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Church of Monroe

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The mission of the First Presbyterian Church is to be ambassadors for Jesus Christ and to proclaim his salvation in worship, education, and outreach.

# Third Sunday after Pentecost

*\*We invite all who are able to stand where there is an asterisk.*

## OPENING WORDS

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove, with all your quickening powers;

**kindle a flame of sacred love in these cold hearts of ours.**

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Might, and cleanse us of our fears;

**light the flame of hope and joy that wipes away the tears.**

## PRELUDE

“Fanfare”

Michael Helman

*Sanctus Ringers*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Give ear to my words, O Lord,

give heed to my sighing.

**Listen to the sound of our cry,**

**for to you alone do we pray.**

O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice,

in the morning I plead my case and watch.

**Lead us, O God, in the ways of your righteousness.**

**Make your way straight before us.**

**For you bless the righteous, O God,**

**and you cover them with favor.**

## \*OPENING HYMN #645

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God, you have given us all we need. And yet we look with envy upon the blessings and good fortunes of others. We resent their bounty, we envy their talents, we compare and bemoan what we perceive as lack and loss. We know that you detest our attitudes and ambition. And so we ask that you root out this evil in our heart. Forgive us for failing to rejoice with the happy ones and for lacking compassion for the unfortunate. Come to live in us again as Holy Spirit, so that we may love our assigned lot, walk with our neighbor, and live wholly for you.**

## SILENT CONFESSION

HYMN #579                    “Lord, Have Mercy”  
*Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

\*SONG OF AFFIRMATION #300                    “We Are One in the Spirit”                    v. 2

*We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand; we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand, and together we will spread the news that God is in our land: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

## CHILDREN'S BLESSING

*Children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and younger are welcome to continue worship in the Wee Believers Room, #159.*

## PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING — 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

NT p. 181

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING — Mark 3:20-35

NT p. 37-38

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON                    “Family Ties”

HYMN #377                    “I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”

OFFERING                    *Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Registry.*

OFFERTORY

“Festive Fanfare”

Arnold Sherman

\*DOXOLOGY ★606

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Thank you, Lord, for creating us as members of the human race. Thank you, Lord, for redeeming and cleansing us from the dark stains of sin. Thank you, Lord, for renewing us unto new life and the freedom of the children of God whose lives will point to you. Amen.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. (. . .) In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.**

*From A Brief Statement of Faith, The Book of Confessions*

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*HYMN #432 “How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord”

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

“Toccata”

Michael Helman

*Please remain seated during the playing of the Postlude.*

## TODAY

### **Fellowship in Boyd Chapel**

Please join us for fellowship in Boyd Chapel after worship today.

### **Congregational Meeting**

There will be a congregational meeting after worship today for the purpose of electing three new deacons, Kathy Fogle, Cathy Shorter, and Dale DeSloover.

### **Welcome to FPC of Monroe!**

We are glad you are here today! We hope you find this a community of faith where you experience God in Jesus Christ. Childcare is always provided on Sunday mornings and the nursery is located near the parking lot entrance of the church. Hearing assistance is available.

### **Youth Group and Confirmation Class**

The next meeting is this Wednesday, **June 20** from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. in the youth room.

### **Invisible City**

This Saturday, **June 16**, from 9:00 am.-5:00 p.m. is “Make a Difference Day” an ecumenical and community-wide event and will kick off at Oaks of Righteousness. On Wednesday, **June 27**, from 9:00 a.m.-noon we will be cleaning, scrubbing and organizing our kitchen where we serve the Community of Need Meal. Please remember to sign up in the CE Lobby or in the narthex.

### **Martha Mary Circle Sewing Workshop**

The Martha Mary Circle would like to invite all of the ladies to attend a sewing workshop tomorrow, **June 11** at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall where we will be working on flannel blankets, knitting, and needlework projects. A couple sewing machines will be made available for use. Hope you can join us for this fun and special time of fellowship! Lunch will be provided.

### **Mud Hens Game**

Let's all go to the Ball Game! Mudhens will be playing Indianapolis on Tuesday, **June 26**. It is a 12:05 p.m. game. We will carpool from the church parking lot at 11:00 a.m. For questions, see Judy Chesman.



## **Sparklers**

The “Sparklers” will be dusting and polishing the Sanctuary on **June 13** at 1:00 p.m. If you can come to help, it would be very much appreciated.

## **Ohio Light Opera**

Please note that the Best Western is booked. However, there are several other hotels still available. Please call the church office for details.

## **Chair Yoga**

Chair Yoga will begin to meet on Tuesdays beginning this Tuesday, **June 12** at 10:00 a.m.

## **Mission and Outreach**

We are collecting plastic ware for Oaks of Righteousness this month. Forks are especially needed. Many thanks.

## **Prayer Team**

Lois Barnes is heading up the Prayer Team. Please direct any prayer requests to her. You may text or call Lois at 419-308-0262. Information shared is confidential!

## **Sermons**

Printed copies of the weekly sermon are available in the church office in the mailbox labeled Sermons.

### **Staff:**

**Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Annemarie Kidder; **Director of Music Ministry:** Susan Barker;

**Administrative Assistant:** Sara Jones; **Financial Secretary:** Suzanne Bondie;

**Sexton:** Gary Bogedain; **Childcare:** Suzanne Bondie, Amy Morgan;

**Custodian:** Sean Farris

**Pastors Emeriti:** Rev. Dean McGormley, Rev. Dr. Ellen McGormley

**Liturgist:** Helyn Schroeder

**Ushers:** Cory and Kathy Fogle; Rusty and Cathy Shorter

## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

These readings are from the Lectionary. We invite you to take time each day to read the Bible passages in preparation for Sunday morning.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mark 3:20-35</b>	<b>Doing the work of God</b>
Monday	Genesis 3:8-15	Adam and Eve hide from God
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1	Living by faith
Wednesday	Hosea 14:1-9	Plea for repentance
Thursday	Hebrews 10:19-25	Care for the community of faith
Friday	Matthew 8:1-4	Jesus cleanses a leper
Saturday	Psalms 130	Prayer of lament and hope
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mark 4:26-34</b>	<b>The use of parables</b>

## **THIS WEEK**

SUNDAY	11:15	Fellowship (Boyd Chapel)
	11:15	Congregational Meeting
MONDAY	10:00	Martha Mary Circle Sewing Workshop
	7:00	AA (Fellowship Hall)
TUESDAY	10:00	Chair Yoga
	11:00	No Staff Meeting
	5:30	No Congregational Life Committee
	6:00	No Finance Committee
	7:00	No Mission and Outreach Committee
WEDNESDAY	1:00	Deacons Visit
	1:00	Sparklers
	5:00	Worship Committee
	7:00	Property Committee
THURSDAY	6:00	Community of Need Meal (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00	TOPS
	6:00	Personnel Committee
FRIDAY	9:00	TOPS
		Hayes-Jansen Wedding Rehearsal
SATURDAY	8:00	Heroin Anonymous
	9:00	Invisible City at Oaks of Righteousness
	4:00	Hayes-Jansen Wedding
SUNDAY	10:00	Worship
	11:15	Fellowship