

First 
Presbyterian
Church of Monroe

March 10, 2019; 11:00 AM

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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.

First Sunday in Lent

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

OPENING WORDS

Now is the moment of grace.

This is the hour of blessing.

For this is the day God is making.

Let us rejoice and sing.

PRELUDE

“Ah Holy Jesus”

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Call on the name of the Lord and be saved!

We confess Jesus with our lips.

Believe in the name of the Lord and be saved!

We believe in Jesus with all our hearts.

Live as disciples of Jesus and be saved!

We will live and worship, blessed and redeemed by our living savior.

*OPENING HYMN #166

“Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we have so often allowed ourselves to seek after every temptation the world has been able to place before us instead of calling only on you. We have sought after wealth, youth, power, and even other religions, for in them we thought we would find life. We have been slow to turn to you. Forgive us, Lord, and receive us again as your children. In Christ we pray.

SILENT CONFESSION

HYMN #579

“Lord, Have Mercy”

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

***SONG OF AFFIRMATION #634** “To God Be the Glory” vs. 1 and chorus
To God be the glory; great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in. Praise the Lord; praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory: great things he has done!

CHILDREN'S TIME

Winnie Findley

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING –Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING –Luke 4:1-13

NT p. 61

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SERMON

“Are You Tempted?”

Rev. Dean McGormley

HYMN #783

“When We Are Tested”

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

In a broken and fearful world the spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying “Come, Lord Jesus!” ---- A Brief Statement of Faith

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

OFFERTORY “If You Believe and I Believe and We Together Pray”

*DOXOLOGY #606

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Mighty God, when we were slaves in Egypt, you rescued us with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. With signs and wonders, you led us into a land flowing with milk and honey. We come to you today, thankful for your manifold blessings. Receive these offerings as the first fruits of all that you have given us. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 #307 “God of Grace and God of Glory”

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE “Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus”

TODAY

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through One Great Hour of Sharing to share God's love with people experiencing need. Your gifts support God's people experiencing need in supporting ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance, resettlement, food for the hungry, community development that helps people find safe refuge, start new lives, and work together to strengthen families and communities. Please pick up a "fish" offering box to place your coins in during the Lent season this morning, **March 10** and on Easter Sunday, April 21 we will take up the "One Great Hour of Sharing" Offering during Worship.

Daylight Savings Time Begins Today!!!



Time to Spring Ahead!! Daylight Savings Time begins today, **March 10!!!** We are glad that you are here to worship with us this morning and hope that you have set your clocks one hour ahead.

A Lenten Study Group after Worship

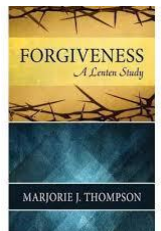
After worship this morning please join us for a Lenten Study Group which is being led by Winnie Findley. We are studying the book, "Forgiveness, a Lenten Study", by Marjorie J. Thompson.

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.

Lenten Studies

Our three Lenten Study groups will be studying "Forgiveness, a Lenten Study" by Marjorie J. Thompson during Lent. The classes will begin on Thursday, **March 7** at 10:00 a.m. with Cindy Morgan leading; on Sunday, **March 10** after Worship with Winnie Findley leading, and on Wednesday, **March 13** at 6:00 p.m. with the Rev. Dr. Ellen McGormley leading. The classes will last approximately 45 minutes. If you wish to purchase a book, please see Judy Chesman. The cost is \$9.00. There will be no Adult Education on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. during the Lenten Study Series (March 10 through April 14). Please join us as we journey through this season of Lent and practice forgiveness in our lives!



Martha Mary Circle

The Martha Mary Circle will be meeting on Monday, **March 11** at 1:00 p.m. at the Manse for a regular meeting.

Socialites

The next meeting of the Socialites will be on Saturday, **March 16** at 5:30 p.m. at the Schroeder residence. This is open to all singles, widows, and widowers with a time for fellowship and delicious food! Please join us!

Project Day!!

On **March 19** at 11:00 a.m. the Martha Mary Circle will be having a Project Day! Please bring any projects you are working on. We will be making mats, flannel blankets, and knitting for mission, or making prayer shawls. Yoshie Pomerville weaves mats from grocery bags (please bring some with you, if you wish). Helyn Schroeder will be providing lunch and you may leave when you need to. This is an opportunity for Christian women to share fellowship with one another. Please come and invite a friend!

Promedica Hospice Volunteer Opportunity

It's about how you live! Hospice care is not about dying; it is about living. Providing comfort and quality of life at end of life is Promedica Hospice's mission. Don't say you can't until you come hear how YOU CAN! Volunteers are needed for any of the following: Friendly Companionship visits (read, watch TV, share stories, and more), and Veterans needed to honor our patients who have served our country. Please consider going to the next two day volunteer training class to be held at Promedica Hospice at 1070 N. Monroe Street, Suite A, Monroe, MI 48162 on Wednesday, **March 27** and Thursday, **March 28** from 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. Please contact Jeri Dushane, Promedica Hospice Volunteer Coordinator at (734) 240-8946 for any questions and to RSVP for the training.

Pastoral Care Needs

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

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.

Sunday	Luke 4:1-13	The temptation of Jesus
Monday	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	A confession of faith
Tuesday	Romans 10:8b-13	Salvation is for all
Wednesday	Zechariah 3:1-10	The Lord clothes Joshua
Thursday	1 John 2:1-6	Christ helps us
Friday	Job 1:1-22	Job and his family
Saturday	Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16	The Lord is my fortress
Sunday	Luke 13:31-35	Jesus' sorrow over Jerusalem

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	9:30	No Adult Education (Cairl Room)
	11:00	Worship
	12:15	Fellowship (Boyd Chapel)
	12:15	Deacons Meeting
	12:15	Lenten Study Group led by Winnie Findley
MONDAY	1:00	Martha Mary Circle (Manse)
	6:00	Chair Yoga
	7:00	Property Committee
	7:00	AA (Fellowship Hall)
TUESDAY	10:00	Chair Yoga
	11:00	Staff Meeting
	5:30	Congregational Life Committee
	6:00	Finance Committee
	7:00	Mission and Outreach Committee
WEDNESDAY	6:00	Lenten Study Group led by Rev. Dr. Ellen McGormley
	6:30	Bell Choir
	7:30	Choir practice
THURSDAY	10:00	Lenten Study Group led by Cindy Morgan
	6:00	Personnel Committee
	6:00	Community of Need Meal (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00	TOPS
FRIDAY	9:00	TOPS
	8:00	Heroin Anonymous
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Church Leadership

Elders

Class of 2019

Jim Heisler
Rusty Shorter
Kathy Lee

Class of 2020

Cheryl Eder
Jennifer Hueston
Alan Schroeder

Class of 2021

Diane Adams
Jim Crammond
Dale DeSloover

Committee Chairperson(s)

Building and Property: Jim Heisler; Dale DeSloover

Congregational Life: Kathy Lee; Cheryl Eder

Finance: Alan Schroeder

Mission and Outreach: Jim Crammond

Personnel and Policy: Jennifer Hueston; Cheryl Eder

Worship: Diane Adams

Deacons

Class of 2019

Ann Lux
Karen Sobieralski
Mary DeSloover
Jeffrey Haman
Judy Chesman

Class of 2020

Liz Cunningham
Ann Orwin
David Nielsen

Class of 2021

Lynn Geiman
Gwen Peters

Moderator of Deacons: Ann Lux

Vice Moderators of Deacons: Mary DeSloover and Gwen Peters

Church Staff:

Co-Interim Pastors: Rev. Dr. Ellen McGormley and Rev. Dean McGormley;
Ellen: (734) 652-7147 (home) and Dean: (734) 497-8069 (home)

This Week they will be in the office on Tuesday (11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.);

Wednesday (12:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.) and Thursday (9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.)

Director of Music Ministries: Robert Edwards;

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

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

Custodian: Sean Farris

Liturgist: Jeff Haman

Ushers: Kim Hooper, Marilyn Marshall, George Kostoff

Easter Flower Order Form



**Easter is just around the corner!
It's time to order flowers for the season!**

The following flower varieties will be available:

Easter Lily

1 Stem - \$ 8.50 _____

2 Stem - \$14.50 _____

3 Stem - \$19.00 _____

Tulips

\$8.50 _____

Hyacinths

\$8.50 _____

Orders must be received by **Sunday, March 31**, and will be ordered on **Thursday, April 4**. Please fill out the order form in the bulletin or call Sara in the office at 734-242-1545 to order. Please feel free to take your plant home after the 11:00 a.m. Easter Service on Sunday, April 21.

In honor of: _____

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In memory of: _____

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Donated by: _____

Sermon Notes





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