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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.

# Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost and World Communion Sunday

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

## OPENING WORDS

Test me, O Lord, and try me; and judge whether I live with integrity.

**For your love is always before my eyes, and I try to walk faithfully with you.**

I do not reside with the worthless, nor do I consort with the deceitful.

**Lord, I love the house of your worship and the place where I sense your glory.**

I am determined to live with integrity; redeem me, O Lord, and have mercy upon me.

**Place my feet on steady ground, O God, that I may worship in your congregation.**

## PRELUDE

“Lieder ohne Worte, Op. 19, No. 1”

Felix Mendelssohn

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

O come, let us make a joyful noise unto the Lord, the Creator of us all.

**Who makes of one blood all the peoples of the earth!**

O come, let us make a joyful noise unto the Lord, the Redeemer of us all,

**Who makes all peoples one that we might seek and find the Lord!**

O come, let us make a joyful noise unto the Lord, the Sustainer of us all,

**Who makes all peoples one that we might know and serve the Lord!**

O come and sing with one voice and many tongues:

**Praise the Lord, our creator, redeemer, and sustainer!**

## \*OPENING HYMN #409

“God Is Here!”

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Faithful God, you have given us a voice and song and instruments to worship you. You have given us this community of faith, fellow travelers and seekers of your ways. And you have given us the worldwide communion of brothers and sisters in Christ, who like us, worship you, the one God in three persons.**

**Today we acknowledge that we have let our denominational differences divide us. We have labeled other Christians by how they worship and how they go about their faith.**

**We are guided by caution rather than given to encouragement. And we fail to see in the other Christian the hands and feet of Christ. Forgive our prejudice, our ignorance, our pride. And open us up to study more about our own faith, our tradition, and our heritage, so that we can better share the good news of your salvation, given to all in Jesus Christ.**

## SILENT CONFESSION

HYMN #579

“Lord, Have Mercy”

*Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Believe the good news of the Gospel. Not by power, nor by might, but by my Spirit, says the Lord. Trust in God's goodness alone and rely not on your own understanding.

**We will rely on God more and his strength through Christ who died for us.  
Amen.**

## \*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”

*We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;  
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,  
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored;  
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 — Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

NT p. 218-219

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON “Turning Around”

HYMN #625 “O Lord My God”

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

OFFERTORY “Lieder ohne Worte, Op. 53, No. 4” Felix Mendelssohn

\*DOXOLOGY ★606

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**These offerings we bring to you, God of grace, as expressions of our gratitude. Use them and us in the mission of your church as it guards the sacred treasure of the gospel by giving it away for the healing of the world. Amen.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—Nicene Creed (381), contemporary version

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, one in Being with the Father. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,**

**By the power of the Holy Spirit he was born of the Virgin Mary and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered, died and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. Who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic church and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

#### PRAYER FOR WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

**Almighty God, you built your worldwide church on the foundations of the apostles and prophets, who have proclaimed your gospel in spirit and in truth. You built it on Jesus Christ himself, who is the cornerstone, the pioneer, and the perfecter of our faith. Gather your church in unity on this day by your Holy Spirit that it may manifest your power among all the peoples of the world to the glory of your everlasting name. Amen.**

#### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

##### THE TABLE IS PREPARED

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

##### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

“Holy, Holy, Holy” #562

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

##### 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.**

## THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*All who profess Christ as their Lord and Savior are welcome to partake of the meal he has prepared for us.*

## COMMUNION PRAYER

Here in this place our thirst has been quenched.

**Let us carry the cup beyond the door.**

Here in this place our hunger has been sated.

**Let us bear the bread into the world.**

Let us carry the cup that it might be lifted; let us bear the bread that it might be broken.

**From life to life, God's life is given! From life to life, all life is saved!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*HYMN #526                      “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE                      “Lieder ohne Worte, Op. 38, No. 3”                      Felix Mendelssohn

## TODAY

### **World Communion Sunday and International Potluck**

This morning during worship we will observe World Communion Sunday and following worship there will be an International Potluck dinner. Please bring a dish to pass!

### **About our Guest Musician**

Joshua Marzan is a freelance pianist in the Southeast Michigan area. He currently works for the University of Michigan as a staff pianist, playing with instrumentalists and coaching singers. He plays for various auditions, competitions, and concerts, including recitals with DSO members. Before coming to Michigan, Joshua received a BM in Piano Performance from Virginia Commonwealth University and a MM and GD in Collaborative Piano from the New England Conservatory. He recently graduated with a DMA in Collaborative Piano from the University of Michigan under Martin Katz.

## **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, wheel chairs, and walkers are also available.

## **Reception for Pastor Annemarie Kidder**

There will be a special reception in honor of Pastor Annemarie Kidder after worship on Sunday, **October 14** in Boyd Chapel given by the Worship Committee. Please join us to greet and wish her well in her next endeavors.

## **Adult Education**

Throughout the month at 9:30 a.m. Dallas Dieckmann will continue a study on 1 Corinthians in the Cairl Room. Nursery will be provided.

## **Martha Mary Circle**

The Martha Mary Circle will be meeting tomorrow Monday, **October 8** at 1:00 p.m. in the Cairl Room. All ladies are invited to attend. Please join us and bring a friend!

## **Senior Discovery Day at the Toledo Zoo**

The Martha Mary Circle would like to invite everyone to attend a trip to the Toledo Zoo for Senior Discovery Day on Tuesday, **October 9**. We will carpool from the church at 10:00 a.m. On that day the zoo will feature a Big Band Concert of Jeff McDonald's Swingmania from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Free admission to any Senior age 60 and over. Please join us as we discover new animals and enjoy the music.

## **Sparklers**

Our "Sparklers" will meet on Wednesday, **October 10** at 1:00 p.m. to dust and polish the sanctuary. For questions, please see Carol Rabun and Alice Kostoff.

## **Men's Prayer Breakfast**

The Men's Prayer Breakfast will take place at the Fifth Wheel Restaurant this Saturday, **October 13** at 8:30 a.m. Please sign up in the CE Lobby.

## **Dish Pick Up from the Public Luncheon**

Please remember to pick up your dishes that you brought to the Public Luncheon. They are in the Resource Room next to the Cairl Room. Some dishes have been left from the spring luncheons.

### **Thursday Morning Bible Study**

On Thursdays, at 10:00 a.m. Cindy Morgan and Alice Kostoff are co-facilitating a study on the Gospel of Mark based on N.T. Wright's Bible study series in the Cairl Room. This is open to everyone. Each week we are growing in the word of Christ. Please join us!

### **Pastoral Care Needs**

Please direct any Pastoral Care needs to the Church Office. Information shared is confidential!

### **Ecumenical Youth Group**

The Rev. Kevin Eccles has launched an ecumenical Bible Study for Youth. Youth from any of our area churches are invited to meet at the Monroe Free Methodist Church at 3928 E. Dunbar Road, Monroe. The group meets on Wednesdays from 6:45 to 8:00 p.m. Youth may join at any time. The focus of the study is the Book of Jonah and the Gospel of Luke. To make reservations, please call the church at (734) 863-4321.

### **New Children's Message Series**

We have kicked off a new children's message series called "Treasure Box." Children will bring up a "treasure box" that contains one item and bring it forward. The pastor will then have to come up with a story or biblical message that's related to this item.

### **Sermons**

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

#### **Staff:**

**Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Annemarie Kidder; **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:** Charlotte Frary

**Ushers:** Carol Rabun; Kim Hooper; Gary and Jo-Ann Follbaum

## **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 10:2-16</b>	<b>Jesus blesses the children</b>
Monday	Genesis 2:18-24	God creates a partner for man
Tuesday	Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12	God has spoken by his Son
Wednesday	Matthew 18:1-6	Welcoming a little child
Thursday	Deuteronomy 11:13-21	Teaching the children
Friday	Ephesians 6:1-9	Instructions for the household
Saturday	Psalm 8	God honors humanity
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mark 10:17-31</b>	<b>A rich man goes away sad</b>

## THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	12:15	International Potluck
MONDAY	1:00	Martha Mary Circle
	6:00	Chair Yoga
	7:00	AA (Fellowship Hall)
TUESDAY	10:00	Chair Yoga
	10:00	Carpool for Toledo Zoo Trip
	11:00	Staff Meeting
	5:30	Congregational Life Committee
	6:00	Finance Committee
	7:00	Mission and Outreach Committee
WEDNESDAY	1:00	Sparklers
	1:00	Deacons Visit
	5:00	Worship Committee
	6:00	Ecumenical Youth Group (Monroe Free Methodist)
	7:00	Property Committee
THURSDAY	10:00	Bible Study
	6:00	Personnel Committee
	6:00	Community of Need Meal (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00	TOPS
FRIDAY	9:00	TOPS
	8:00	Heroin Anonymous
SATURDAY	8:30	Men's Breakfast at Fifth Wheel Restaurant
	10:00	Dieckmann Bridal Shower (Boyd Chapel)
SUNDAY	9:30	Adult Education (Cairl Room)
	11:00	Worship
	12:15	Reception in honor of Pastor Annemarie Kidder
	12:15	Deacons Meeting

## **Sermon Notes**

