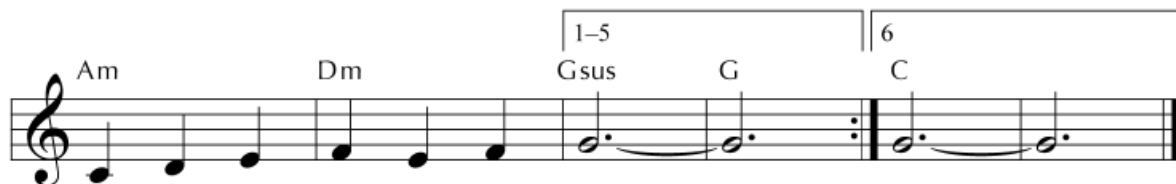
God of the Sparrow



1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
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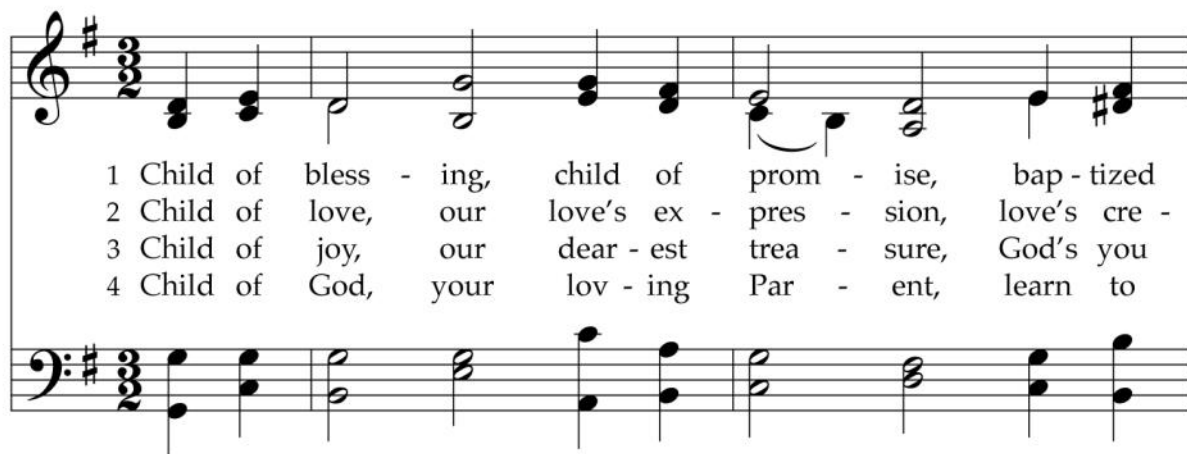
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 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy



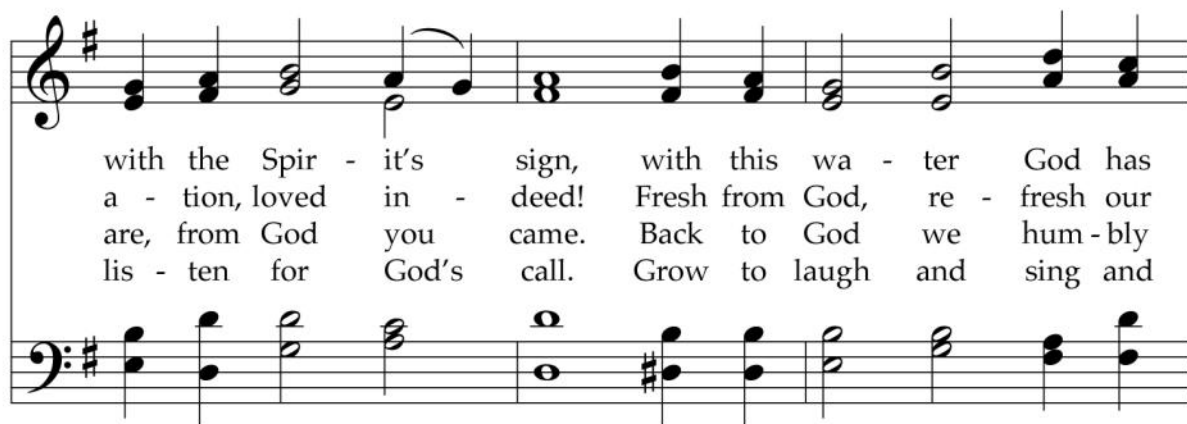
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 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say

Home

486 Child of Blessing, Child of Promise



1 Child of bless - ing, child of prom - ise, bap - tized
2 Child of love, our love's ex - pres - sion, love's cre -
3 Child of joy, our dear - est trea - sure, God's you
4 Child of God, your lov - ing Par - ent, learn to



with the Spir - it's sign, with this wa - ter God has
a - tion, loved in - deed! Fresh from God, re - fresh our
are, from God you came. Back to God we hum - bly
lis - ten for God's call. Grow to laugh and sing and



sealed you un - to love and grace di - vine.
spir - its; in - to joy and laugh - ter lead.
give you: live as one who bears Christ's name.
wor - ship; trust and love God more than all.

O God, You Search Me

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(Psalm 139)



1 O God, you search me and you know me. All my
 2 You know my rest - ing and my ris - ing. You dis -
 3 Be - fore a word is on my tongue, Lord, you have
 4 Al - though your Spir - it is up - on me, still I
 5 For you cre - at - ed me and shaped me, gave me



thoughts lie o - pen to your gaze. When I
 cern my pur - pose from a - far, and with
 known its mean - ing through and through. You are
 search for shel - ter from your light. There is
 life with - in my moth - er's womb. For the



walk or lie down you are be - fore me: ev - er the
 love ev - er - last - ing you be - siege me: in ev - ery
 with me be - yond my un - der - stand - ing: God of my
 no - where on earth I can es - cape you: e - ven the
 won - der of who I am, I praise you: safe in your



mak - er and keep - er of my days.
 mo - ment of life or death, you are.
 pres - ent, my past, and fu - ture, too.
 dark - ness is ra - diant in your sight.
 hands, all cre - a - tion is made new.

Christ Be Beside Me

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1 Christ be be - side me; Christ be be - fore me; Christ be be -
 2 Christ on my right hand, Christ on my left hand, Christ all a -
 3 Christ be in all hearts think - ing a - bout me; Christ be on



hind me, King of my heart. Christ be with - in me; Christ be be -
 round me, shield in the strife. Christ in my sleep - ing, Christ in my
 all tongues tell - ing of me. Christ be the vi - sion in eyes that



low me; Christ be a - bove me, nev - er to part.
 sit - ting, Christ in my ris - ing, Light of my life.
 see me; in ears that hear me Christ ev - er be.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Education // The Wired Word, Adult Education begins at 11:15am. If you prefer to participate virtually, check your email Sunday morning for a ZOOM link. Want to receive the lesson ahead of time? Contact Cathy, cathy@fpcholland.org.

Kid's Food Basket Work Day // Scheduled for Tuesday July 21, 2026 from 9-11:00 am at the Ottawa + Allegan Kids' Food Basket Farm located at 226 104th Ave Holland MI 49423. We will be working outdoors harvesting and whatever else needs attention at the farm. Children 5 and older are welcome to participate. Dress for the weather and expect some muddy shoes. Sunscreen and hats are encouraged. To assist with planning, Kids' Food Basket prefers each person volunteering to register individually for the shift they are volunteering for. To register, you will need to create A Kids' Food Basket account. Any questions or problems getting registered contact: Tom Salley, 616-612-8044 -or- salleyt@yahoo.com

Justice Reads: FPC Book Group // Join us July 23 at 7:00pm in the M & M Cafe to discuss, *As Long as Grass Grows* by Dina Gilio-Whitaker, a reflection on the indigenous fight for environmental justice. Questions? Contact Jan Brashler or Pastor Cathy.

Grief Support // Our next meeting will take place July 29th at 2:00pm. Contact Cathy for more information.

Outdoor Discovery Center Worship // *Please note this event will take place the SECOND Sunday of August. Join us for worship at the Outdoor Discovery Center pavilion on Sunday, August 9 at 10am. This service will be intergenerational, and all ages will be encouraged to participate! Feel free to bring your favorite lawn chair to sit in, however there are plenty of chairs and tables available in the pavilion. You are welcome to bring your own coffee! Lemonade and cookies will be served after worship. If you wish, bring a lunch to eat after the service, walk the fully accessible trails, have fun on the playground, or visit the animals and birds of prey cared for by the ODC. A reminder that this outdoor service **will not be live streamed** (not available on YouTube.) The Outdoor Discovery Center is located at 4214 56th St, on the south side of Holland.

Learn about our Labyrinth // PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN, the Bible Study and womens' unity organization of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A., invites women of FPC Holland to learn more about the unique design in the Fellowship Hall carpeting...our labyrinth! All are welcome to bring your own coffee or tea and meet downstairs on **August 5th at 9:30 am**. Our prayer labyrinth offers each individual a physical opportunity, beyond prayer or Bible study, "facilitating global unity or individual meditation." Pastor Paul will be there to introduce this tool and suggest how to integrate it into our faith practices. BYO morning drink and we will supply some tasty morning goodies. Come and have a good time and learn more about our labyrinth. *Hope to see you there!*

Habitat Work Date // August 13 is the next Habitat work date. Be sure to plan accordingly as work dates fill up fast. Contact Bill Haines with questions, wehaines@icloud.com

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Tim Staal

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! 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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