

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
1st SUNDAY IN LENT
9:00 A.M.

Welcome

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pad to the end of the pew.)

Celebration of Praise

Trading My Sorrows
Blessed Be Your Name
I Lift My Eyes Up

Prayer of Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer

Worship Through Giving

Special Music *Amazing Grace* Marilyn Bedsworth

Scripture Lesson – Matthew 8:23-27 NT Page 8

Sermon Rev. Blaine Walker
 “Why are we afraid?”

Closing *You Are My All in All*

Benediction

Response *Bind Us Together*

Chorus: Bind us together, Lord, bind us together
 With cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together,
 Bind us together with love.

There is only one God. There is only one King.
There is only one body, that is why we sing. (chorus)

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11:00 A.M.

PREPARATION

ASSEMBLING – Greet one another as we enter God's house.

WELCOME & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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MEDITATION IN MUSIC *In the Hour of Trial*

. . . bring to my remembrance sad Gethsemane or . . . cross-crowned Calvary

A PRAYER FOR PERSONAL MEDITATION

O God of infinite goodness and mercy, we cannot escape your presence. Your promise remains with us in every situation. When we are desolate, your spirit comes to comfort us. Amid our tribulation, your Chosen One remains our firm hope. We can sing your song in whatever land we find our abode. We shall forever give thanks for the gift of your grace. You are God who never forsakes us. To you be glory and praise now and forever. Amen.

CHORAL INTROIT *Give to the Winds Your Fears* Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP – Responsive

LEADER: Today is the day of salvation!

PEOPLE: **God gives abundantly to the needy and the poor.**

LEADER: Today is the day of salvation!

PEOPLE: **God gives rest to the weary, and peace to the frightened.**

LEADER: Today is the day of salvation!

PEOPLE: **God gives forgiveness to all who need the blessing of grace.**

LEADER: Today is the day of salvation!

PEOPLE: **God gives strength to all who serve, courage to all who ask and serenity to all who seek it.**

UNISON: *Let us worship the Lord, our God!*

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* Page 260

***INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

***CONFESSION OF SIN** – Unison

Holy God of Israel,

We hear booming voices deriding our faith.

We want to be brave for you, but we are not.

We want to trust in the gifts you have given us,
but we do not.

We back away, mumbling excuses.

Have mercy on us, O God.

Give us courage to step forward as your people,

trusting in your power, working through us,

and strengthen our voices to proclaim your praise. Amen.

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE** – Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

PROCLAMATION

THE WORD OF GOD IN MUSIC *In the Quiet Hour* Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE LESSON – Matthew 8:23-27

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LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON **“Why are we afraid?”** Rev. Blaine Walker

RESPONSE

***HYMN** *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* Page 404

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** – The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth,

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* (Page 81)

. . . and through these days of penitence, in life and death, O Lord with us abide.

***THE DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & 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.

***HYMN** *God of Grace and God of Glory* Page 420

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

***CLOSING RESPONSE** *Bind Us Together*

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POSTLUDE

(*) All who are able please stand. FM Listening Enhancement Devices and a Wheelchair are available. Please ask an usher for assistance. Large print hymnals are located in the cabinets in the Narthex.

THE INVITATION

We invite you to commit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ through discipleship to him through membership in his body, the church. At the conclusion of each worship service an Elder stands at the baptismal font ready to answer questions or to explain the steps toward membership. Come join us!

THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP AND SERVICE

Today, February 21

- 9:00 A.M. Contemporary Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:45 A.M. Coffee Break/Fellowship Time, Scoggins Hall
10:00 A.M. Sunday School
11:00 A.M. Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary
5:00 P.M. Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal, Bobby's House
5:55 P.M. Agape Fellowship – Menu: Chili Cook Off (see announcement)
6:20 P.M. Program: “From Fear to Love” Lenten Series with Discussion Groups

Monday, February 22

- 8:00 P.M. AA Meeting, Hoyt Room

Tuesday, February 23

- 12:00 Noon Al-Anon Meeting, Library
2:00 P.M. Christianity & Islam Study, Scoggins Hall
5:00 P.M. ADK Meeting, Scoggins Hall
6:00 P.M. Lao Small Group, Church Office
6:30 P.M. Young Adults Small Group, Bobby's House
7:00 P.M. Christianity & Islam Study, Sanctuary

Wednesday, February 24

- 12:00 Noon Lenten Luncheon, Scoggins Hall
4:30 P.M. LOGOS – Theme: “It’s Magic!!!”
6:30 P.M. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday, February 25

- 10:00 A.M. Beth Moore Bible Study, Peggy Morgan's home
7:00 P.M. Gene White's Group, Bobby's House
8:00 P.M. Al-Anon Meeting, Library
8:00 P.M. AA Meeting, Hoyt Room

PERSONS WHO SERVE THIS WEEK

- Elders of the Month: 1. Gene White 2. Bob Kushman
3. Martha Lee Sherman 4. Mike Crawford
Greeters & Ushers: 9:00 David & Sharon Baskin
11:00 Sue Martin & Roberta Gunn
Sound System: 9:00 Gary Hulsey
11:00 Todd Truelove
Projection System: 9:00 Kevin Matthews
Audio-Video System: Toui Khamatsamay
Nursery Attendants: Ashley Galloway & Haley Black

THE WELCOME

In the name of Jesus Christ we welcome you to First Church, with the hope that this service of worship will be for you an experience of genuine communion with God and God's children. If you have not found a church home, we hope that you will consider joining us in worship, study, fellowship and service. There is a place for you here in which you can both give and receive.

AGAPE FELLOWSHIP

Each Sunday night during the Lenten season you will have an opportunity to discuss the weekly message and readings. Supper will be served at 5:55 p.m. Beginning at 6:20 p.m., there will be a very brief theme presentation by different leaders in the church. Then we will break into discussion groups to explore the theme.

CHILI COOK OFF TONIGHT – If you are a chili cook, please bring a pot of your favorite chili to share. Have it here and ready to serve by 5:55 p.m. We already have five contestants, but we need more. If you are not a chili cook, come and be part of the judging. Awards will be given for the Hottest, the best traditional flavor, and the most unusual flavor. There will be plenty for all.

YOUTH UPDATE

The youth are going to see the musical, *Godspell*, this afternoon at Piedmont College. We will be coming back to the church for the 6:00 meal, followed by our “Video Spooof Night” at Bobby's House.

Rock Eagle: March 19-21 (See Steve for a registration form.)

LENTEN LUNCHEON

We will be hosting the Lenten Luncheon this Wednesday at 12:00 noon in Scoggins Hall. Our speaker will be Rev. Blaine Walker.

LOGOS NEWS

We continue to enjoy the new and creative themes of LOGOS each week. Join us Wednesday at 4:30 for a magical experience. The theme will be: “Abracadabra.” Bring a friend and help make the yummy food disappear.

PRAYER GROUP

Do you know about the prayer group that meets the first Tuesday of each month at 11:00 a.m. in the church sanctuary? Prayer is vital to our service in Jesus' name, and we welcome everyone to join us. We are led by Lela Wade.

MAILING ADDRESS

If you would like to send a card to Brenda Boonstra's parents, their mailing address is: Gord and Carol Raterink, 9576 Trillium Lake Drive, Zeeland, MI 49464.

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WELCOME



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The First Presbyterian Church exists to glorify God by inviting all people to hear God's word, and by nurturing and equipping them to become disciples of Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP SERVICES
9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
FEBRUARY 21, 2010