



The LORD hath done
great things
for us; whereof
we are glad.

~PSALM 126:3, KJV~

NOVEMBER 13, 2022
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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Welcome

to First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Thank you for worshiping with us!

We invite you to write your name and contact information on the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew for others to sign.

If you would like a children's folder, large print bulletin, *wireless hearing assistance device* or back pillow, the ushers will be happy to assist you. We currently offer two types of hearing assistance devices: one with earphones, and one which works with "T" coil hearing aids.

If you are visiting with us, and don't have a Bible you can read and understand, please take one from your pew as our gift to you!

Please join us for coffee and tea in Boll Hall after the service.

We Believe

We believe relationships are key to understanding God and enjoying life together.

We seek to create a community that mirrors God's unconditional acceptance and love.

We value and are centered in scripture.

We honor and worship a God who is constantly at work for the good of every person in every place.

We welcome all regardless of politics, gender, race, sexual orientation, or any other distinction.

We are called to love as God loves.

We're glad you're here!



Order of Worship

~ The prelude is to be a time of reflection and preparation for worship ~

Welcome

Prelude *Meditation on "Ubi Caritas"* Dom Paul Benoit

Announcements

Moment for Stewardship—Caring **Art Bakewell**

Introit *The Gift of Grace* Arnold Sherman
Te Deum Handbell Choir

***Call to Worship** (read responsively)

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

All: We will lift up joyous song and sing our praises.

One: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it rejoice.

All: Let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord,

One: For God will come to judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

All: Let us join with all creation to praise the Lord! Let us worship God.

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn** *We Gather Together* **#336**



* Please rise in body or spirit.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of promise and purpose, you set before us a vision of your new heaven and earth, yet we confess we easily cling to the past. We hold on to grudges and resentment. We grumble about change even when we see the need for it. Forgive these old ways of thinking and acting. Create in us hearts made new by your mercy and love.

(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Message

Jenn Zibbell

Children are invited to come forward to the chancel steps. Following the message, elementary and preschool age children depart for Sunday School in the Education Rooms. After you exit the sanctuary, someone in the Narthex will direct you.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. ¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. ¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. ²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. ²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD-and their descendants as well. ²⁴Before they call I will answer, while they

are yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent-its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

Second Reading: Luke 21:5-19

⁵When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, ⁶"As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down."

⁷They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" ⁸And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them.

⁹"When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; ¹¹there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

¹²"But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. ¹³This will give you an opportunity to testify. ¹⁴So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; ¹⁵for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all because of my name. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your souls.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Meditation *"Telling New and Old Stories"*

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Call for the Offering

Offertory

Solemn Prayer
Te Deum Handbell Choir

Jason Krug

***Doxology** Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise Christ, all people here below
Praise Holy Spirit ever more;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People and 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.

***Sending Hymn** *Come, Great God of All the Ages* #309

*Benediction

***Sung Response** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* (v. 1, 4) #306

***Postlude** *Fugue in D Major BWV 532* J.S. Bach

*After the benediction response, you may depart from the sanctuary,
or stay to enjoy the postlude.*



To The Glory of God...
*The flowers in the chancel are given by
Karen Obsniuk and family
in loving memory of George & Ralda Obsniuk*



Worship Leaders & Staff:

Senior Pastor

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Parish Associate

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Scott Nelson, Evening Sexton

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Chancel Flowers 2023 — Our online donation Sign-Up for the coming year is now open! Please review the dates and sign up for a Sunday to provide flowers during the worship service. This is a lovely way to make a special dedication in honor or memory of someone, plus enhance our worship as well. If you aren't able to use the online sign up (the link is on our Friday ENews), please call the office to reserve an open date. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis.



The Bulletin Board

Poinsettias—see the bulletin insert for ordering Christmas poinsettias! The due date is December 4— please place your form with payment in the offering plate or send it to the church office.



It's time for **Hanging of the Greens** — Tuesday, November 22 at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to join us and help decorate the sanctuary for the Advent season. We will have fun, fellowship and treats! - The Worship Committee

Adult Sunday School—We continue with the film “Revolution of the Heart: The Dorothy Day Story” today and next Sunday. Join us after worship for discussion about this “Prophetic Voice” of the 20th century. **Special Guest Speaker** — On Sunday, November 20, we welcome the chaplain Preston Becker, BCC.MDiv. Preston will offer a unique insight into the life of Dorothy Day and her impact on his faith in the Catholic tradition. Preston is currently serving as the Lead Chaplain at Ascension Genesys in Grand Blanc, MI. Prior to his role in chaplaincy, he served in a variety of roles ministering with and for youth and young adults in the Catholic Church. Preston has an M.Div from Christian Theological Seminary (Indianapolis, IN) and is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Healthcare Mission Leadership from Loyola University (Chicago, IL). (*film shown with permission of the distributor*).



November is **FPCN Staff Appreciation Month!** This month the congregation will have the opportunity to thank and recognize our phenomenal staff! Please stop by Boll Hall **today** and write a thoughtful message of appreciation for the staff on a paper balloon to be added to the wall. Join in the fun and show our staff how very blessed we are to have them! For questions, please contact Vivienne Ward at jvtward@aol.com.

Farewell to Scott Nelson — Our longtime sexton, Scott Nelson, will be retiring at the end of November. To celebrate his time with us, we will have a special coffee hour after worship on Sunday, November 27. Please mark our calendars to join in the fun. If you would like to contribute to a financial gift for Scott, please send cash or a check with Scott in the memo line to the office. To give electronically, please call Kelly Clarke.

Popcorn Theology — Join us for a movie and discussion on Monday, November 21, from 6:30-9:00 p.m. in the Gathering Room. The Eyes of Tammy Faye - 2021, PG-13 ; This film follows the extraordinary rise, fall, and redemption of televangelist Tammy Faye Bakker. During the 1970's and 1980's she and her husband, Jim Bakker, rose from humble beginnings to create the world's largest religious broadcasting network and a theme park based on "the prosperity gospel." (movie shown with permission: CVLI Movie License #504322933)

Family Movie Night— "The Grinch" Pajama Party! Friday, December 2 at 6:00 p.m. Bring the whole family and wear your coziest pajamas! Admission is FREE and includes: watching "The Grinch" (PG, 2018); movie snacks and hot cocoa; and a gingerbread house building & decorating contest! Contact Jenn Zibbell for any questions: jenniferzibbell@fpcnorthville.org (movie shown with permission: CVLI Movie License #504322933)

Mission/Outreach Opportunities

The season of giving in abundance is upon us! As we are blessed, may we bless others!

Halloween Candy Collection — If you have extra Halloween candy, the Mission Committee will be happy to take it for the Neinas Elementary Christmas gift bags. Boxes will be in Boll Hall and at the church office. Contact Carol Maise at Maise729@yahoo.com with any questions!

Westminster Thanksgiving — Thanksgiving opportunities for Westminster Church of Detroit are here! Please consider purchasing a "turkey" to help provide a Thanksgiving dinner for those in need.

- ◆ Checks in any amount can be made to "Westminster Church of Detroit" or to FPC Northville with 'Westminster' in the memo line and put in the offering plate or dropped off at the church office.
- ◆ There is also a **sign-up for helpers** on Monday – Thursday (Nov. 21-24) for food prep, kitchen set-up/clean-up, and delivering on Thanksgiving Day. Find the sign-up link in our Friday ENews!

For more information on helping at Westminster, contact Carol Maise at Maise729@yahoo.com

Northville Civic Concern Christmas Angel Gift Card Collection
This year, we are looking for 'Angels' donors to provide gift cards for Northville Civic Concern. Gift cards allow the families to shop for

Christmas presents and get what they need. If you are interested in helping:

- ◆ Please purchase gift cards in \$25, \$50, \$75, & \$100 denominations from Target, Meijer, Walmart, or gas cards. Be sure the denomination is marked on the card.
- ◆ Place the gift cards in the Christmas-wrapped box in Boll Hall marked "Northville Civic Concern" no later than Sunday, November 20.
- ◆ Cash and checks made out to the church can also be placed in the box and will be used to purchase gift cards.

Questions? Contact Catherine Weir at 248-921-8090 or Jennie Macy at 248-521-8546.

Toy Collection — This holiday season the Mission Committee is holding a Toy Collection for children ages newborn to 18 years. We are collecting NEW, UNWRAPPED toys, books, board games, coloring books, small stuffed animals, art supplies, and gift cards. The items will be delivered to needy children in the area and children in hospitals during the holidays. Art supplies will go to an area school that is in need of them.

- ◆ Items can be placed in the gift box marked "Toy Collection" near the Mission Table in Boll Hall **OR** purchased and delivered through the Amazon Wish List "First Pres Toy Drive". The link is on our website or in the Friday ENews.
- ◆ Gift cards, cash, and checks made out to the church can be placed in the box marked "Cash for Toy Collection". Gift cards will be given to families in need and monetary gifts will be used to purchase gifts or gift cards.
- ◆ We will be collecting gifts thru December 20, but the earlier the better so that we can start distributing them to organizations early in December to meet their deadlines.

Questions? Contact Catherine Weir at 248-921-8090 or Jennie Macy at 248-521-8546.

Bell Ringers Needed! —The Salvation Army is looking for a few good bell ringers to collect holiday donations at the Kroger in downtown Northville. Sign up now for dates starting after Thanksgiving. If you are interested in giving your time, please visit and sign-up at ringbell.org or registertoring.com. The site links are in our Friday ENews. (Note: there are not designated FPCN group slots; sign up individually for whatever time slot you like).



Congregation: all caregivers; Jim Atkinson; Bonnie Bakewell; Grant Beringer; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Marge Dabney; Sue Dickie; Kathy Gricius; Ron Housman; Donald Morgan; Marilyn Overmyer; Lynn & Georgeann Stringer; Melissa Weiss; Dick Werther

Friends and Family: Kimberly Atkinson (family of Jim & Marilyn Atkinson); Patricia Bader (mother of Dave Bader); Claude Coleman (brother of Coline Coleman), David Cramer (father of friend of Mary Ann Gingrich); Donna (neighbor of Kathy Gricius); Brant Doty (brother of Tim Doty); Jackie Fisher (mother of Louise Fisher); Sally Gillies (sister of Ron Austin); Grandson of friend of Janet Heath-Morgan; Connie Hassaballa (sister of Sandy Robison & Judy Russell); Mark Ivankovics (brother-in-law of Louise Fisher); Radu Marginean (grandson-in-law of Jim & Marilyn Atkinson); Dave Nickel (Son-in-law of Kathy Gricius); Nina & Nikolai (residing in Ukraine; relatives of Marcia Booth); Marc Noga (friend of Jim & Liz Murtfeldt); Penny Norton (mother of Guy Sartorius); Barbara Onofrio (friend of Georgeann & Lynn Stringer); Christine Snell (friend of Kathy Gricius); Tina Tate (friend of Mary Ann Gingrich); June Tervo (mother of Curt & Trudy Esch and grandmother of Emily Hamilton); Bob Trombley (husband of Sandy Trombley and brother of Maureen Trombley and Barbara Ulbrich); Terry Wingblad (friend of Darleen Sweeney); Randy Wisner (cousin of Darleen Sweeney).

All Military Personnel currently serving here and abroad.

*To add a name to this list, please call your Deacon, or the Church office at 248-349-0911. Please note that names are added to the Prayer Ministry list only with the individual's permission. This list will be purged and reprinted periodically. **Kindly let us know when to remove a name. Thank you.***

November Highlights

- Sat., Nov. 19: Northville Lighted Parade, 6:30 p.m.
(church & preschool will be marching)
- Sun., Nov. 20: Consecration Sunday
- Tue., Nov. 22: Hanging of the Greens
- Thu/Fri: Nov. 24-25: Church Closed for Thanksgiving
- Sun., Nov. 27: First Sunday of Advent
Concert, 4:00 p.m. in our Sanctuary

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 13— NOVEMBER 20, 2022

- Sunday 11/13 8:45 am Kerygma Bible Study, Middle Sch. Rm
10:00 am Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
10:15 am Children's Sunday School, Education Wing
11:15 am Adult Sunday School, Gathering Room
11:30 am GAP Middle Sch. Youth Group, Youth Room
6:30 pm APEX H.S. Youth Group, Youth Room
- Mon. 11/14 *Church Office Closed*
6:30 pm Scouts, CLC
- Tue. 11/15 7:30 pm Session, via Zoom
8:00 pm AA Meeting, CLC
8:00 pm AL-ANON, Boll Hall
- Wed. 11/16 8:00 am Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- Thur. 11/17 12:00 pm Staff Luncheon, Boll Hall
6:15 pm Yoga, CLC
7:00 pm Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center
- Fri. 11/18 9:15 am Agape' Women's Study, Gathering Room
- Sat. 11/19 6:30 pm Northville Lighted Parade, downtown N'ville
- Sunday 11/20 **Consecration Sunday, Christ the King**
8:45 am Kerygma Bible Study, Middle Sch. Rm
9:00 am Children & Youth Committee, Library
10:00 am Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
10:15 am Children's Sunday School, Education Wing
11:15 am Adult Sunday School, Gathering Room
11:30 am GAP Middle Sch. Youth Group Service
Project & Meeting, Youth Room
5:30 pm APEX H.S. Youth Group Service Project &
Meeting, Youth Room

