



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

508 FRANKLIN AVENUE, GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN 49417

WELCOME
we're glad you are here

September 6, 2020

Communion Sunday

10:00 a.m.

Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon, Senior Pastor
Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce, Associate Pastor
Rev. Scott Stanley, Parish Associate
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But I can't be alone in a crowded room
Where my thoughts, they run like water down a flume
There are days when I will let the darkness rise
I don't always choose to stay on the sunny side
Sometimes I pretend we never met
Because it's harder to forgive than to forget
Sometimes it's harder to forgive

--Harder to Forgive, Brandi Carlile

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PRELUDE—*Reflection: "Let Us Break Bread Together"*

John Erickson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT—*Holy Spirit*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song; give praise in the assembly of the faithful.

All: For the Lord takes pleasure in the people and adorns the humble with victory.

One: Let us praise God's name with dancing, making melody with tambourine and lyre.

All: Let the faithful exult in glory; we will sing for your joy and let the high praises of God be in our throats.

One: Let us worship God!

LIGHTING THE CANDLE TOGETHER

OPENING SONG—*Dream Small*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus Christ, we know we are to serve you in all that we do. Yet we turn our backs on you when we are called upon to act. Our eyes deceive us when we covet what belongs to others. While we may not murder we do not hesitate to harm others emotionally and mentally. By ignoring injustice, we hope that it will subside. We fail to love our neighbors as Christ taught us to do. We confess our unworthiness to wear your mantle of love.

(time for silent confession)

RESPONSE—*Kyrie*

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE—*Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Lesson—Psalm 149

Second Lesson—Matthew 18:15-20

*For those who are able, please stand.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY—*Your Grace Finds Me*

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF 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 our thanks and praise...

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE MEAL

SENDING PRAYER

CLOSING SONG—*Give Praise to the Lord*

Hymn #550

CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

One: As we faithfully live our lives in this coming week, what does God call us to do?

All: We are called to celebrate God's grace as a Christ-centered community of acceptance, growing in faith and living as Christ's hands to serve.BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE—*Let There Be Peace*POSTLUDE—*Prelude and Fugue in G Minor*

Johann Sebastian Bach

WORSHIP CONCLUDES—SERVICE BEGINS!

The flowers in the chancel are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Millie "Marie" and Harley Pfeiffer whose birthdays were September 9th & 10th by Robin and Bob Eidson and family.

**Our Church Family & Friends****Our prayers of sympathy:** For the family and friends of Carol Folkert who passed away on August 30th.**Prayer requests:** Martha Alexander, Brian Anderson and Joan Tandler, Mary Lou Bender, Betty Berg, Karen Fox, Marilew Helmers, Stan Johnson, Paul Lampe, Beverly Purcell, Barbara Race, Lisa Stoner, and Jim & Sandy Teunis

Your ongoing generosity with the church is appreciated! A drop box has been installed between the set of doors at the Clinton Street entrance where you can securely drop off your offering while maintaining "social distancing." You can also mail your offering: 508 Franklin Ave, GH 49417, give online using onrealm.org or text **FPGH** to **73256**. We are working hard to keep the church strong, serving, and ready to relaunch as soon as we are able. *Thank you!*

**Worship Leaders:**

Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon, Senior Pastor; Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce, Associate Pastor; Rob Hlebinsky, Organist; Marc Felt, Gathering Band Director; Amy Geren, Nathan Howe, and Aaron Portenga, Musicians