



**“Do you see
all these great
buildings?”
replied Jesus.**

**“Not one stone
here will be left
on another;
every one will be
thrown down.”**

Mark 13:2, NIV

**November 17, 2024
Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

**First
Presbyterian
Church** of Northville



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Welcome

to First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Thank you for worshipping 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 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 *I Stand Amazed in the Presence* C.H. Gabriel
 Sweet Hour of Prayer Walford & Bradbury
 Redeemed

Berceuse from 24 Pieces Louis Vierne
 Dr. Dave Wagner, Organist

Announcements

Moment for Stewardship Bob Buckhave

Introit *Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me* **#71**
 Chancel Choir

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

One: The God of wisdom calls us to worship.

All: In humility, we gather to offer our thanks and praise.

One: The God of peace calls us to let go of our cares and worries.

All: In faith, we turn to God for hope and guidance.

One: The God of past, present, and future welcomes us into this moment.

All: In joy, we celebrate life in God's presence!

One: Let us worship God together.

All: Hallelujah! Let us praise the Lord!

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn** *Great is Thy Faithfulness* **#39**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of justice and mercy, you call us to take part in our community, loving our neighbors and serving your purposes. We confess this is easier said than done. We often sit in judgment on those who serve in public life, criticizing any who fall short of our expectations. Yet we confess we too fall short of your loving purpose for us. Forgive us when we have been too quick to criticize, and too slow to join in what needs to be done.

(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Message

Stephen Flavin

Music

Be Not Afraid
Redeemed

Doris Edwards

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

First Scripture Reading— 1 Samuel 1:4-20

⁴On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; ⁵but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. ⁶Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. ⁷So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. ⁸Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?" ⁹After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. ¹⁰She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly.

¹¹She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He

shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head.”¹² As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth.¹³ Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk.¹⁴ So Eli said to her, “How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine.”¹⁵ But Hannah answered, “No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD.”¹⁶ Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time.”¹⁷ Then Eli answered, “Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him.”¹⁸ And she said, “Let your servant find favor in your sight.” Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.¹⁹ They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her.²⁰ In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, “I have asked him of the LORD.”

Second Scripture Reading— Mark 13:1-8

¹As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!”
²Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”
³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴“Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?”
⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray.”
⁶Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray.
⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come.
⁸For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs.

One: *This is the Word of the Lord.*

All: *Thanks be to God.*

Meditation

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Call for the Offering

Offertory

O How Amiable
Chancel Choir

R. Vaughan Williams

***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**

How Firm a Foundation

#463

***Benediction**

***Sung Response**

In Christ There is No East or West **#317**
(Verses 1 & 2)

Postlude

Prelude in C Minor

J.S. Bach

To The Glory of God...
*The flowers in the chancel are given
by Wanda Moon in loving memory of
Jay Moon.*



Worship Leaders and Staff:

Program Ministry

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher, Senior Pastor
Stephen Flavin, Director of Congregational Care, Youth, & Children

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Doris Edwards
Terry Heaton



IN OUR

Thoughts and Prayers



Congregation: Jim & Marilyn Atkinson; Marcia Booth; the Byun family; the Carter family; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Judy Foss & Family; Louise Fisher; Kathy Gricius; Virginia Heckler; Ron and Lois Housman; family of Beth Jones; Donna Kennedy; Patrick McKinney; Wanda Moon; Families of Don Morgan & Janet Heath-Morgan; Norma Peltz; Darleen Sweeney; June Tervo; Vivienne Ward; the Weir family; Dick Werther; Debbie Wood.

Friends and Family: John Antone (friend of Wanda Moon); (Kimberly Atkinson (family of Jim & Marilyn Atkinson); Mary Beckner (mother of Sharon York); Heather Belkadi, (daughter of Tammy Fulton); Carolyn Blaszowski (friend of Deb and Tim Gammons); Jeff Brown (friend of Dick Werther); Peg Custer (mother of Jerry Custer); family of Jim Dettman (cousin of Jennie Macy); Dave and Annette Duchamp (parents of Vivienne Ward); Jackie Fisher (mother of Louise Fisher); Rita French (mother-in-law of Sarah French); The family of Sally Garman (Tim Doty's sister); Jeanette Gill (sister-in-law of Bev Hines); Connie Hassaballa (sister of Sandy Robison & Judy Russell); Lori Henson (friend of Pastor Jackie); Sher and Bill Hunt (friends of Deb and Tim Gammons); Mark Ivankovics (brother-in-law of Louise Fisher); Robert Kirn (son of Mary Kirn); Arden Lee (friend of Abbe MacDonald); Makayla (granddaughter of Neyssa Gill); Radu Marginean (grandson-in-law of Jim & Marilyn Atkinson); Sheila York Marold & family; Dave Nickel (son-in-law of Kathy Gricius); Nina & Nikolai (residing in Ukraine; relatives of Marcia Booth); Melanie Nikonowicz (friend of Kelly & Guy Sartorius); Barbara Onofrio (friend of Georgeann Stringer); Pat Schoch (friend of Kathy Gricius); Billy & Trish Stamper (family of Neyssa Gill); Sandy Craig Taylor (friend of Beth & Gary Heberlein); Terry Wingblad (friend of Darleen Sweeney); Christine Walter and family (preschool teacher); Sarah Walter (niece of Tim Doty); Randy Wisner (cousin of Darleen Sweeney).

All Caregivers

All affected by Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton

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.***

The Bulletin Board

Poetic Books of the Old Testament, Sunday Adult Bible Study

Many of the 66 books of the Bible use poetry to tell their stories. Poetry is meant to be savored and pondered to fully appreciate the depth of expression conveyed. Come to Bible Study today to unpack the three Old Testament books of wisdom. Hear their history, primary messages, and other interesting highlights to understand and appreciate these books of ancient poetry. Join Deb Gammons in the Gathering Room at 11:15 a.m.

Pickleball! Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Potential Professional “Picklers” and “Pingers”: Come join BEGINNERS, including youth, for an introduction to pickleball and/or ping pong. Our last meeting is this Tuesday, November 19 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Christian Life Center (CLC). Cost is a suggested weekly donation of \$5 to benefit the church. Paddles and balls are provided. Please wear tennis shoes. Direct any questions to Terry Heaton.



Fall 2024 Yoga Session 2—Fall 2024 Yoga

Session 2 is here. The group meets on Thursdays at 6:15 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. The Session 2 dates are November 7, 14, 21 and December 5, 12, 19 (no class October 31 & November 28). Cost is \$60 for the six-week session or a drop-in rate of \$15. Join in any time. All levels welcome. Bring a yoga mat and blanket/large towel. Questions? Please contact Ann Werther.



CANDY COLLECTION



Halloween Candy Collection—If you have extra Halloween candy, we'll 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 with any questions.



Hanging of the Greens!—All ages are invited to join us at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 26. There will be pizza and decorations. Come and lend a hand to help the church get ready for Advent and Christmas.

Walkers needed for Northville Holiday Lighted Parade:

Friday, November 22—We are looking for individuals interested in representing FPC by walking in the Northville Holiday Lighted Parade on Friday, November 22nd. Please contact Pastor Jackie if this is an opportunity you would enjoy. The parade begins at 6:30 p.m. (please note the updated time).



Carolers needed for Northville Holiday Lighted

Parade: Friday, November 22—Join in the singing of Christmas carols on the church's front before the Lighted Parade begins. Join your friends and sing from 6:00 p.m. until the parade starts at 6:30 p.m. (please note the updated times). Bring your family, bring your friends, bring your holiday spirit. We will have plenty of carol books in case you have forgotten the words. See you on the porch on Friday evening, November 22.

Vocal & Piano Concert—*Then Sings My Soul*, a concert of hymns and spirituals will be offered in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 1 at 4:00 p.m. Come hear vocalist Beth Lackey and pianist Andrew Herbruck. A free will offering will be collected. Invite friends and family and enjoy beautiful music in a beautiful space.

Mini fridge needed—APEX Youth Group needs a minifridge 4.3 cu ft or greater. If you have one laying around collecting dust and would like to donate it, please let Stephen know. Thank you.



Family Movie Night (Elf): Friday, December 13th at 6pm—Join us to watch *Elf*, decorate cookies, drink coca, and eat popcorn.



Civic Concern—HELLO TO ALL! Please keep Civic Concern in mind as you shop. Most needed items are paper towel, tissues, and small laundry soaps. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Westminster Thanksgiving—Thanksgiving opportunities at 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 are made to “Westminster Church of Detroit” and can be put in the offering plate or dropped off at the church office. Also sign-up to help on Monday through Thursday with food prep and serving/ delivering on Thanksgiving Day (November 28). Sign up here <https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=s.signup&urlid=4090849ACAA22A3FA7-52402994-westminster#/> or using the QR code.



Shoe Collection: Now through December 31, place donations in the box in Boll Hall—Clean out your closets of **GENTLY** worn shoes of any type—and bring them in (it would be helpful if shoes are secured in pairs with a rubber band or tying the laces together.) Just no metal spikes, ice skates or roller blades. FPC members who are part of the Northville-Novis chapter of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) have partnered with FPC to collect shoes to distribute to micro-entrepreneurs in developing countries. The entrepreneurs sell the shoes in their local communities, promoting commerce opportunities and economic stability. Questions? Contact Jan Wilhelm.

Angel Tree Ministry—At Christmas, the emotional pain of a loved one’s incarceration grows even more intense; the distance is felt by children and parents alike. This Christmas, please help make the season a little brighter for 52 children by purchasing and donating gifts to be delivered with messages on behalf of their incarcerated parents. Child/gift information cards will be available soon. Volunteers are needed to make calls, write cards, and deliver gifts. Contact Earl Eiben to help and for more information.

*Please contact the church office for assistance in reaching the above contacts.

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 17, 2024 — NOVEMBER 24, 2024

Sun. 11/17	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
	11:15 am	Adult Sunday School, Gathering Room
	6:00 pm	APEX Youth Group, Youth Room
Mon. 11/18	6:00 pm	Crew 755, CLC
	7:00 pm	Scout Troop 755, CLC
Tue. 11/19	5:30 pm	Pickleball, CLC
	7:30 pm	Session, Library & via Zoom
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting, CLC
	8:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting, Boll Hall
Wed. 11/20	8:00 am	Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
	10:00 am	Living & Learning Team Visit
	10:00 am	Walking Group
	7:00 pm	Adult Scout Meeting, Boll Hall
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/21	6:15 pm	Yoga, CLC
	7:00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center
	7:00 pm	Men's Discussion Group, Gathering Room
Fri. 11/22	9:30 am	Agape, Boll Hall
	1:00 pm	Fourth Friday at Fox Run, Fox Run
	6:00 pm	Christmas Caroling, Front Porch
	6:30 pm	Northville Holiday Lighted Parade
Sat. 11/23		
Sun. 11/24		Henry Joseph-Michael Eberlein Baptism
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
	11:15 am	Adult Sunday School, Gathering Room
	6:00 pm	APEX Youth Group, Youth Room