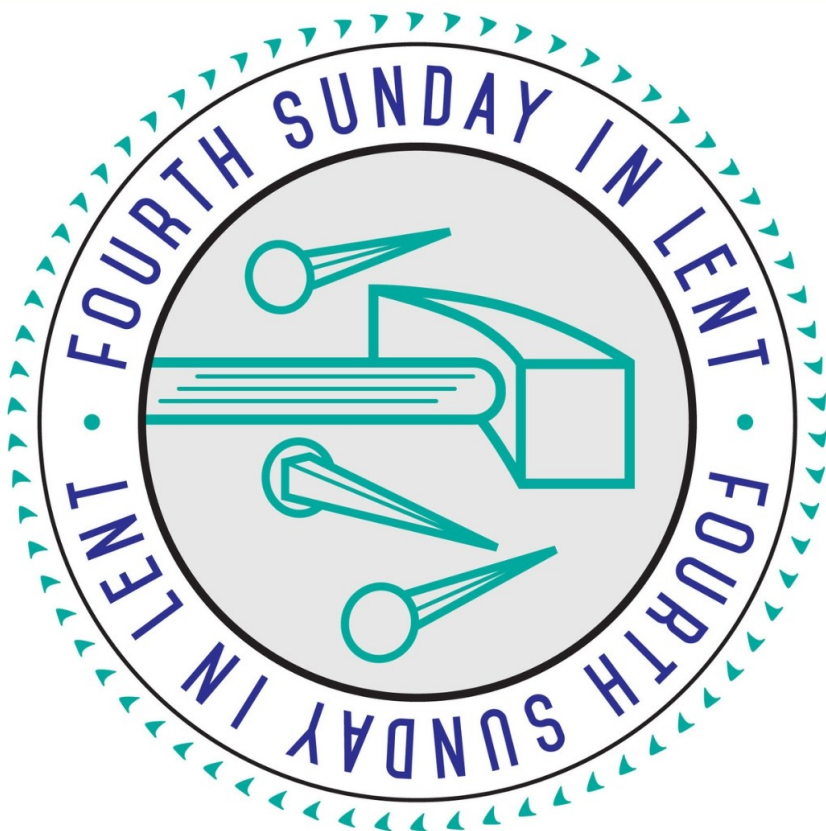


All We Need

Lenten Series 2025



March 30, 2025
Fourth Sunday in Lent

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, *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 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 Prelude on the Chorale *O Mensch Bewein* J.S. Bach

Announcements

Centering Prayer

Introit *What Wondrous Love is This?* #215
Chancel Choir

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

One: People of God, what do you need today?

All: Change that brings new life.

One: Then come, let us worship God,

All: who teaches us the way we should go, who ushers in a new creation, who can change our circumstances and our hearts.

One: We gather in the name of our triune God,

All: our Maker, our Redeemer, and our Reconciler.

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn** *In the Bulb There is a Flower* #250

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of love and mercy, when we pause for a moment in your presence, the daily details of our lives press in on us. We recall things left undone and opportunities ignored. We remember careless words spoken and disappointments that trouble our souls. In silence we offer to you our misspent moments and missed opportunities.

(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

* Please rise in body or spirit. 3

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

First Scripture Reading— Psalm 32

¹Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

²Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

⁴For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah

⁵Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Selah

⁶Therefore let all who are faithful
offer prayer to you;
at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters
shall not reach them.

⁷You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance. Selah

⁸I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

⁹Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,
else it will not stay near you.

¹⁰Many are the torments of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.

¹¹Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

Second Scripture Reading— Luke 15:1–3, 11b–32

¹Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen
to him. ²And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and
saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

³So he told them this parable:

^{11b}"There was a man who had two sons. ¹²The younger of them
said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that

will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. ¹³A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. ¹⁴When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. ¹⁵So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. ¹⁶He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. ¹⁷But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! ¹⁸I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; ¹⁹I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands.'" ²⁰So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. ²¹Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' ²²But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. ²³And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; ²⁴for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

²⁵"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. ²⁶He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. ²⁷He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' ²⁸Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. ²⁹But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. ³⁰But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' ³¹Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. ³²But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Meditation

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Call for the Offering

Offertory

Go Not Far From Me
Chancel Choir

Luigi Zingarelli

***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**

Soft and Tenderly Jesus is Calling #418

***Benediction**

***Sung Response**

Take, O Take Me as I Am #698

Postlude

Fugue in G Major

Nicholas Bruhns

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IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Congregation: Marilyn Atkinson; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Tim Doty & the family of Louise Fisher; Doris Edwards; Charlene Frellick; Ron and Lois Housman; Donna Kennedy; Lucille Kimpel; Maxine Lapham; Norma Peltz; Karen Seaman; Darleen Sweeney; June Tervo; Vivienne Ward; Dick Werther; Debbie Wood.

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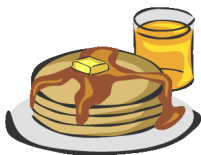
All Caregivers

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 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.***

Cards are available for the congregation to sign on the **third Sunday** (or occasionally the second Sunday) of each month.

The Bulletin Board



Pancake Breakfast: Sunday, April 13—Save the date for our annual Pancake Breakfast on Palm Sunday, April 13. Following worship, join us in the CLC for a delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage, fruit, juice, and coffee. All free will donations support youth mission work.

Eggstravaganza—Volunteers and candy are needed for this year's Eggstravaganza on Saturday, April 19. Over the coming weeks, you can donate bite-sized candy (small enough to fit in an egg). A candy collection station will be in Boll Hall. Let Stephen Flavin know if you are willing and able to help before or during the event, stephenflavin@fpcnorthville.org.

Hospitality House Volunteer Opportunity—FPC is working with our Mission Co-op group at the Hospitality House on Saturday, April 26. Hospitality House is a food pantry in Commerce. If interested in joining us, please register for an account at <https://www.hhfp.org/volunteer/> or scan the QR code. Then, click on the orange sign-up button and sign-up for the Saturday, April 26 date reserved for "Crossroads Presbyterian Church Day of Service". The shift runs from 9:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you have any questions regarding this event, please email missionfpnv@gmail.com or talk to anyone from the Mission and Outreach Committee.



Wonders of the Night Sky: Friday, May 2—Save the date and join us for our Wonders of the Night Sky event, a photographic journey of the night sky. On Friday, May 2, attendees will enjoy a dinner at 6:00 p.m. followed by a presentation at 7:00 p.m. Sign ups will be available in the coming weeks.

FPCN Day of Service: Sunday, May 18—Mark your calendars! Please plan to join us at 10:00 a.m. on May 18 for our next church-wide Day of Service. We will start with breakfast and a brief worship time together, then continue our worship through our acts. More details to come. If you are interested in leading an activity or have ideas for activities, please email missionfpnv@gmail.com or talk to anyone from the Mission & Outreach Committee.

Civic Concern—Currently, the most needed items are tuna, canned fruit, packaged pasta and rice, cereal, and toilet tissue. Thank you so much for your generosity.

Pop Tab Collection—Great things come in small packages! Collecting pop tabs is an easy way to support Ronald McDonald House which provides a “home away from home” for families whose seriously ill children are undergoing medical treatment at C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital. You can drop off aluminum tabs in the containers in Boll Hall or see Stephen Flavin or Carol Maise. There are also several ways you can volunteer your time to the Ronald McDonald House charities. If you are interested, go to <https://rmhcann Arbor.org/how-to-help/>.



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• Eggstravaganza •
Egg hunt, crafts, & games

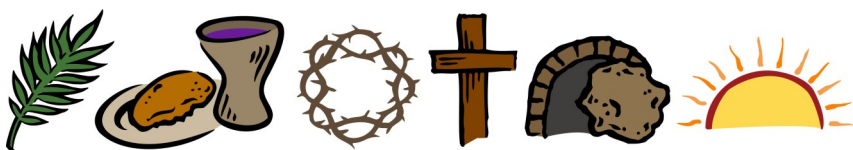
FREE
FAMILY
EVENT

EGG HUNT

First
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Saturday, April 19th
10:00am to Noon
egg hunt every 20 minutes
200 E Main St. Northville, MI 48167
Enter from Hutton Street
Questions?
(248) 349 0911
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Lent and Easter Events 2025



Weekly Worship:

Sundays at 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary & Facebook

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, April 13 at 10:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday with dinner and
communion: April 17 at 7:00 p.m., Boll Hall

Good Friday: April 18 at 7:00 p.m.

Easter Family Fun

Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, April 13,
11:15 a.m., Christian Life Center

Egg-stravaganza, Saturday, April 19,
10 a.m.-12 noon, Welcome Center

Easter Sunday, April 20

Sunrise Worship: 6:30 a.m.

Church courtyard on the corner of
Church & Cady Sts.; communion served

Traditional Worship with strings: 10:00 a.m.

Daily Devotionals:

Provided in the weekly Friday e-mail

*Watch our website and Facebook page
for additional events*

WEEK OF MARCH 30, 2025 — APRIL 6, 2025

Sun. 3/30		Fourth Sunday of Lent
	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
	6:00 pm	APEX Youth Group, Youth Room
Mon. 3/31	6:00 pm	Crew 755, CLC
	7:00 pm	Scout Troop 755, CLC
Tue. 4/1	8:00 pm	AA Meeting, CLC
	8:00 pm	AI-Anon Meeting, Boll Hall
Wed. 4/2	8:00 am	Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
	10:00 am	Walking Group, Ford Field (Northville)
	1:00 pm	Property Meeting, Music Center
	6:00 pm	Worship Committee, Gathering Room
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thurs. 4/3	6:00 pm	Fellowship Activities, Library
	6:15 pm	Yoga, Children's Wing
	7:00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center
	7:00 pm	Men's Discussion Group, Gathering Room
Fri. 4/4	10:00 am	Agape, Boll Hall
Sat. 4/5		
Sun. 4/6		Fifth Sunday of Lent & Communion Sunday
	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
	6:00 pm	APEX Youth Group, Youth Room