



First
Presbyterian
Church *of Ann Arbor*

FIFTH SUNDAY *after* EPIPHANY
February 9, 2025
8:30, 9:30 & 11:30 am Worship



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8:30 AM WORSHIP | FEBRUARY 9, 2025
Fifth Sunday *after* Epiphany

** Please rise in body or spirit when you see this symbol,
and join in singing or reading aloud text in **bold**.*

GATHERING

Welcome and Centering

***Call to Worship**

What does it mean to be a disciple?

To witness God's grace, drop what we're doing, and follow.

Lord, many times, you have come to the lakeshore, a place of revelation and change, to teach us what it means to follow you.

With enduring hope for change, we open our minds and our hearts to your ways.

God of overflowing nets, reveal your abundant love for us today.

We set down our exhaustion and despair before you, O Lord.

Through worship, refresh and reawaken us to the wonder that is you.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God who calls, you beckon us to follow you as you slowly transform this world. Still, when we doubt our ability to make a difference, or your ability to work through us, we find ourselves with empty nets. In our weariness and apathy, make us witnesses to your presence once again. By your patience, continue inviting us to follow you. Reignite our hearts for discipleship, that we might leave behind what distracts and distorts us in pursuit of your good plan.

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading

Luke 5:1-11

Meditation

RESPONDING & SEALING

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Institution

Communion

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Charge and Benediction

Passing of the Peace

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GATHERING

Opening Voluntary

Emma Lou Diemer

Prelude on WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN (Excerpt)

Pouring of the Water

Welcome and Life in the Church

David Prentice-Hyers

Scout Sunday and Religious Emblem Award

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***Hymn 432**

How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord

REPTON

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Silent Prayer

Kyrie

SINGAPURA



Lord, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy on us.

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Passing of the Peace

*Congregational Response

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;
eternal truth attends thy word:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
till suns shall rise and set no more.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 138

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

A Conversation with Young Disciples

Melissa Anne Rogers



Guide my feet while I run this race; Guide my feet while I run this race;



Guide my feet while I run this race; for I don't want to run this race in vain!

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 5:1-11

The grass withers, the flower fades;
The word of the Lord endures forever.

Sermon

Tommy Langejans



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GATHERING

Opening Voluntary

Pouring the Water

Welcome & Centering

*Call to Worship

One: What does it mean to be a disciple?

All: To witness God's grace, drop what we're doing, and follow.

Side A: *Lord, many times, you have come to the lakeshore to reveal yourself to humanity and shape the courses of their lives.*

Side B: Make us witnesses to your revelation, that we might be forever changed!

Side A: *With enduring hope for your kingdom, we open our minds and our hearts to your ways.*

Side B: God of overflowing nets, reveal your abundant love for us today.

Side A: *We set down our exhaustion and despair before you, O Lord.*

Side B: Through worship, refresh and reawaken us to the wonder that is you.

*Opening Hymn 721 *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

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Silence is kept.

Assurance of Grace

Passing of the Peace

As you pass the peace, share an answer to this question: what's one way you've witnessed God's grace in the past week?

Hymn 582

Glory to God

GLORY TO GOD

PROCLAMATION

Prayer for Illumination 288 *Spirit of the Living God*

LIVING GOD

Scripture Reading

Luke 5:1-11

Sermon

RESPONSE

Cast Your Net

In private prayer, lift to God an area of your life where it feels like your efforts haven't led to the results you hoped for, or any area that has left you exhausted.

Pull Your Net In

When you're ready, approach the font, reach inside, and fish for a sign of God's abundance and transformation.

Return To Shore

Holding what you've caught, return to private prayer. Start with the words below, then continue with whatever you find on your heart: God who calls, in this successful catch, may I witness a sign of your abundant love. Help me know and feel that abundant love at all times, especially when I need it the most. By that love, transform my heart, that I might follow you as a disciple. Fill me with your love, that I might share that love with others who need it, especially...

The Lord's Prayer

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SENDING

*Hymn 751

From the Nets of Our Labor

HAMILTON

*Benediction

...we go out in peace,
to love, to serve, to imagine.

Closing Voluntary



CARRYING WORSHIP WITH US

Keep your goldfish with you this week, as a sign of God's abundant love. When you feel exhaustion or despair, pray over the fish for God's abundant love to be made manifest again. The prayer above is printed below if you'd like to reuse it, or make your own.

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Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

First Presbyterian Church is an inclusive and diverse faith community, led by the Holy Spirit, who welcomes people of all ages and backgrounds to come together to explore, nurture, and deepen their faith. Through worship, shared discussion, participation, and service, we aim to make God's love visible in our congregation, community, and world.

NEW TO FIRST PRES?

We are so thankful that you have joined us today for worship. We would love to get to know you and help you get to know us. Please sign the Friendship Pad. Sign it then pass it down to others. Interested in membership? Contact Rev. Rogers, mrogers@fpca2.org.

PRAYER

If you would like someone to pray with you, stop by the Prayer and Compassion Room after the 9:30 am service. Elders, Deacons, and Stephen Ministers are always there to assist those seeking prayer.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP & CHILDCARE

We love to have children in worship! Age-appropriate worship activities and books are available as you enter the sanctuary or Monteith Hall. We also offer childcare from 9:15 am to 12:15 pm for children ages 5 and younger on the First Level. Ask an usher for directions.

SCOUT SUNDAY

Today is Scout Sunday, a special day to celebrate and recognize the contributions of Scouts to the church and the wider community. For more than 100 years, First Presbyterian Church has been proud to sponsor Troop 7, one of the oldest and most active troops in the area. Troop 7 provides scouts with opportunities for leadership development, outdoor adventures, community service, and personal growth, all rooted in the values of integrity, respect, and responsibility. To learn more about scouting, visit fpca2.org/scouts.

Leading in Worship

LEADING IN WORSHIP

8:30 AM WORSHIP

Rev. Tommy Langejans

9:30 AM WORSHIP

Rev. David Prentice Hyers

Rev. Tommy Langejans

Rev. Mark Mares

Rev. Melissa Anne Rogers

Zane Yntema, Lay Reader

11:30 AM WORSHIP

Rev. Tommy Langejans

Rev. Nathaniel Fryer

MUSICIANS

9:30 AM WORSHIP

Chancel Choir

David Hufford, *Organist*

David VanderMeer, *Minister of Music & Fine Arts*

11:30 AM WORSHIP

Joshua Marzan, *Pianist*

USHERS

Leif Anderson

Greta Krapol

Paul Smith

Angela Yang

Joe Schmidt

Marita Servais

Len Rezmierski

GREETER

Mary Schudel

PRAYER PARTNER

Nancy Fox

FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY

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Today in Faith Formation

ADULTS _____

10:45 AM

EXPLORING THE FAITH

Celebrating Black History Month:

The Unvarnished Truths

Lewis Room

Introduction by Brad Taylor

Hosts: Helena Prince and Diane Hockett

EXPLORING THE BIBLE

The Parables of Jesus

French Room

Host: Ed Koster

FIRST FRIENDS

**The Call: The Life and Message of the
Apostle Paul - Called to Give**

Curtis Room

Host: Carole Pawloski

FOLLOW ME

Living in Community:

Uplift Those in Need

Room 102

AMAZING STUFF

Parents' Class

Lemon Chapel

CHILDCARE & NURSERY _____

AGES 5 AND YOUNGER

9:15 AM to 12:15 PM | Room 101

CHILDREN & YOUTH _____

10:45 AM

KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE

Jesus in the Wilderness

Room 302

2ND - 5TH GRADE

Living in Community:

Calling the Helpers

Room 303

4TH - 6TH GRADE

Amazing Stuff:

God's Plan for Growing Up

Room 304

CONFIRMATION

Youth Room

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Living in Community:

Uplift Those in Need

Lower Level 4

HIGH SCHOOL

Living in Community:

Uplift Those in Need

Lower Level 1

Calendar

TODAY

8:30 am **Worship with Communion** | Monteith Hall

9:30 am **Social Hour** | Welcome Center

9:30 am **Worship** | Sanctuary

10:30 am **Social Hour** | Social Hall

10:45 am **Faith Formation for all ages** | Classrooms

10:45 am **Amazing Stuff (4th-6th Grade)** | Room 304

10:45 am **Amazing Stuff Parents' Class** | Lemon Chapel

This winter, First Pres is offering a course on sexuality for children in grades 4-6 and a complementary course for parents. This class provides a safe and supportive space for children to learn about their bodies, relationships, and God's plan for sexuality and love in our lives. If you have not registered, we invite you to register at the door.

12:30 pm **Youth Group** | Social Hall

All youth are invited to join us from 12:30-2:00 pm in the Social Hall for a Soup-er-Bowl Party! We'll have soup, games, and a Soup-er time as we gather for youth group at a different time. It's going to be a lot of fun!

4:00 pm **Open Doors Concert: RFD Boys** | Sanctuary

Enjoy an afternoon of bluegrass with the legendary RFD Boys. Known for their exceptional musicianship, humor, and connection to bluegrass heritage, they've captivated audiences since 1969. Admission is free, with a freewill offering to support the series. A reception follows the concert.

5:15 pm **Open Doors Reception** | Social Hall

THIS WEEK

Mon Feb 10 **Care & Compassion Series** | 7:00 pm | Monteith Hall

Tue Feb 11 **Gentle Yoga** | 5:30 pm | Lewis Room

Wed Feb 12 **Barclay Bible Study** | 10:30 am | Vance Room

Thur Feb 13 **Presbyterian Women Horizons Bible Study** | 10:30 am | Vance Room

Thur Feb 13 **Journeys Bible Study** | 1:00 pm | Founders Room

Fri Feb 14 **Knit Night** | 7:30 pm | Home of Prue Heikkinen

Announcements

ADULT FAITH FORMATION _____

LENTEN PROGRAM

Healing From Hurt: Forgiveness and Its Alternatives

SUNDAYS, MARCH 9 - APRIL 13
3:00 - 5:00 PM | LEWIS ROOM

This six-week Lenten program is designed to guide participants on a journey toward healing after harm. Led by Dr. Jennifer Griggs, a professional coach with expertise in forgiveness, this program offers a trauma-informed approach to understanding forgiveness, exploring alternatives, and reclaiming dignity. Through reflective sessions, participants will learn to tell their stories in new ways, navigate emotional hurt, foster empathy, and build resilience. Limited to 10 participants. Register online: fpca2.org

CARE _____

Caring Hands

Are you interested in helping a family or individual who could use a meal while recovering or going through a difficult time? If you're willing to help, you can join our email list for meal requests and sign up as needs arise. Please email Mel Rogers at mrogers@fpca2.org to be added to the list.

CARE & COMPASSION SERIES

Understanding Obsessive Compulsive Disorder

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10
7 PM, MONTEITH HALL

Join us for a lecture by Emily Laird Bilek, Clinical Associate Professor, University of Michigan. All are welcome!

CHILDREN & YOUTH _____

Summer Music Camp

JULY 28–AUGUST 1

Calling all rising 2nd–8th graders! Join us for an exciting week of music, fun, and fellowship at our Summer Music Camp, featuring the musical *Elijah*. Camp runs daily from 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM, culminating in a special Musical Proclamation during worship on Sunday, August 3. Don't miss this opportunity to learn, create, and share the joy of music with friends! Registration is coming soon!

MISSION _____

Thank You, First Pres!

The Rotating Shelter Committee thanks everyone who participated in the Rotating Shelter mission by giving their time, talents, and delicious food during our host weeks in January! Others generously donated warm clothing or snacks, while financial gifts helped complete the donations. Thank you all for helping transform our church home into an overnight home for our 25 guests.

MUSIC & FINE ARTS _____

Community Perspectives on Social Change: A View from Our World

JANUARY - MARCH 2025
SOCIAL HALL

On display through March is an inspiring art exhibit featuring works created by members of First Pres and our broader community. This collection of art explores themes of social change and justice, reflecting the diverse perspectives and creative responses of those committed to making a difference.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN _____

**Presbyterian Women's Spring
Retreat: Consider the Lillies**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 5
9 AM - 2 PM, SOCIAL HALL**

Come relax and rejuvenate at our spring retreat, Consider the Lilies, on Saturday, April 5. An optional "Gentle Yoga" session will begin at 8 am, followed by a continental breakfast, an inspiring speaker, fun breakout sessions, and a boxed lunch. Childcare will be available. The registration fee is \$20 per person to cover the cost of food. All women are invited. Bring a friend! Please register by March 21, at fpca2.org.

WORSHIP _____

**Participate in the Creation of New
Paraments**

Beth Taylor is creating new Ordinary Time paraments for First Pres and invites you to contribute! You're encouraged to share a small piece of fabric or a token—such as a button, tie, broken earring, or other meaningful item—that represents your life, faith, or connection to the church. These contributions will be quilted together to create unique paraments filled with our collective stories and memories. If you wish, include a brief note or story about your item. Look closely when the paraments are displayed in the sanctuary and know they embody the spirit, gifts, and memories you bring to worship. Please drop off items in the Welcome Center.

Circle or color the things that you have that could help someone else.



WAYS TO PRACTICE AT HOME

Living in community allows us to care for one another, share joys, and bear burdens. Try these actions to show care:

- Do something kind without expecting anything in return.
- Share encouraging words.
- Listen deeply to both words and feelings.
- Practice positive gossip by speaking kindly about others.

Brainstorm ways to help neighbors in need, such as after a fire, with a new baby, or assisting an elderly person. Identify community helpers and talk about what they do and the characteristics that they have as helpers.

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BLUEGRASS OPEN DOORS CONCERT

featuring

**RFD
BOYS**

Ann Arbor's
Bluegrass
Legends

Sunday
FEB 9

4:00 PM
ADMISSION IS FREE!
RECEPTION FOLLOWS

You don't have to choose between great music and the big game! Join us for the Bluegrass Concert at 4 PM—you'll enjoy an afternoon of incredible live music and still have plenty of time to catch the Super Bowl kickoff at 6:30 PM!