

# First Presbyterian Church



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**Service for the Lord's Day**  
**February 11, 2024**  
**Transfiguration Sunday**

**8:30 & 11:00 A.M.**

## ***Welcome to worship***

\* \* \* *As a courtesy to others, please silence cell phones.* \* \* \*

## ***Gathering***

**Prelude**

Prelude on DEO GRACIAS

Healey Willan

## **Greeting and Welcome**

Please sign the *Opportunity for Friendship* register and pass it to the person next to you.

## **Opening Prayer**

**Minute for Mission**

*One Great Hour of Sharing*

## **A Litany for the Transfiguration of the Lord**

*(8:30 a.m.) Jane Hallman*

*(11:00 a.m.) Mary Huie*

*Blessed is the Lord our God, who revealed the law of Moses.*

**The Lord our God is holy!**

*Blessed is the Lord our God, who has spoken through the prophets.*

**The Lord our God is holy!**

*Blessed is the Lord our God, who came to us in Jesus Christ.*

**The Lord our God is holy!**

*The one who spoke and called light out of darkness  
now shines in our hearts.*

**The Lord our God is holy!**

*The one who comes and does not keep silence now speaks in our midst.*

**The Lord our God is holy!**

*Great God of dazzling beauty and overshadowing majesty, in Jesus  
Christ, your beloved, we glimpse the image of your glory. Teach us to  
listen to him so that we may hear your voice and follow your holy way;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.*

**Amen.**

◆ Please rise as you are able, in body or in spirit.

**Call to Reconciliation**

*Jesus said: "Nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not come to light." Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.*

**Unison Prayer of Confession**

**God of compassion, in Jesus Christ you reveal the light of your glory, but we turn away, distracted by our own plans. We confess that we speak when we should listen, and act when we should wait. Forgive our aimless enthusiasms. Grant us wisdom to live in your light and to follow in the way of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

**Silent Confession****Kyrie**

Anne Krentz Organ

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.  
 Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.  
 Ky - ri - e e lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

**Words of Life**

*The one who calls light out of darkness now shines in our hearts to reveal the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. My friends, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.*

♦ **Gloria Patri**

GREATOR EX

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the  
 Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -  
 gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,  
 world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

## Time for Young Worshipers

### ◆ Passing of the Peace

*The peace of Christ be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Let us share a sign of the peace of Christ with one another!*

## The Word

### Prayer for Illumination

**God of shining splendor, your voice makes the earth tremble in wonder. Overshadow us with your Spirit so that we may hear your Word and live as faithful disciples and covenant people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### Reading from the Gospels

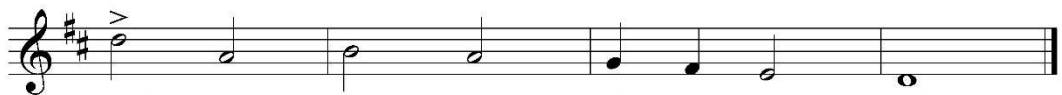
Mark 9:2-9

### Gospel Acclamation

WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET



Sing out, ring out! Ju-bi-la-tion, ex-ul-ta-tion: Tell the sto-ry!



Praise to Christ, who reigns in glo - ry!

### Reading from the Epistles

2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 4:3-6

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

### Message

*Eyes of Faith*

Rev. T.J. Parlette

## Our Response

### ◆ Hymn 193

Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain

UNSER HERRSCHER

### ◆ Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed (traditional)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,**

**Maker of heaven and earth,**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayers of the People

*Lord, by your Spirit ...*

**grant what we ask.**

## The Lord's Prayer *(using 'debts' and 'debtors')*

## Invitation to the Offering

## Offertory

*(8:30 a.m.)*

II. Intermezzo, from *Triptych*

Craig Phillips

*(11:00 a.m.)*

My Eternal King

K. Lee Scott

I love thee, Lord, but not because I hope for heaven thereby,  
nor yet for fear that loving not I might forever die;  
but for that thou didst all the world upon the cross embrace;  
for us didst bear the nails and spear, and manifold disgrace,  
and griefs and torments numberless, and sweat of agony;  
e'en death itself; and all for one who was thine enemy.  
Then why, most loving Jesus Christ, should I not love thee well,  
not for the sake of winning heaven, nor any fear of hell;  
not with the hope of gaining aught, not seeking a reward;  
but as thyself hast loved me, O eve loving Lord!  
E'en so I love thee, and will love, and in thy praise will sing,  
solely because thou art my God and my eternal King!

Text: 17th c. Spanish, trans. Caswall, adapt. Dearmer

Chancel Choir

## ◆ Offertory Response

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## ◆ Unison Prayer of Dedication

**Gracious God, we offer our gifts and we give you thanks for  
the light of love around us and the fire of faith within us. As  
we go, we move forward; let our lives reflect the One who is  
the image of your glory: Jesus Christ, the light of the world.  
Amen.**

## *Sending*

## ◆ Hymn 190

Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

GENEVA

## ◆ Benediction

## Postlude

III. Antiphon, from *Triptych*

Craig Phillips

The flowers are given in loving memory of Dave and Todd Ellefson  
by Char and Scott Ellefson.

# Stained Glass Window

What is happening around FPC ...  
Week of February 11, 2024

## This Week's Calendar

- ✦ **Sunday, February 11, 2024**  
Worship—8:30am in-person  
Message: *Eyes of Faith*,  
Rev. T.J. Parlette  
Christian Formation & Fellowship—9:30am  
Kerygma Class—South Fireside Room  
Book Discussion—Sheldon Jackson Lounge  
Worship—11am in-person & livestreamed
- ✦ **Tuesday, February 13, 2024**  
Kitchen Guild—9:30am  
Esther Circle—1pm  
Pancake Dinner—5:30pm
- ✦ **Wednesday, February 14, 2024**  
Prayer Shawl Group—1pm  
FPC @ Friendship Place—4pm & 7pm  
Calvin Choir—4:45pm  
Ash Wednesday Soup Dinner—5:30pm  
Main Menu: Simple Soup & Breads  
Ash Wednesday Worship Service—6:30pm
- ✦ **Thursday, February 15, 2024**  
Jubilate Deo—6pm  
Chancel Choir—7pm
- ✦ **Saturday, February 17, 2024**  
Ruth Circle—10am
- ✦ **Sunday, February 18, 2024**  
Worship—8:30am in-person  
Message: *Standing Right Alongside God*,  
Rev. T.J. Parlette  
Christian Formation & Fellowship—9:30  
Kerygma Class—South Fireside Room  
Current Events—Sheldon Jackson Lounge  
Worship & Communion—11am  
in-person & livestreamed
- ✦ **Monday, February 19, 2024**  
President's Day—the church office  
will be closed

### February 14 6:30pm Sanctuary

Mark the beginning of this Lenten season of repentance and preparation at the traditional Ash Wednesday Communion Service with the dispensation of ashes and nails.



**SHROVE TUESDAY**  
**Pancake Dinner - 5:30pm**  
February 13, 2024



Shrove Tuesday is the traditional feast day before the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Considered the last chance for a spot of indulgence before 40 days of fasting, this is an opportunity to use up food that can't be eaten during Lent including eggs, fat and milk.

**Ash Wednesday**

*Simple Soup Dinner*



**FEBRUARY 14 - 5:30PM**

Welcoming & Nurturing Committee  
Introduces Monthly Lunch Bunch



Join us on the last Sunday of the month at an area restaurant for a casual time for fellowship with each other— all ages. Restaurants will vary each month. Suggestions for restaurants that can seat about 25 or more are welcome. All will be responsible for their own

costs.

Our first **Lunch Bunch** gathering will be at Chester's on February 25, beginning at 12:30pm. Seating this month is limited to 22, but additional seating will available in restaurant. Sign up in the atrium by February 22.



## Our Condolences

- ✦ We offer our condolences to **Martha Jane Goodfriend** and her family on the death of her husband, **Dale Goodfriend**, on Wednesday.
- ✦ We offer our condolences to the family and friends of **Pauli Krieger**, who died on January 26

## Birthdays...

- 11 February**  
✦ Scott Ellefson
- 12 February**  
✦ Barb Depman
- 13 February**  
✦ Sam Hruska & Michelle Mueller
- 15 February**  
✦ James Claire & Micah Konkol
- 16 February**  
✦ Courtney Hruska
- 17 February**  
✦ Lyle Rozeboom

## Anniversary...

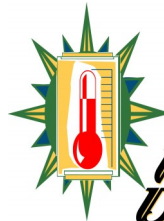
- 12 February**  
♥ Ken & Marylynne Aalderks
- 14 February**  
♥ Warren & LaDonna Fay

## FPC needs YOU! (Part 1 of 3)

- Volunteers at church are essential.
- Volunteers are the heroes of the church.
- It's simply not possible, nor should it be expected, for the pastor and staff members to meet all the needs in or outside the church.
- Without volunteers, much of the church's work would go undone.
- Volunteering at church is an excellent way for individuals to identify their gifts and develop a heart for serving others.
- By helping on Sunday mornings, we are following Christ's example of love, humility, and compassion.
- Volunteering as an usher is a great way to connect with others.

## Please prayerfully consider volunteering to help usher.

Next time we will cover the duties of being an usher. Please feel free to contact Mark Mueller (markmueller@chartermi.net) with any questions about serving as an usher.



## STEWARDSHIP 2024

**Campaign Goal:**  
**\$870,000**

*Pledge Drive*

Of our 315 giving units (individuals, couples and/or families), as of February 9, we have received 155 pledge cards totaling \$553,113.

*Jeremy Braun, Stewardship Committee*

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Thomas J. (T.J.) Parlette, Senior Pastor  
John E. Stender, Director of Music and Organist  
Lee J. Afdahl, Director of Music Emeritus  
Harry E. Coleman, Facility Manager  
Emmanuel Bogani, Custodian  
HostMargie Schaaf, Sunday Host

Cindy Kunzman, Office Manager  
Sarah A. Stender, Assistant Director of Music  
Janine M. Yanisch, First Players bands  
Paul Herr, Security  
Than Boutelle, Custodian/Sunday

Sunday worship in-person at 8:30am; and in-person and livestreamed on YouTube at 11am;  
Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9am – 4pm

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inclusive community celebrating God with:  
†Energy †Intelligence †Imagination †Love*

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