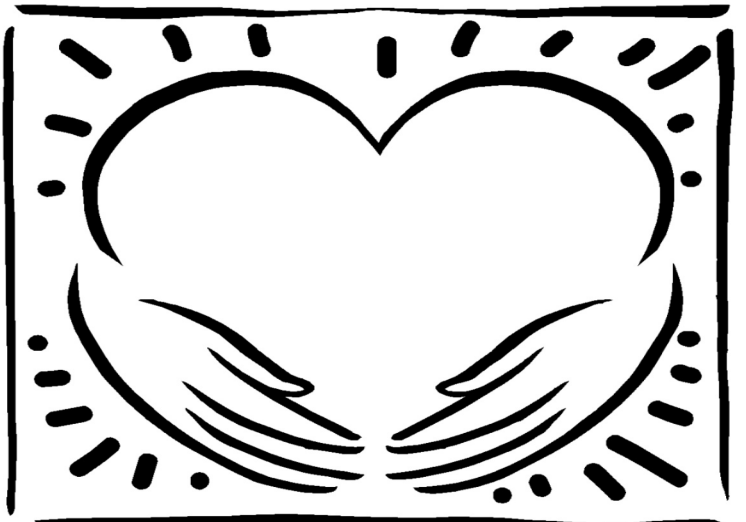


See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God.

1 John 3:1

November 1, 2026
Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints' Sunday
Communion Sunday

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

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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, or back pillow, the ushers will be happy to assist you.

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 also stop by the Welcome Center desk to receive a welcome bag.

Please join us for coffee or 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.

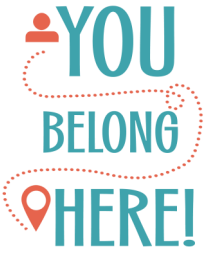
We value and are centered in scripture.

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 *Poco Allegretto* Cesar Franck

Announcements

Moment for Mission Community Brainstorming Bob Buckhave

Introit *Holy Ground* **#406**
Chancel Choir

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

One: Let us bless the Lord at all times.
All: God's praise will always be on our lips.
One: Magnify the Lord in all ways.
All: We will lift up God's name together in worship and in service.
One: God, send your light and your truth as we gather to worship.
All: May they lead us into your holy presence!

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn** *For All the Saints* **#326**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of courage and commitment, we confess we have not always followed the path you set before us. Fear holds us back from fully embracing your gift of new life. Our anxieties prevent us from bearing witness to your love. Forgive us, O God. Give us courage to act as your saints in our own time, faithfully following Jesus, no matter the cost.

(Silent Confession)

***** Please rise in body or spirit.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Message — Stephen Flavin

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

First Scripture Reading— 1 John 3:1-3

[1]See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. [2] Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. [3]And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Second Scripture Reading—Matthew 5:1-12

[1]When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. [2]Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:
[3]"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
[4]"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
[5]"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
[6]"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
[7]"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
[8]"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
[9]"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
[10]"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
[11]"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
[12]Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Call for the Offering

Offertory *The Stars Have Called You Home* Tom Bowman
Chancel Choir

*__Doxology__ **#607**

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Lord's Supper (All are invited to take communion)

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Remembering the Saints

Church Members

R. Robert Geake 10/26/1936 – 02/22/2026
Calvin E. Strom 09/14/1936 – 03/03/2026
Carol J. Dickson 06/10/1929 – 03/29/2026
Marilyn J. Boyd 02/05/1933 – 04/10/2026
Maxine V. Lapham 10/14/1934 – 05/04/2026
Shirley D. Henry 01/16/1932 – 09/02/2026
Barbara A. Bakewell 11/30/1942 – 09/04/2026

Family Members

Mary C. Beckner (Sharon York's mom)
Gregory A. Todd (Linda Todd's husband)

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them up to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Sanctus (sung, see page 7)

Great is the mystery of faith.
Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.

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.

Breaking the Bread

Communion of the People

Music During Communion

#521 *In Remembrance of Me*

#525 *Let Us Break Bread together*

Prayer After Communion

***Sending Hymn** *When We Are Living* **#822**

***Benediction**

***Sung Response** *While We Are Waiting Come* **#92**
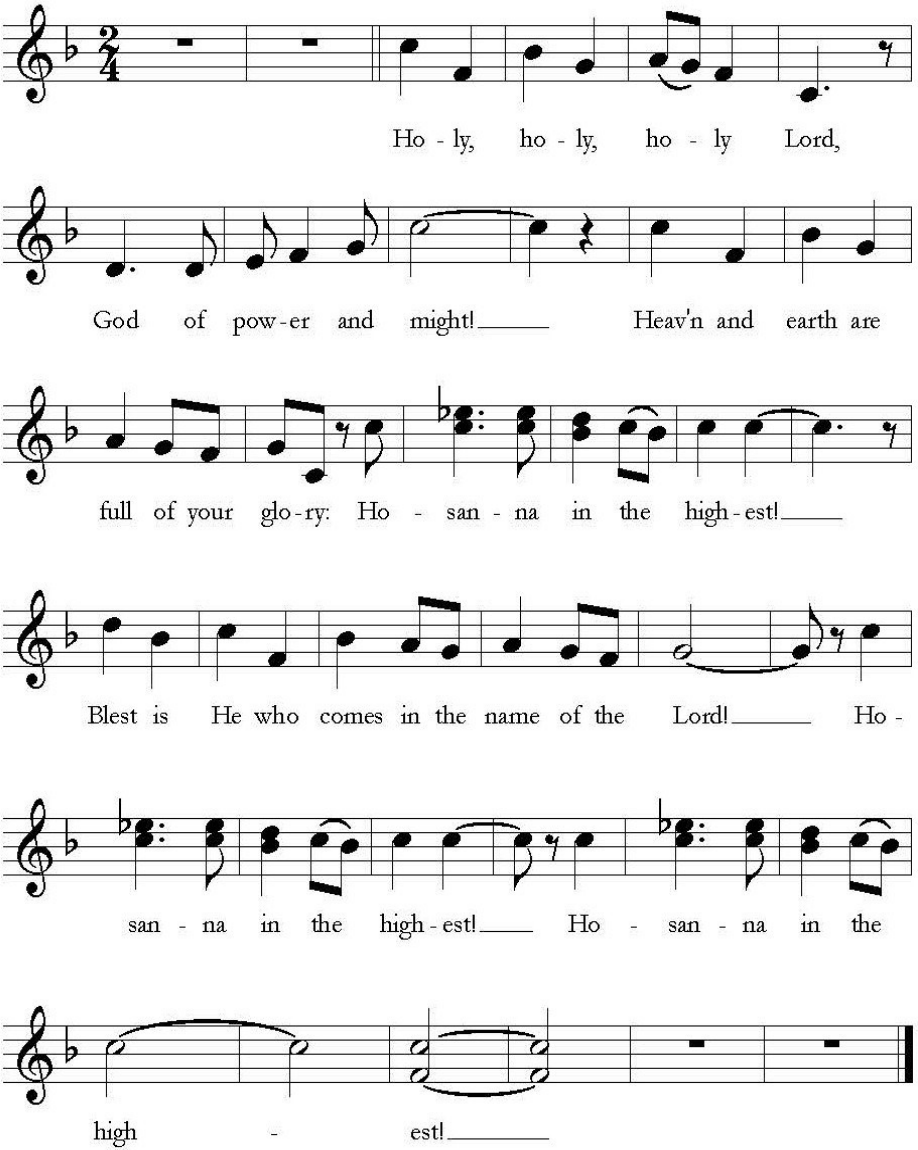
Postlude *Duetto II* Johann Sebastian Bach

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***** Please rise in body or spirit.

for First Presbyterian Church, Northville, Michigan

Sanctus



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To The Glory of God…



The flowers in the chancel are in given by Kathi & David Jerome in loving memory of Kathi's parents Ernest & Adelaide Schmidt

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Tom Bowman, Children's Choir Director
Dr. Jerry Custer, Chancel Choir Director
Nancy Plumley, Te Deum Handbell Director
Dr. Dave Wagner, Organist/Accompanist

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Nicole Andreolli, Sunday Sexton
Zak Bugosh, Sexton



Congregation: Marilyn Atkinson; the family of Barb Bakewell; Judy & Ron Blackburn; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Jim Clarkson; Rev. Kent Clise; Rev. Jamie Faile; Sarah French & family; Carol Geake and the family of Bob Geake; the family of Shirley Henry; Neil Hollister; Ron & Lois Housman; Barb Johnson; Esther Keegan; Donna Kennedy; Mary Kirn; the family of Maxine Lapham; Laura Mitchell; Dale Robison; Karen Seaman; Sandi Smith; The Strom and Gessert Families; Darleen Sweeney; June Tervo; Linda Todd; Dick Werther; Debbie Wood.

Friends and Family: Melissa Altomare (sister of Debby DeLaby); Steve Atallah (husband of Elaine Atallah); James Atkinson Jr. (son of Marilyn Atkinson); Carolyn Blaszcowski (friend of Deb and Tim Gammons); Jeff Brown (friend of Dick Werther); Peg Custer (mother of Jerry Custer); Rick De Hart (friend of Georgeann Stringer); Brant Doty (brother of Tim Doty); Annette Duchamp (mother of Vivienne Ward); Elisabeth Fannin (granddaughter of Marilyn Atkinson); Linda Farber (step-mother of Ann Werther); Sarah Gilbert (friend of Pastor Jackie); Stan Gill & family (brother of Bev Hines); Susan Grant (friend of Coline Coleman); Dick Grignon (relative of Deb and Tim Gammons); Andy Gutman (friend of Kathy Gricius); Connie Hassaballa (sister of Sandy Robison & Judy Russell); The Henderson Family (relatives of Tammy Fulton); Lynne & Mark Ivankovics (sister-in-law & brother-in-law of Tim Doty); Matthew Kajdasz (friend of John Takacs and Todd Kananen); Jaxson Lindquist (grandnephew of Ann Werther); Makayla (granddaughter of Neyssa Gill); Celeste Martens (sister of Tammy Fulton); David Mondro (father of Patrick Mondro); Kim Myers (sister-in-law of Denise Myers); Dave Nickel (son-in-law of Kathy Gricius); Nina & Nikolai (residing in Ukraine, relatives of Marcia Booth); Wes & Penny Norton (parents of Guy Sartorius); Barbara Onofrio (friend of Georgeann Stringer); Marshall Riggs (nephew of Sean & Stephanie Smith); Carol Sarver (friend of Bev Hines); Kathy Schillaci (friend of Kathy Gricius); Alicia Sims (mother of Lexanna Sims); Mary Spranger (stepdaughter of Bev Hines); Billy & Trish Stamper (family of Neyssa Gill); Marie Wilkie (sister-in-law of Coline Coleman); Terry Wingblad (friend of Darleen Sweeney); Randy Wisner (cousin of Darleen Sweeney); Cathy Yount (daughter of Marilyn Atkinson).

All Caregivers

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 <u>only</u> with the individual's permission. This list will be purged and reprinted periodically.* ***Kindly let us know when to remove a name. Thank you.***

The Bulletin Board

Brainstorming Session—All are welcome to join us today at 11:15 am as we explore the possibilities, ask questions, share perspectives and consider how First Presbyterian Church of Northville might respond to the Downs of Northville Project. Bring your ideas and listen to what others are imaging.

Halloween Candy Collection—Have extra Halloween candy? We'll gladly take it for the Christmas gift bags at Neinas Elementary. Drop it in the basket in Boll Hall. The Neinas Christmas party is Monday, December 14. If you'd like to help, or have any questions, contact Carol Maise.

Celebration Coffee Hour—Join us after worship on Sunday, November 8, for a special coffee hour celebrating our Chancel Choir Director, Dr. Jerry Custer. His latest book, *A Conductor's Vade Mecum: Practical Suggestions for Better Choral Singing*, was released in October. Come honor Jerry's accomplishment and his work among us.



Popcorn Theology —Join us on Thursday, November 19, at 1 p.m. in the Gathering Room for Eye in the Sky (2015, thriller, rated R, 1 hr. 42 min.). A secret drone mission in Kenya turns into an agonizing decision when a young girl wanders into the strike zone, sparking a crisis of conscience and a international dispute. Stay afterward for a conversation about the film and the moral questions it raises. Popcorn provided!

Red Cross Blood Drive—Color your fall with kindness. Give blood November 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To schedule an appointment go to RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code: fpcnorthville). Or use the QR code.

Greens for the Pots — As we prepare for the holiday season, we decorate the church inside and out. If you'd like to help fill the outdoor pots around the porch and Welcome Center doors, please contact Marilyn Thibodeau. We need willing hands, and we also need greens. If you have evergreens to share, contact Marilyn or the church office.

Caroling on the Porch — Join us for this annual tradition on Friday, November 20, at 6 p.m. Carolers of every age will gather on the porch before the Lighted Parade to sing traditional Christmas carols. Friends and newcomers are welcome!



Lighted Parade — We're looking for a few good marchers! On Friday, November 20, we'll once again march in the Lighted Parade. Come wave to the crowd or help carry the church banner. The parade begins at 6:30 p.m., and we'll line up beforehand. Contact Pastor Jackie for details.

Consecration Sunday — Stewardship isn't just a season. It's how we care for and support our church all year long. Throughout November, we'll share this year's stewardship campaign. Watch your mail for a letter and pledge card. We'll receive pledge cards in worship on Consecration Sunday, November 22. To learn more about the campaign or other ways to support the church, reach out to Pastor Jackie or any member of the Stewardship Committee.

Community Thanksgiving Worship — Last year we revived a cherished tradition by co-hosting a community Thanksgiving worship service. This year the Methodists are hosting. Join us as we head down Eight Mile Road to First United Methodist Church of Northville on Sunday, November 22, at 7 p.m. Pie will follow!

Hanging of the Greens—All ages are invited to join us at 4 pm, on Tuesday, November 24. We will decorate the church, then have pizza. Please come and lend a hand to help prepare our church for Advent and Christmas.





Community Thanksgiving Dinner — Looking for a warm welcome this Thanksgiving? Join neighbors from around Northville for a community dinner at First United Methodist Church of Northville on Thursday, November 26, from noon to 2 p.m. Come with friends or make new ones. RSVP at https://www.fumcnorthville.org/community-thanksgiving-dinner/

Thanksgiving volunteers needed — For the 44th Annual Westminister Thanksgiving Dinner starting the week before Thanksgiving. To volunteer or for more information call 313-341-2697 or email at Thanksgiving@wcodetroit.org.

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1, 2026 — NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Sun. 11/1		**Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost** **All Saints' and Communion Sunday**
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary and Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
	11:15 am	Community Brainstorming, Boll Hall
	2:00 pm	APEX Youth Group, Youth Room
Mon. 11/2	6:00 pm	Adventure Crew Troop 755, CLC
	7:00 pm	Scout Troop 755, CLC
Tue. 11/3	4:00 pm	Pickleball, CLC
	5:30 pm	HR Committee Meeting, via Zoom
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting, CLC
	8:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting, Boll Hall
Wed. 11/4	8:00 am	Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
	10:00 am	Walking Group, Ford Field (Northville)
	1:00 pm	Property Committee Meeting, Music Center
	6:00 pm	Worship Committee, Gathering Room
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/5	11:00 am	Prayer Group, Study
	7:00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center
	7:00 pm	Men's Discussion Group, Gathering Room
	7:00 pm	Yoga, CLC
Fri. 11/6	9:30 am	Agape, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Grief Support Group, Youth Room
Sat. 11/7		.
Sun. 11/8	8:45 am	**Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost**
	10:00 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:15 am	Worship, Sanctuary and Facebook Live
	11:00 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:15 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
	11:15 am	Book Study, Gathering Room
	2:00 pm	Stay-N-Play, CLC
		APEX Youth Group, Youth Room