



January 12, 2025
First Sunday After Epiphany
Ordination and Installation of Officers

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 *Soul, Adorn thyself with Gladness* J.S. Bach

Announcements

Introit *Angels We Have Heard on High* **#113**
Chancel Choir

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

One: Beloved, God chooses us and calls us by name.

All: We belong to God. Alleluia!

One: Our lives have purpose because we belong to God.

All: We are called to be like Christ and follow him.

One: We will find joy, peace, and restoration through God's amazing grace.

All: Let us worship God who claims us and loves us!
Praise be to God!

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn** *Sing Glory to the Name of God* **#10**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, but we confess that we prefer our old, familiar ways. We cling to destructive habits and harbor grudges. We are reluctant to welcome a stranger or forgive one another. Nostalgia for the past prevents us from exploring new possibilities. In your loving kindness, forgive us. Have mercy upon us and move among us so that we might pursue new life in Christ together.

(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

* Please rise in body or spirit. 3

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

First Scripture Reading— Isaiah 43:1-7

¹But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth — ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Second Scripture Reading— Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Meditation

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Ordination & Installation of Officers

Deacon: Susan Bartlett, Karen Cornely*, Laurie Doner*, Earl Eiben, Louise Fisher*, Beth Heberlein, Wendy Richardville

Elder: Lynn Betker, Tim Blanch*, Debby DeLaby, Jennie Macy

*To be ordained

****Profession of Faith***

Leader: With the whole church, let us confess our faith.
Do you believe in God the Father?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, Born of the Virgin Mary suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Leader: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sung Response

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky
(verse 1 and refrain)

#69

Call for the Offering

Offertory *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* John Goss
Chancel Choir

***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** *Baptized in Water* **#482**

***Benediction**

***Sung Response** *Go Tell It on the Mountain* **#136**

Postlude *Postlude on the Agincourt Hymn* A. D. Miller

Worship Leaders and Staff:

Program Ministry

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

Liturgist

Deb Gammons

Music Ministry

Dr. Jerry Custer, Vocal Music Director
Nancy Plumley, Te Deum Handbell Director
Dr. Dave Wagner, Organist/Accompanist

Technology

Jonathan Toth, A/V Tech

Preschool

Lisa Higley, Director
Cynthia Korpela, Assistant Director

Office Staff

Kelly Sartorius, Church Administrator
Kelly Clarke, Accounting Clerk
Hannah Johnson, Communications Associate

Sextons

Paige Poinsett, Daytime Sexton
Zak Bugosh, Evening Sexton





IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Congregation: Jim & Marilyn Atkinson; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Doris Edwards; Louise Fisher; Kathy Gricius; Virginia Heckler; Ron and Lois Housman; Donna Kennedy; Lucille Kimpel; Patrick McKinney; Darleen Sweeney; June Tervo; Vivienne Ward; Dick Werther; Debbie Wood.

Friends and Family: John Antone (friend of Wanda Moon); Kimberly Atkinson (family of Jim & Marilyn Atkinson); Mary Beckner (mother of Sharon York); Carolyn Blaszczowski (friend of Deb and Tim Gammons); Jeff Brown (friend of Dick Werther); Peg Custer (mother of Jerry Custer); family of Jim Dettman (cousin of Jennie Macy); Dave and Annette Duchamp (parents of Vivienne Ward); Jackie Fisher (mother of Louise Fisher); Rita French (mother-in-law of Sarah French); The family of Sally Garman (Tim Doty's sister); Jeanette Gill (sister-in-law of Bev Hines); Connie Hassaballa (sister of Sandy Robison & Judy Russell); The Henderson Family, (relatives of Tammy Fulton); Sher and Bill Hunt (friends of Deb and Tim Gammons); Mark Ivankovics (brother-in-law of Louise Fisher); Robert Kirn (son of Mary Kirn); Makayla (granddaughter of Neyssa Gill); Radu Marginean (grandson-in-law of Jim & Marilyn Atkinson); Dave Nickel (son-in-law of Kathy Gricius); Nina & Nikolai (residing in Ukraine relatives of Marcia Booth); Chris Nikonowicz (friend of Kelly & Guy Sartorius); Barbara Onofrio (friend of Georgeann Stringer); The Rakotz Family (friends of Pastor Jackie); Pat Schoch (friend of Kathy Gricius); Billy & Trish Stamper (family of Neyssa Gill); Sandy Craig Taylor (friend of Beth & Gary Heberlein); Terry Wingblad (friend of Darleen Sweeney); Sarah Walter (niece of Tim Doty); 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.***



The Bulletin Board

APEX Dry Ingredient Gift Jars—Help the youth group get rid of the last few remaining fundraising jars. Take any 3 jars for \$20.

Session 1 of Winter Yoga has begun—The class meets on Thursdays at 6:15pm in the Children's Center. The remaining Session 1 dates are January 16, 23, 30 and February 6 and 13. The cost is \$60/six-week session or \$15 drop-in. Bring a yoga mat and a blanket/large towel to class. All levels are welcome. Contact Ann Werther for more information.

2025 Pickleball—Pickleball is back! Join beginners for an intro to pickleball, the fastest growing sport in our country. We will meet from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays in the Christian Life Center, beginning this Tuesday, January 14. Cost is a suggested weekly donation of \$5 to benefit the church. Paddles and balls are provided. Please wear tennis shoes. Contact Terry Heaton with any questions.

Agape Women's Bible Study. Please join us as we continue through *Luke in the Land* by Kristi McLelland. This study challenges us to understand the accounts of Jesus through teaching videos that take us to locations in Israel like Bethlehem, the Sea of Galilee, Gethsemane, Jerusalem, and the road to Emmaus. Along the way, you'll see how Jesus, the Messiah, brought His kingdom to earth for everybody. We meet on Fridays at 9:30 a.m. in the Gathering Room, and all women are welcome. For more information contact Carol Maise or Gretchen Mizerowski.

New Member Class A new member class is being planned for February. If you are interested in learning more about the church and becoming a formal member of the congregation, we'd love to have you! Please contact Pastor Jackie with your interest. Our new member class is a casual meeting after worship; it usually lasts 45-60 minutes.

Shoe Drive Update—Members, family and friends: Thank you for your donations to the American University of Women Northville-Novi Shoe Drive. The goal of 2500 pairs was exceeded, and 3400 pairs were collected. We could not have done this without YOU!!

Welcome, officers

Deacons



Susan Bartlett



Karen Cornely



Laurie Doner



Earl Eiben



Louise Fisher



Beth Heberlein



Wendy Richardville

Elders



Lynn Betker



Tim Blanch



Debby DeLaby



Jennie Macy

New Year. Who Dis?

**PRESBYTERY OF DETROIT
GATHERING
FOR ALL YOUTH
GRADES 6 – 12**

SUNDAY JAN 19TH

2:00PM-4:00PM

**University Presbyterian Church
1385 S. Adams Rd, Rochester Hills**

**Meet at FPC Northville @ 1:00pm to ride together
stephenflavin@fpcnorthville.org / 248 349 0911**

WEEK OF JANUARY 12, 2025 — JANUARY 19, 2025

Sun. 1/12		First Sunday After Epiphany & Ordination & Installation of Officers
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
	11:15 am	Stay & Play, Children's Wing
	6:00 pm	APEX Youth Group, Youth Room
Mon. 1/13	6:00 pm	Crew 755, CLC
	7:00 pm	Scout Troop 755, CLC
Tue. 1/14	12:00 pm	Rotary, Boll Hall
	7:00 pm	Deacons Meeting, Library
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting, CLC
	8:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting, Boll Hall
Wed. 1/15	8:00 am	Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
	10:00 am	Living & Learning Team Visit
	10:00 am	Walking Group, Off-site
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thurs. 1/16	6:15 pm	Yoga, Children's Wing
	7:00 pm	Men's Discussion Group, Gathering Room
Fri. 1/17	10:00 am	Agape, Boll Hall
Sat. 1/18		
Sun. 1/19		Second Sunday After Epiphany
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
	1:00 pm	APEX Youth Group, Off-site (meet at FPCN)