

**First Presbyterian Church
of Ithaca, Michigan**

GIVE
Thanks
with a
GRATEFUL
heart

**Sunday, November 3, 2019
10:30am**

Service for the Lord's Day
All Saint's Sunday

November 3, 2019

10:30am

** indicates that the congregation may stand as they are able.
Bold text indicates where the congregation joins in unison.*

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude & Ringing of the Bell

Gathering Music

*In Our Lives, Lord
Hear Our Praises*

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Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship** (responsive)

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Then the Lord said: It is finished!

Jesus is the Alpha and Omega.

Sing to the Lord a new song;

Let all the faithful praise the Lord.

***Opening Prayer**

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your son, Christ our Lord. Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

***Hymn #364**

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Call to Confession

Jesus said: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ.

Silent Confession

Sung Response

Come and Fill Our Hearts

sing twice

Come and fill our hearts with your peace.

You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!

Assurance of Pardon

Jesus said: Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Morning Offering

Offertory

As We Break the Bread
Chancel Choir

*Doxology

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

*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

God of grace, it is our delight and our devotion to give these gifts to you. All we are and all we have are yours alone. Accept this joyful offering as a token of our abiding love: use it to bring peace, justice and comfort to all the world, Amen.

GOD'S WORD IS SEALED IN US

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayers of the People

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

It is truly right and our greatest joy...

... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your Glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.***

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son,
our Lord....

...that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen:

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

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us...

...Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor are yours, Almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold 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.**

***Sharing the Bread and Cup**

Prayer After Communion (unison)

In gratitude, in deep gratitude for this moment, this meal, these people, we give ourselves to You. Take us out to live as changed people because we have shared the Living Bread and cannot remain the same. Ask much of us, expect much from us, enable much by us, encourage many through us. In Jesus' name. Amen.

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn #526**

For All the Saints

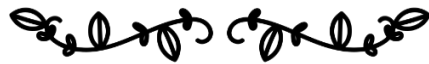
***Benediction**

***Postlude**

Today's Scripture Reading

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus traveled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men with skin diseases approached him. Keeping their distance from him, they raised their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, show us mercy!" When Jesus saw them, he said, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." As they left, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw that he had been healed, returned and praised God with a loud voice. He fell on his face at Jesus' feet and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus replied, "Weren't ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? No one returned to praise God except this foreigner?" Then Jesus said to him, "Get up and go. Your faith has healed you."



Stewardship Thoughts: On Thankfulness

"When asked what brings thankfulness into our lives, the list is long: we have good health, a warm home, good friends and family. We achieve happiness from those around us, especially from a loving, nurturing church family, and a strong leader who provides support, humor, and creativity, and helps us learn." - *Phil & Cheri Booth*

"I am thankful for the church because it gives me an excellent place to work on my flaws in a community of like-minded individuals. We all fall short of the standards we set for ourselves. Only through the love and support of others with similar standards can we move ever closer to the ideal."

- *Sandy Parr*

"To Brad and I the church is of course a huge part of our faith walk. We feel that we can talk to anyone in this church about our faith and they are all willing to share their thoughts, help us sort things out and just enjoy being Christians. This church is our extended family. We are blessed to have such loving, caring people to worship with. We are so thankful that when we were looking for a church we walked through the doors of Ithaca First Presbyterian Church and into a congregation that welcomed us and have made it easy for us to continue our walk in faith with people who inspire and challenge us as well." - *Vickie & Brad Thum*

Prayer List:

Loving God, we lift the following in prayer to You. Hold these people and situations in Your hands, and in them, may Your will be done. Amen.

Concerns:

Buena Vista University, Josh Merchant, and the family of Canyon "Moose" Hopkins; Sally Nester; The Allen Family; Jackie Hartsaw; Phyllis Schmidt and family, on the loss of her son; Karen Moore; Beth Brostrom; Stacy Bosley Mockridge; Hannah Harlow; Sharon Froom; Bonnie Smith; Garret Miniard; Al Bartholomew; The Rev. George Gillette; Brenda Bollman; Rhonda Handley; Geneva Foster; Soulemayne Galadi, serving in the Congo; Those who make decisions that affect others; Those living with mental illness; Our military and veterans; Our police, fire, and other emergency responders; Our country

Thanksgivings:

The safe delivery of Juliette Rose Heinlein on 10/23; Miracles and healing mercies granted; Our church family; The church office volunteers; New jobs and the opportunities that come with them; For birthdays and anniversaries; For those who help others in crisis; For the angels in our church family

Continuing Prayers:

John & Nancy Allen; Penny Arnold; Marian Bouchey; Randy Jenison; Christina Latoski & family; Barb Pharr; Rick & Mary Rimmel; Karen Rozen; Shelly & Jamie Sanders; Randy Smith; Shelley Zamarron & family

If you would like someone added to the prayer list and announced during the Prayers of the People, please contact the church office or speak to Pastor Christina.

Happening this Week:

- Women's Breakfast – Monday, 9:00am – Hearthstone Oven
- Tabitha Circle – Tuesday, 7:00pm – Fireplace Room
- Food Pantry – Wednesday, 9:30am – Food Pantry
- If You Want to Walk – Wednesday, 7:00pm – Fireplace Room
- Craft Day – Saturday, 10:00am – Fireplace Room

Service Volunteers – November 10, 2019:

- Sandy Parr, Liturgist
- Cynthia Smith & Joy Heinlein, Greeters
- Cynthia Smith & Joy Heinlein, Ushers
- Carolyn Gruesbeck & Vickie Thum, Counters
- The Nester Family, Coffee Hour

Last Week By the Numbers – October 27

Attendance: 45

Offering: \$1,909

November Craft Day - November 9, 10am

Join us for our November Craft Day on Saturday, November 9 at 10:00am. All levels of crafting skill are welcome to join us, as we will be tackling stress-free projects. If you have a craft project you are currently working on, bring it along. If not, there will be plenty of work for all of us! Donuts, cider, and coffee will also be provided.

Congregational Meeting - November 17

There will be a brief congregational meeting on Sunday, November 17 following worship. The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers for the class of 2022. A luncheon will follow, hosted by the Caring Team.

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The Ithaca Ministeral Association presents the annual

Community Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 24 at 6:00pm

First Presbyterian Church

218 E. Newark St., Ithaca, Michigan

Join us as we gather as a community to give thanks for our many blessings in an ecumenical worship service.

All are truly welcome!



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Bob Crist, Music Director

Bill & Jackie Bowen, Greeters

Art Faustmann & Sandy Parr, Ushers

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Kathy Vanderbeek & Rick Teal, Counters

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Shelley Zamarron, Custodian



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