

***YOU ARE WITNESSES
OF
THESE
THINGS.***

LUKE 24:48

**APRIL 14, 2024
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER**

**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 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 and Fughetto on "Crusader's Hymn"* G.Young

Announcements

Introit *"I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked"* D. Wagner
Te Deum Handbell Choir

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

One: We gather with joy, for Easter brings us new life.

All: The Risen Christ is with us wherever we go.

One: Love breaks all bonds and unites us in hope.

All: Christ has defeated death. Let us rejoice and be glad!

One: Come and worship with hearts full of praise.

All: O God, receive our grateful Hallelujahs!

*Opening Prayer

***Hymn** *Fairest Lord Jesus* #630

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God our Redeemer, in raising Jesus from the dead, you showed us your power to defeat all that brings fear and sorrow to our lives. Yet we confess we are sometimes uncertain if we can trust the promise of resurrection for ourselves. Forgive us when we struggle to trust your goodness. Forgive us when we miss the signs of your love in our midst.

(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Message

Stephen Flavin

Prayer for Illumination

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Scripture Readings

First Scripture Reading— John 3:1-7

¹See 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. ²Beloved, 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. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

⁴Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Second Scripture Reading—Luke 24:36b-48

Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Meditation

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Call for the Offering

Offertory

"There is a Redeemer"
Te Deum Handbell Choir

Lloyd Larson

***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**

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

#547

***Benediction**

***Sung Response**

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

#250

Postlude

Postlude and Fughetto on "Ar Hyd Y Nos" D. Wagner



Worship Leaders and Staff:

Program Ministry

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

Liturgist

Debo Sopo

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Dr. Jerry Custer, Vocal Music Director
Nancy Plumley, Te Deum Handbell Director
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Paige Poinsett, Daytime Sexton
Zak Bugosh, Evening Sexton

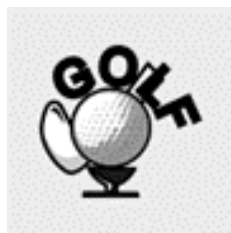
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The Bulletin Board



Applications for the Marlow Van Soest and the Educational Endowment scholarships are now available. To apply please see Friday email. Applications must be received no later than April 30th and should be submitted to Stephen Flavin at stephenflavin@fpcnorthville.org.

Women's Golf – The First Presbyterian Church Women's Golf group will swing into action on Tuesdays starting April 30th. We play at Riverbank Golf Course on Ten Mile Road in South Lyon. Tee times are 4:15 - 5:00 pm. Our schedule is flexible and you can play the weeks you want. Contact Carol Maise at Maise729@yahoo.com if you are interested.



VBS 2024 will soon be here, June 24th – 28th, with almost 100 children from our community already registered. Help us make this a wonderful event by sharing your time and energy with these children for a few hours each morning. Let Stephen know you'd like to volunteer. stephenflavin@fpcnorthville.org

Donate your eclipse glasses. Sunday School Superstar Amelia Walford is collecting gently used eclipse glasses to send to school children in South America so they can safely watch the eclipse happening there later this year. A collection basket will be at the welcome desk through the end of the month.

You don't need to be a deacon to serve. If you would like to help provide meals, or sometimes rides, for members of our congregation who occasionally need support, we would love to add you to our list of helpers. Tell Stephen you'd like to help when you're available. stephenflavin@fpcnorthville.org



IN OUR



Thoughts and Prayers

Congregation: Jim Atkinson; Grant Beringer; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Louise Fisher; Virginia Heckler; Ron and Lois Housman; Beth Jones; Sandy Lyon; Donald Morgan; Charles Peltz; Jeanne Planet; Dale Robison; Judy Russell; June Tervo; Ann and Dick Werther; Jan Wilhelm; Debbie Wood.

Friends and Family: Kimberly Atkinson (family of Jim & Marilyn Atkinson); Patricia Bader (mother of Dave Bader); Heather Belkadi, (daughter of Tammy Fulton); Esme Clise and family (NEW grandchild of Kent and Paula Clise); Rick Custer (brother of Jerry Custer); Verne Dalum (cousin of Bev Hines); Vera Davey (grandma of Pastor Jackie); Dave and Annette Duchamp (parents of Vivienne Ward); the family of Tom Ernst; Jackie Fisher (mother of Louise Fisher); Grandson of friend of Janet Heath-Morgan; Connie Hassaballa (sister of Sandy Robison & Judy Russell); Makayla (granddaughter of Neyssa Gill); Mark Ivankovics (brother-in-law of Louise Fisher); Robert Kirn (son of Mary Kirn); Arden Lee (friend of Abbe MacDonald); Roger Lakin (brother of Jennie Macy); 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); Kimmy Odtohan; Pat Schoch (friend of Katherine Gricius); Terry Wingblad (friend of Darleen Sweeney); Sarah Walter (niece of Tim Doty); Kelly Williams and family (former member and friend of FPCN); Randy Wisner (cousin of Darleen Sweeney).

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.***

You're Invited!

Wonders of the Night Sky



Friday, April 26th in Boll Hall

6:00 pm - Dinner

7:00 pm - Presentation Begins

Join us for a photographic journey of the night sky, including images of near-earth and deep space objects captured using simple as well as advanced techniques.

Speaker: Glenn Kaatz

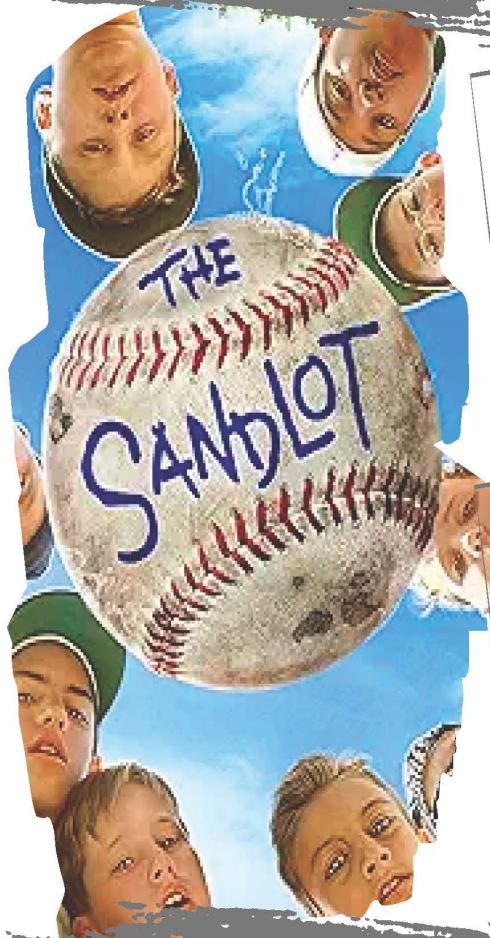
RSVP by Friday, April 19th on the clipboard in your pew or on the Sign-Up Genius link by scanning this QR Code or in the Friday Email.

A freewill offering will be collected for the dinner.

For questions contact Vivienne Ward 248-767-9146 or Nancy Kaatz 734-718-1179.



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SHARE THE NOSTALGIA
BRING A BLANKET &
CUDDLE UP TO
A CLASSIC

ENJOY HOTDOGS
& SMORES
& GAMES FOR
THE LITTLE ONES

SUNDAY APRIL 28TH @ 4:00PM
IN BOLL HALL



Camp Firelight

A SUMMER CAMP

Psalm 56:3

ADVENTURE WITH GOD

PRE-K THRU 5TH GRADE

VBS 2024

JUNE 24-28

9:00AM-12:00PM

CRAFTS

SCIENCE

MUSIC

SNACKS

GAMES

REGISTER NOW

FREE

LIMITED SPACES

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WEEK OF APRIL 14— APRIL 21, 2024

Sun. 4/14	8:45 am	Kerygma, Middle School Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Education Wing
	11:30 am	Children & Youth Committee Meeting, Youth Room
	6:30 pm	GAP & APEX Youth Group, Youth Room
Mon. 4/15	6:00 pm	Venture Crew Scouts, CLC
	7:00 pm	Scouts, CLC
Tue. 4/16	9:30 am	Fellowship Activities, Gathering Room
	5:00 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. 4/17	8:00 am	Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
	10:00 am	Living & Learning Team Visit
	5:30 pm	Pickleball Private Event, CLC
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	7:00 pm	Men's Discussion Group, Gathering Room
Thurs. 4/18	6:15 pm	Yoga, CLC
	7:00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center
Fri. 4/19	9:15 am	Agape, Gathering Room
Sat. 4/20		
Sun. 4/21	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Education Wing
	6:30 pm	GAP & APEX Youth Groups, Youth Room

