



August 6, 2017
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Prayer of Preparation

Workers in community kitchens, Lima, Peru

God, food of the poor; Christ, our bread, give us a taste of the tender bread from your creation's table; bread newly taken from your heart's oven, food that comforts and nourishes us. A fraternal loaf that makes us human; joined hand in hand, working and sharing. A warm loaf that makes us a family; sacrament of your body, your wounded people.

Welcome

Minute for Mission

Picture Directory
Sneakers Campaign

Randy Edwards
Karen Linnell

We Enter Into God's Presence

**Please stand in body or spirit*

Prelude

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Joseph Rheinberger

*Call to Worship

Surely the Presence of the Lord
Jerry Custer, soloist

(responsively)

Liturgist: Welcome to this house of the Lord.

All: This is a place of hope, healing, and challenge.

Liturgist: Just when we are feeling most discouraged, God bursts into our lives with healing mercy.

All: Lord, listen to our hearts, our cries, our prayers.

Liturgist: Give us peace and hope in our spirits.

*Hymn #614

Great Are You, Lord

Confessing Our Separation from God (unison)

Gracious Lord, we are filled with a mixture of feelings today. Some of us are rejoicing in the wonderful time of rest and relaxation; while others continue to seek relief from the burdens and worries that they bear. All of us stand in need of your refreshing and nourishing love and forgiveness. You know how many times we have turned our backs on those in need; we have been too busy, too preoccupied with our own problems. Cause us to turn around and see instances in which we can be of help and comfort to someone else. Give us strength and courage to truly be your loving disciples in the ways in which we care for others. Forgive us when we stray from the paths of righteousness and peace. These things we offer in Jesus' Name. Amen!

A Time of Silent, Personal Prayer for Peace

*Song of Assurance

More Than Before

Kelly S. Moor

**When I need forgiveness Lord,
when my heart is cold,
when I am feeling overwhelmed,
but no-one seems to know;
You are my source of life,
my shining light, my calm in every storm.
You hold my shaking hand
then I understand that in You
I am more than I was before.**

+++Latecomers may be seated at this time.

We Hear God's Word

Mindfulness Prayer

Not for Children Only

Recognition of VBS Volunteers

Joshua Archey

Prayer concern cards collected in the side aisles at this time

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Turn to your neighbor and pass the Peace of Christ

Anthem

Hineh Mah Tov
Summer Choir

Hebrew Folksong, arr. G. Custer

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 14: 13-21

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Feeding the Five Thousand

¹³ Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴ When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵ When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." ¹⁶ Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." ¹⁷ They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." ¹⁸ And he said, "Bring them here to me." ¹⁹ Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰ And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹ And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Reflection

More Than Enough

Rev. Eddie Jusino

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Song of Invitation 507

Come to the Table of Grace

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer

Liturgist: The Lord be with you.

Community: And also with you.

Liturgist: Lift up your hearts.

Community: We lift them up to the Lord.

Liturgist: It is right to give thanks and praise . . . Great is the mystery of our faith.

Community: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Communion Music

Reverie

Claude Debussy

Charlene Diehl, flute, & Shari Fiore, organ

We Respond To God's Word

*Affirmation of Faith (unison)

Barbara Hedges-Goettl

It is through Christ's reconciling work that we are the church, united to God and to other believers. As the church, we are the salt of the earth. We are the light of the world. We are entrusted with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ. As the church, we are witnesses by both word and deed. We proclaim the new heaven and the new earth, in which righteousness dwells. As the church, we proclaim that God's life-giving Word and Spirit has conquered sin and death. God conquers irreconciliation, hatred and bitterness. As the church, God's life-giving Word and Spirit enable us to live in a new obedience; God opens new possibilities of life for society and the world. We declare ourselves ready to venture out on the road of obedience and reconciliation-- servants of the God who wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people.

Joys and Hopes of the People of God

Offertory &
Signing of the
Friendship Pad

Let Everything That Has Breath
VBS Participants

arr. P. Jusino/M/ Redmond

*Doxology 609

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow, Alleluia

*Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Gracious God, we prayed “your kingdom come and your will be done on earth...” We offer these gifts and our lives as signs of our commitment towards living out this prayer. Strengthen us with the Holy Spirit to move forward in faith and with enthusiasm as followers of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

We Follow God’s Word Into the World

*Song of Sending 408

There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

*Blessing

Postlude

Grand Choeur

Theodore Salome

We hold in our prayers: Doris Carmichael, Rosaline Chungag, John Flint, Anne Fuller, Wendy Gortney, Don Kobman, Sheryl Malibach, Corrine Wedge, and the family of Rich and Cookie Wimmer.

Today’s flowers are given by: Marcia and Bob Van Hamme in honor of Leslie’s birthday on August 8.

Assisting in Worship

	August 6	August 13
Lector	Rev. Craig Aue	Deb Jackson Lum
Ushers	Tom Kujath Bill Vincent Mark Tampakes Jayme Slais	Irwin Moyna Eddie Matteson Mitchell Cressman Pat Morgan
Greeters	Pres & Mary Happel	Rusty Soronen
Welcome Center		Carolee Caylor
Sunday Sextons	Alvine Cooper Matt Hedgecock	Jeff Ely Martha & Dale Countegan
Hospitality Time	Presbyterian Women	Baptism Celebration
Communion servers:	Becky Matteson and Eddie Matteson	

Sacrament of Baptism August 13: Next Sunday Evelyn Karen Segnitz will be baptized. She is the daughter of Kyle and Lauren McCullough Segnitz and granddaughter of Karen McCullough.

Vespers with Communion on Wednesday evenings: Enjoy a mid-week spiritual boost at Vespers weekly through August 30. This 30-minute, informal services starts at 7:00 p.m. and includes a celebration of the Lord's Supper. Join us on Wednesdays in the sanctuary for a time of worship and fellowship.

Fellowship & Music in Heritage Park: Join us on Thursday evenings through August 17 as we gather at 6:15 p.m. in the park for a time of fellowship and food sharing prior to the evening's concert. Thursday's Stars in the Park features Farmington Community Chorus. In case of rain, the event moves the Costick Center.

Sunday Morning Bible Study Resumes: Where do you see God's grace at work in your life? This morning we started the first of seven sessions delve into the book of Ephesians in a class entitled *God's Abiding Gift of Grace*. The group meeting in the church library on Sundays at 9 a.m. Feel free to attend when you can as each session stands on its own. Please contact Josh Archey if childcare is needed.

We're invited to a Community Barbecue: FPCF members and the community have been invited to this fun event on Thursday evening, August 24 at the Muslim Community Mosque, 35700 W. 12 Mile Road. A volleyball match with the Farmington Hills Police starts at 5 p.m., followed by the BBQ at 6:30 p.m.

Vacation Bible School was a Big Hit: More than 20 participants enjoyed a week of Bible time fun at "God & Me @ Sea" Vacation Bible School. Creation, Noah's Ark, Jonah and the Whale, Jesus Walks on Water, and the Disciples Fill their Nets are the stories about which they learned, played and sang. Thanks to all the young people and volunteers who ensure it was a great success!

Time to Bring Fresh Produce on Sunday: We are donating all produce that is collected after Sunday service starting Sunday, August 6 to C.A.R.E.S. [Community. Action. Resources. Empowerment. Services.] of Farmington Hills. *This is the new name for what used to be St. Alexander's Food Cupboard.* Bring what you grow or buy at the Farmers' Market to church on Sunday. A member of the congregation takes it over to C.A.R.E.S. on Tuesday mornings. Your contributions will be very much appreciated by someone in our community who will receive your donation.

Hospitality Time and Worship Flowers: Become part of our welcoming ministry! If you'd like to host a post-worship gathering by providing light treats or offer flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or to the glory of God, there are sign-up sheets posted on the kiosks. An arrangement of flowers costs \$22.50 – please put flowers in on your envelop or on your check's memo. Your talents and participation are needed.

This Week At First Presbyterian

Sunday, August 6

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
11:15 a.m. Hospitality Time
6:00 p.m. Little Flock Bible Study

Monday, August 7

7:00 p.m. CE Ministry Team Meeting
7:00 p.m. Yoga

Tuesday, August 8

8:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Leo's Coney Island
6:30 p.m. Worship Ministry Team Meeting

Wednesday, August 9

7:00 p.m. Vespers with Communion

Thursday, August 10

6:15 p.m. Stars in the Park fellowship & free concert in Heritage Park

Friday, August 11

No events scheduled

Saturday, August 12

No events scheduled

Sunday, August 13 **Sacrament of Baptism**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
11:15 a.m. Hospitality Time/Baptism Celebration
6:00 p.m. Little Flock Bible Study

First Presbyterian Staff

Senior Pastor	Rev. Eddie Jusino
Ministers	Members of the congregation
Christian Education Director	Joshua Archey
Music Director	Dr. Gerald Custer
Organist	Shari Fiore
Administrative Assistant	Karen Spica
Sexton	Vanya Georgieva
Sunday Nursery Attendants	Dawn Johnson & Sandra Lieberman