

March 2, 2025
Transfiguration of the Lord &
Communion Sunday



# 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 also stop by the Welcome Center desk to receive a welcome bag.

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** Prelude on *Brother James Air* Harold Darke

#### **Announcements**

Introit What Wonderous Love is This? #215
Chancel Choir

\*Call to Worship (read responsively)

One: The church lives to praise God.

All: We have no higher calling than to offer worship that belongs to God day by day, Sunday by Sunday.

One: Through the preaching of the Word and the celebration of the sacraments, in praise, prayer, teaching and fellowship,

God sustains the life of the church.

All: We worship God, offering ourselves in the service of

Christ, rejoicing in the Holy Spirit.

One: Let us rejoice this morning.

All: Let us worship God together!

\*Opening Prayer

\*Hymn Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise #12

#### **Call to Confession**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

God of mercy and forgiveness, facing the light of your love, we confess all that keeps us from sharing that goodness. We are distracted by the desire to have more than we need. We focus on our own disappointments rather than trust the future you create. We feel discouraged and fail to claim the hope you hold out to us in Christ. Transfigure us by your grace and shape us into disciples who follow Christ's leading each day.

(Silent Confession)

#### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

<sup>\*</sup> Please rise in body or spirit.

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

#### **Scripture Readings**

#### First Scripture Reading—Psalm 99

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! <sup>2</sup>The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. <sup>3</sup>Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he! <sup>4</sup>Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. <sup>5</sup>Extol the LORD our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he! <sup>6</sup>Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the LORD, and he answered them. <sup>7</sup>He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them. <sup>8</sup>O LORD our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings. <sup>9</sup>Extol the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy.

#### Second Scripture Reading—Luke 9:28-36

<sup>28</sup>Now about eight days after these savings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. <sup>29</sup>And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. 30 Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. <sup>31</sup>They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. <sup>32</sup>Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. <sup>33</sup>Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings. one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah" — not knowing what he said. <sup>34</sup>While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. 35Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" <sup>36</sup>When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

#### Call for the Offering

Offertory Draw Us In the Spirit's Tether Harold Friedell 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

#### The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus (Sung see page 7)

Breaking the Bread

Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died. Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

<sup>\*</sup> Please rise in body or spirit.

#### 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.

Communion of the People

Hymns During Communion

# 192 — Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shining

# 288 — Spirit of the Living God

Prayer After Communion

\*Sending Hymn Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain #193

\*Benediction

\*Sung Response Take, O Take Me as I Am #698

Postlude in E Minor Nicholas Bruhns

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### Sanctus



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#### To The Glory of God...

The flowers in the chancel are given by the Deacons in honor of Pastor Jackie and the Staff at FPC.



#### Worship Leaders and Staff:

#### Program Ministry

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

#### Liturgist

Elaine Atallah

#### 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



**Congregation**: Marilyn Atkinson; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Louise Fisher; Ron and Lois Housman; Donna Kennedy; Lucille Kimpel; Maxine Lapham; Karen Seaman; 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 Blaszcowski (friend of Deb and Tim Gammons); Jeff Brown (friend of Dick Werther); Judy Courtney (friend of Kathy Gricius); Peg Custer (mother of Jerry Custer); Brant Doty (brother of Tim Doty); Dave and Annette Duchamp (parents of Vivienne Ward); Jackie Fisher (mother of Louise Fisher); The family of Bob Frellick; Rita French (mother-in-law of Sarah French); The family of Sally Garman (Tim Doty's sister); Matt Gough (relative of Barbara Gough & Laura Mitchell); Connie Hassaballa (sister of Sandy Robison & Judy Russell); The family of Ginnie Heckler; The Henderson Family (relatives of Tammy Fulton); Sher and Bill Hunt (friends of Deb and Tim Gammons); Lynne & Mark Ivankovics (sister & brother-in-law of Louise Fisher); Robert Kirn (son of Mary Kirn); Jackson Lindquist (grandnephew of Ann Werther); Makayla (granddaughter of Neyssa Gill); Radu Marginean (grandson-in-law of 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); The family of Billie Ratliff; 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); 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.** 

Cards are available for the congregation to sign on the **third Sunday** (or occasionally the second Sunday) of each month.



**New Member Class**—A new member class is being held today after worship in the Gathering Room. If you are interested in learning more about the church and becoming a formal member of the congregation, we'd love to have you! Our new member class is a casual meeting and it usually lasts 45-60 minutes.

Red Cross Blood Drive Friday, March 7—We will be hosting a blood drive in Boll Hall on Friday, March 7 from 12:00-6:00 p.m. Please consider making a donation to help save lives. To schedule an appointment, please click this link <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=fpcnorthville">https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=fpcnorthville</a>, scan the QR code, or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



**StayNPlay, Sunday, March 9 11:15 a.m.** — Join us for an after church play date and lunch, in the Children's Wing. Families with children between age 0 – 5th grade are invited (older siblings are welcome).

**Civic Concern**—Currently, the most needed items are spaghetti sauce, pasta, canned fruit, packaged side dishes, and laundry soap. Thank you so much for your generosity.



<sup>\*</sup>Please contact the church office for assistance in reaching the above contacts.



# sc. pacrick's day dinner a crivia nizhc

How much do you really know?

A fun evening of authentic lrish food & trivia

lrish goody bag prizes for trivia winners

# march | 16 | at 5pm

Tickers are free our limited Donations accepted at the event stephenflavin@fpcnorthville.org



RSVP Requested: Call (248) 349 0911 or use the QR code



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## WEEK OF MARCH 2, 2025 — MARCH 9, 2025

Sun. 3/2	8:45 am 10:00 am 10:15 am 11:15 am 11:15 am 6:00 pm	Transfiguration of the Lord & Communion Sunday Kerygma, Gathering Room Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing Children & Youth Meeting, Youth Room New Member Class, Gathering Room Apex Youth Group, Youth Room
Mon. 3/3	6:00 pm 7:00 pm	Crew 755, CLC Scout Troop 755, CLC
Tue. 3/4	5:30 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm 8:00 pm	HR Committee, via Zoom Pickleball, CLC Education Ministry, via Zoom AA Meeting, CLC Al-Anon Meeting, Boll Hall
Wed. 3/5	8:00 am 8:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm 1:00 pm 5:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:45 pm	Ash Wednesday Curbside Ashes, Welcome Center Entrance Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom Walking Group, Off-site Preschool Children's Worship, Sanctuary Curbside Ashes, Welcome Center Entrance Property Committee, Music Center Curbside Ashes, Welcome Center Entrance Worship Committee, Gathering Room Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thurs. 3/6	11:00 am 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Preschool Children's Worship, Preschool Yoga, CLC Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center Men's Discussion Group, Gathering Room
Fri. 3/7	10:00 am 12:00 pm	Agape, Boll Hall Red Cross Blood Drive, Boll Hall
Sat. 3/8		
Sun. 3/9	8:45 am 10:00 am 10:15 am 11:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	First Sunday of Lent Kerygma, Gathering Room Worship, Sanctuary & Facebook Live Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing Choir Party, Gathering Room StayNPlay, Children's Wing APEX Youth Group, Youth Room