



## Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 8, 2026

Do.  
*Love.*  
Walk.

### Prayer of Preparation

### We Enter into God's Presence

*\*Please stand in body or spirit*

**Prelude** *Blessed Assurance*

arr. Brent Edstrom

**\*Welcome / Greetings**

MJ Floreno

*Signing of the Friendship Pad & Prayer Cards*

**Call to Worship** (from Psalm 15)

MJ Floreno

One: O Lord, who may abide in your tent?

**All: Who may dwell on your holy hill?**

One: Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,  
and speak the truth from their heart...

**All: ... Those who do these things shall never be moved.**

One: Let us worship God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**\*Opening Hymn # 753** *Make Me A Channel of Your Peace*

**\*Prayer of Confession**

Rev. Mozena

**All: Merciful God, we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

(A time of silent, personal prayer).

**\*Assurance of Forgiveness**

Rev. Mozena

Amen. Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

**Prayer for Illumination**

MJ Floreno

**All: O God, by your Spirit tell us what we need to hear, and show us what we ought to do, to obey Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**We Hear God’s Word**

**Old Testament Reading** Micah 6:1-4, 6-8

MJ Floreno

**Anthem** Give Thanks  
Choral Bells

arr. Peggy Bettcher

**Gospel Lesson** Matthew 5:1-12

Rev. Mozena

**Sermon** “Do. Love. Walk.”

Rev. Mozena

**We Respond to God’s Word**

**Offertory & Collection of Prayer Cards**

Rev. Mozena

**\*Doxology #606**

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

**Prayers of the People, Prayers of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer**

Rev. Mozena  
and MJ Floreno

Receive these prayers, O God — spoken aloud and held in silence — and gather them into your mercy and love, as we join our voices in the prayer Jesus taught us, saying:

**“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 # 314**     *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*

**\*Benediction**

Rev. Mozena

**Postlude**

*How Firm a Foundation*

arr. Jason Payne

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## **The Annual Congregational Meeting of the First Presbyterian Church of Farmington is today, February 8, 2026**

This meeting will be held in Knox Fellowship Hall on Sunday, February 8, at 11:15 a.m. following the worship service. The purpose of this meeting is to review the 2025 annual reports of the boards, ministries, committees and staff of the church, financial reports and the 2026 budget. The 2025 Annual Report was emailed to members who have signed up through the church website to receive the Community Connections/FYI newsletter, the annual report and other important church information via email. To sign up for the newsletter and electronic communications, please go to [www.farmington-pres.org](http://www.farmington-pres.org) . There is a limited supply of printed copies available at the Welcome Center or you may contact the church office to arrange for a copy to be provided to you.

## **Celebrate “SouperBowl Sunday” on February 8**

As a prelude to the annual congregational meeting, please plan to join the Nurture Committee on February 8 after worship today to celebrate our annual “SouperBowl Sunday” fellowship event. We also will be collecting donations to support Neighborhood House’s work in our community.

## **FPCF Stained Glass Window featured in “Epic Stained Glass of Metro Detroit” Presentation**

On Tuesday evening, February 10, local historian and architecture enthusiast Dale A. Carlson presents an examination of stained-glass installations throughout metro Detroit, with a close look at a handful of significant makers and an emphasis on installations found locally – including our beautiful sanctuary stained glass windows. His presentation will be from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Bennett Civic Center Library 32777 Five Mile Road Livonia, MI 48154.

## **New Office Hours**

The new church office hours are Mondays-Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The office remains closed on Fridays.

## **Ushers Needed**

We are looking for ushers to serve once a month, even or odd. If you are interested, please see Deborah Draper.

### **Church-wide Day of Prayer: Wednesday, February 11, 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.**

**What is a Day of Prayer?** Continuous prayer throughout the day offered by members and friends. We would like to cover every half hour of the day with pray-ers offering prayers.

**Why have a Day of Prayer?** A Day of Prayer brings together those of faith in a communal atmosphere. It is uplifting and empowering to pray in the company of others. As Jesus said, “Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am with them” (Matthew 18:20). We have many things to pray for in support of FPCF – our next pastor, church growth, church leadership, thanksgiving for prayers already answered. Come lift your voice to God!

**How will the Day of Prayer Work?** The First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary will be open throughout the day for anyone to come and go and come back as they please. The sanctuary will be candlelit with soft music to encourage a quiet spirit within. You are encouraged to sign up for a half-hour time that fits into your schedule. As in the past, a chime will be sounded on the hour and half-hour so that you do not need to keep track of time. If you cannot make it to the church, you are encouraged to participate where you are.

If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Cressman or Colleen Tavor. Sign up for a half-hour time slot here: <https://tinyurl.com/FEB11Prayer>

### **Join us for a Lenten Study via Zoom.**

This Lent take a meaningful walk with Jesus that invites reflection, inspires spiritual attentiveness, and opens your heart to the many forms following Jesus can take in daily life. Starting on Tuesday, February 17 at 7:15 p.m. via zoom, and continuing throughout Lent, JOY Study will study ***Meeting Jesus on the Road: A Lenten Study*** by Presbyterians Cynthia Campbell and Christine Coy Fohr. If you have any questions and for the Zoom link, see Sharon.

### **Ash Wednesday**

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent, a 40-day period before Easter, and represents repentance, mortality, and renewal symbolized by placing ashes on your forehead in the shape of a cross. The ashes remind us that we are “dust to dust” but also to have hope in Christ’s resurrection. It is a time of self-reflection, fasting, prayer, and turning back to God before Easter.

This year at FPCF, we will do something a bit different than our usual Ash Wednesday service.

The sanctuary will be open to the congregation and the community on February 18 from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., with soft candlelight and contemplative music conducive to prayer and meditation. You may arrive any time between 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and stay as long as you wish during this time. A meditation sheet will be provided with readings and prayers to assist in your worship time.

A container of ashes will be available on the Communion Table for self-imposition of ashes.

Please feel free to invite others for whom this may be a meaningful way to begin Lent.

## **First Pres member Terri Haas named Teacher of the Year**

Terri Haas, a long-time member of First Pres Farmington, was recently recognized as Teacher of the Year for Farmington Public School (FPS) District. The FPS Facebook announcement read: “Terri has served FPS for nearly three decades in a variety of roles, including Adult and Community Education and Social Studies. Colleagues describe her as an educator who goes above and beyond to create an engaging, supportive learning environment. She has embraced the district’s reimagined program model, built cross-curricular connections, and helped expand dual credit opportunities. Terri is also known for strong relationships with students, families, and graduates, plus steady leadership that strengthens school culture.” Congratulations, Terri! Thanks for all you do for our community.

## **Individual Offering Envelopes Will No Longer Be Supplied**

As the demand for individual offering envelopes no longer meets the minimum order requirement, envelopes were not ordered for 2026-saving \$250. Leftover boxes of envelopes from previous years are available; please contact the office if interested. The use of monthly electronic withdrawals (ACH) is also encouraged, which is easy to use.

## **QR Code for Donations!**

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



## **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:

February 8: Last names beginning L-R

February 15: Last names beginning S-Z

February 22: Last names beginning A-D

March 1: Last names beginning E-K

# First Presbyterian Church Staff

## Ministers of the Church

Parish Associate/Temp Acting Head of Staff

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## Members of the Congregation

Rev. Craig S. Aue

Peter Cartwright

Jennifer Taub

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## Connecting Our Community

Sharing together in ministry is a privilege that shapes us as the community of Christ. Unlike the early church in Acts 2, we do not hold all things in common, just a tiny share or our gifts to nurture the work of the Holy Spirit among us. Thank you for sharing in our life together and the work of the Presbytery of Detroit.

### 2026 Per Capita \$41/ Per Member

- **Presbytery of Detroit – \$26.34**
- **Synod of the Covenant – \$ 3.40**
- **General Assembly – \$11.26**

The 2026 Per Capita is based on the congregations' reported membership for **December 31, 2024**. These amounts have increased slightly over time, but well below the rate of inflation, reflecting the increased cost of doing our work and careful stewardship.

*To fulfill the Presbytery of Detroit Per Capita obligations with the PC (U.S.A.) and the Synod of the Covenant, the Presbytery of Detroit funds 100% of the Per Capita owed to General Assembly and the Synod, even the deficit of what congregations do not submit.*