

*Opening Hymn #316

Where Charity and Love Prevail

**1 Where charity and love prevail,
There God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love,
By love we thus are bound.**

**2 Let us recall that in our midst
Dwells Christ God's holy Son;
As members of each body joined,
In Him we are made one.**

**3 Let strife among us be unknown;
Let all contentions cease.
Be God's the glory that we seek;
Be His our only peace.**

**4 Let us forgive each other's faults
As we our own confess,
That we may love each other well
In Christian gentleness.**

**5 Love can exclude no race or creed
If honored be God's name;
Our common life embraces
All whose Maker is the same.**

Unison Prayer of Confession

Beloved God, who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even to our spiritual forebears, have mercy on us. We do not always love as you would have us love. We do not always do as you would have us do. In our stubbornness, we turn from you when we should turn toward you. Hold us, dear One – comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence. We praise you for the grace you shower on us, constantly forgiving our errors, especially the ones that we don't share with any but you. Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts.

(Adapted from Rev. Lucus Keppel)

Silence is kept

Assurance of Forgiveness

Friends, receive this good news! Jesus taught through his words and deeds that God has already forgiven us. Thus, we and all who have come before us, are rightly known as saints – the holy ones of God! In Christ we are forgiven and made new!

Thanks be to God for God's mercy, grace, and love! Amen!

We Hear God's Word

Gospel Reading

Habakuk 1: 1-4, 2:1- 4

Deb Hemmye

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrongdoing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack, and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous; therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watch post and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the LORD answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faithfulness.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

O Christ, The Healer
Choir

Thomas Tallis

Children's Message

(After message children are invited to go to the Narthex for Children's Lesson)

New Testament Reading

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Pastor Craig Aue

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring.

To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus

may be glorified in you and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Reflection

“Saints in Our Midst”

Pastor Craig Aue

Offertory & Collection of Prayer Cards

Doxology #606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here and below.
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Song of Invitation #701

Sanctuary

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.
Celebrating the Lord's Supper**

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

May the God of all hope be with you.

And also with you.

Lift your hearts to the One who comes to feast with you.

We offer our hearts to God who is in our midst.

Children of God, sing praises to the One who feeds you with goodness and hope.

Our hearts and voices resound with joy. Welcomed into your garden with hope, we forgot your words of hospitality, you sent your Beloved, Jesus the Christ, to be the guest of sinners in every time and place, that we might receive the gift of salvation. So, with reformers and saints who have gone before us, with friends and neighbors sitting around us, we lift our songs of praise to you:

Holy, holy, holy, God of justice and righteousness.

All creation keeps watch for your justice.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who comes to call us home.

Hosanna in the highest.

In your heart, Forgiving God,

You wrote the vision of redemption, and sent Jesus, your Servant of righteousness, to your people. When our sin consumed us, he came to feed us with the bread of life; when our souls were emptied by the corruption of death,

He came to instill abundant faith in us. Defeating sin and death Christ invited us to find life and peace in your heart's home for all eternity.

L: God is in this place.

P: And in our hearts.

L: Open yourself to the nudging God.

P: We feel the breath of the Spirit.

L: Remember God made flesh we now gather at Christ Table

P: We gather to celebrate and remember Christ and those who make up the Body of Christ.

Tender, transforming God, you have invited us to gather at this table,
To taste the feast, the same abundant promises offered to our ancestors in faith.
Time and time again you've offered your grace, Even as we have stepped away,
You continue to call us to be your people. We give thanks for this time of celebration. For the One this meal remembers. For the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. With those who have gone before us, Whose hands touched the bread, Whose lips embraced the cup, We worship you. We glorify you.

Litany of Remembrance

We remember the names of the members and friends of First Presbyterian Church of Farmington who have "Moved from this Life to More Life" during the past 12 months. At this service we will remember them in our prayers, and we give thanks for their lives.

The name of each person who has died since last November will be read. (Following each name, a bell tolls.)

We remember those who have died in the past year.

We celebrate their lives, even as we continue to grieve.

We Remember:

- Margorie Perkins (#170) – November 17, 2024
- Yuvonne Stevens (#197) – January 13, 2025
- Beverly Adams (#703) – February 23, 2025
- Barb Madany (#125) – March 13, 2025
- Julie Biovin (non-member) – April 2025
- Don Prieskorn (#758) – March 31, 2025
- Pres Happel (#682) – May 11, 2025
- Ruth McKinnon (#93) – May 14, 2025
- Georgia Roed (former member) – July 2025

And we remember all those who have gone before us. (bell tolls)

In this moment of silence we remember them.... (silence kept) and in our lives we continue to hold them close in love. We give you thanks for each saint remembered and those present and still to come.

This is the mystery of our faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Words of Institution

Gathered with his friends, Jesus took bread, broke it and said:

“This is my body, broken for you. Take and eat.”

And pouring the wine: This is my blood poured out for you, Take, drink, and remember me.

Sharing of the Gifts of Bread & Cup

This is the feast prepared for you. Come and share for all is ready.

Communion Prayer

God of all, send us out with your Spirit so not only we, but all whom we greet in this week, may know your presence. Having received the bread and fruit of the vine, make us one with the saints, and with our siblings; sisters and brothers in faith around the world. Be with us God, not only here, but in every moment of our lives. Help us to be guided by the Holy Spirit, as we live as the body of Christ, now and forever. Amen.

We Respond to God's Word

Prayer of the People

Deb Hemmye

Lord, we are people who want instant answers to all our questions. We want to know how everything is going to work out throughout all our lives. Help us understand the broader picture -the scope of your faithfulness and love for us. Remind us of all the times when you have lifted us and brought us to new opportunities for learning and growing. Help us to trust you without reservation, for you are indeed faithful and just. As we have brought our prayers before you for our loved ones and for situations in the world in which pain and anger dominate, let us place our trust in your response and your healing love. Give us courage that our faith will bear witness to those who struggle; that our lives will bear the love you have lavished on us. For we ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ, who teaches us to Pray:

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.

We Follow God's Word into the World

*Hymn of Sending # 691

Lord, When I came into This Life

1 Lord, when I came into this life
you called me by my name;
today I come, commit myself,
responding to your claim.

2 Within the circle of the faith,
as member of your cast,
I take my place with all the saints
of future, present, past.

3 In all the tensions of my life,
between my faith and doubt,
let your great Spirit give me hope,
sustain me, lead me out.

4 So help me in my unbelief
and let my life be true:
feet firmly planted on the earth,
my sights set high on you.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

Benediction

Pastor Craig Aue

Postlude

Hymn To Joy

arr. Jason Payne



Consecration Luncheon TODAY

Please join us for our delicious Consecration Luncheon today prepared by the loving hands and assistance of several women at the church. Enjoy!

Today's flowers are presented on All Saints Day in loving memory of loved ones who have moved on to "More Life."



OFFICE NEWS: Amanda May Schreiber, our administrative assistant, will be in the office on Monday mornings 9:30am-12:00pm, Wednesdays 10:00am-4:00pm, and working from home intermittently throughout the week. Please email any bulletin requests, or with any questions or concerns outside of these shortened office hours and staff will contact you back as soon as possible. During this time of transition, you may wish to call or email ahead to make sure staff will be available to assist you if you need to stop by the office.

Stewardship Pledge Forms

If you brought your pledge forms in today, you will have the opportunity, during the last hymn, to come forward and place them at the front of the sanctuary. This is a very sacred time between you and God. We look forward to "Welcoming All, Sharing Christ, Serving Others" as the FPCF family with a renewed sense of purpose and love in 2026! Amen!

GIFT BAGS FOR SECOND MILE CHILDREN

Presbyterian Women is once again organizing an outreach project to provide Christmas gift bags for the children who are participants at the Second Mile Center in Detroit. These are large bags which include several items including a shirt and pants, socks and underwear, hat and gloves, a toy from the child's wish list, and a book. The cost per child is usually about \$100, so sometimes a couple of friends or a small group go together to put together the gift bag. The names of the children and their requests are usually received from Ruth Azar, the director of SMC, around Thanksgiving, and the bags are due the second week of December. So there is a fairly short turnaround time for this project.

If you would like to sponsor a Second Mile child by providing a gift bag or help by donating money in any amount or a \$25 gift card to Target or Amazon to be included in a bag, please contact Sue Carlson.

KIDS' WORSHIP BAGS

The kids' worship bags are available at the welcome desk (on the wooden tree hanger). The activities in the bags are updated each week to reflect the lectionary readings for that Sunday as well as some other fun items. The yellow bags are for kids aged preschool to 8 years old; and the white bags are for kids aged 8+ years. Kids are welcome to take a bag each Sunday to use during worship and/or to take home to enjoy. If your child forgot to pick up a worship bag before service, please let an usher know and they will get one for your child.

Community Donations

Yesterday, Nov 1, the SNAP program ended. Many people and organizations are impacted by this (Houses of Worship, Charities, etc.) and are working on how to help with the increase of requests for assistance. Our Church will be sending donations to selected agencies. Members are invited to contribute money, time, and assistance as this concern is likely continue to grow. Checks can be made out to the church and will be processed and added to our donations. As always, thank you for being a blessing to our local community.

WOMEN'S RECOGNITION SUNDAY

On Sunday, October 26, PW Moderator Mary Carson presented an honorary life membership in Presbyterian Women to Colleen Tavor. Colleen was selected for this special annual award for her faithful work in many areas of our church's ministries. PW hosted a reception in Colleen's honor after worship. Congratulations, Colleen!



CALLING ALL EUCHRE PLAYERS for a fun afternoon!

Formerly known as "Women's Euchre", we're including men and women. We'll meet from **2 to 4 pm** in the Church Library. If you are new to the game, we can teach you. Depending on the number of players, we may play a different game. Mark these dates on your calendar: **Nov. 7, and Dec. 5**. Please see the sign-up sheet on the kiosk in the foyer!

Hospitality Time Schedule

You are invited to bring ONE food item on ONE Sunday each month. Your Sunday depends on the first letter of your last name. It would be greatly appreciated if you are also able to help with set-up or clean-up. Please note healthy options are welcome as well such as fruit, eggs, cheese & crackers, veggies etc. Here's the upcoming schedule:

November 9: Last names beginning E-K

November 16: Last names beginning L-R

November 23: Last names beginning S-Z

November 30: Last names beginning A-D



QR Code for Donations!

If you ever forget to go to the ATM, or simply don't carry cash on you, we've decided to include the church QR code for a more streamlined donation process. To donate, just scan the QR code and follow the prompt just scan the QR code and follow

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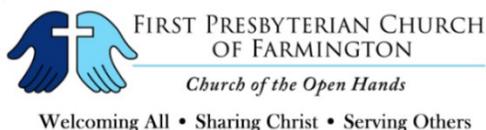
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SUPPORTED BY YOU THROUGH YOUR MISSION MINISTRY 2025

“As you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me” (Matthew 25:40)

LOCAL AGENCIES

CARES	[Community. Action. Resources. Empowerment. Services.]
Freedom House	[Comprehensive approach to those who seek asylum]
Lighthouse	[Emergency and stability services]
Crossroads	[Emergency assistance, advocacy, & counseling]
Second Mile Center	[Safe environment for after-school and summer programs]
Oakland Co Foster Closet	[Support services, supplies, aid to children in foster care]
Neighborhood House	[Supports clients to reclaim well-being after economic upset]
Ruth Ellis Center	[Supports LGBTQ+ youth and young adults in need]
Danika Community Development Inc (DCDI)	[Supports under-served populations]

OTHER LOCAL SUPPORT

Auto Clinic	[Help with simple auto repairs]
Troop 179	[Support camp scholarship]
Crop Walk	[Nationwide movement to raise funds to end hunger and poverty]
Youth United	[Inter-faith summer camp for youth to promote understanding]
Juneteenth	[Support local celebration of Juneteenth, day of freedom for all]

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

World Central Kitchen	[Serves freshly made meals to people affected by disaster]
Marion Medical	[Builds wells in Africa]

PRESBYTERIAN BODIES

- Presbyterian Women (PW) Benevolence
- Governing Bodies
- Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)

OTHER COLLECTIONS/ACTIVITIES/SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- Blessings Bags for the Unhoused
- Resume Writing and Practice Interview Workshop
- Garden and Nutrition Project
- FAIA Luncheon
- Hospitality House Food Pantry
- Cereal for Summer Collection
- Backpacks for Foster Kids
- Rise Against Hunger
- Christmas Gifts for Farmington Public School Kids

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