

Welcome to Our Guests!

Please join us for coffee fellowship in the lounge after the service. We're glad you're here!

SAVE THE DATES

September 11

- 10:45 Jerry Lamb's Memorial Service

September 12

- 10:00 am Combined Worship Service
- All-Church Picnic at Pottawatomie Park immediately following worship service

Beginning September 19

- 10:00 am Growing in Faith Hour
 - ⇒ How to Read the Bible: The Parables of Jesus
 - ⇒ Sermon-Bible Study Group
 - ⇒ Wired Word
- 6:00-8:00 pm Youth Group Party Kick Off
- 7:00 pm Racial Justice Book Club

September 24

- 10:30 am Mum Sale - \$6 per pot until they are gone

September 26

- 5:15-7:30 pm Youth Group

More information available in FPC's Weekly Updates, Tidings, and Website: www.fpgh.org

All-Church Picnic

Sunday, September 12 following worship service.

Just bring your own place setting and a big appetite to enjoy catering by Hog Wild BBQ!. There will be games & activities for kids and youth plus a fun mixer for adults!

Please rsvp via Realm or to the church office by **Tuesday, September 7th!** Hope you can join us!

The flowers in the chancel are dedicated to the glory and honor of God and in loving memory of Millie "Marie" and Harley Pfeiffer whose birthdays were September 9 & 10, by Robin and Bob Eidson and family



Worship Leaders

Rev. Dr. Troy Hauser Brydon, Senior Pastor
Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce, Associate Pastor
Rob Hlebinsky, Organist
Marc Felt, Gathering Band Director

Participants: Gathering Band, Tommy Langejans saxophone

Greeters:

Clinton Street:	Sue Bradford
Gathering Area:	Ray & Barb Nelson
Portico:	Darell & Phyllis Moreland

11:00 a.m.

Carrie Rivette
Nancy Holmes

Usher Team:

Ruth Suchecki	Keith & Patti Konarska
Barb Boyer	Maya Overway
Jon Hall	Gail Winters
Nancy Hall	
John & Karen Heinritz	
Mary Helen Hoffmeyer	

Our Church Family & Friends

Prayer requests: Alice Akin, Brian Anderson & Joan Tandler, Earle Bares, Larry Braak, Norm Spring, Lisa Stoner and Sandy Teunis

Thank you cookie bakers: Suzi Bankard, Lois Erwin, Dave Gritters, Bev Klecka, Amy Miller and Linda Needham

Your First Pres Staff & Leadership

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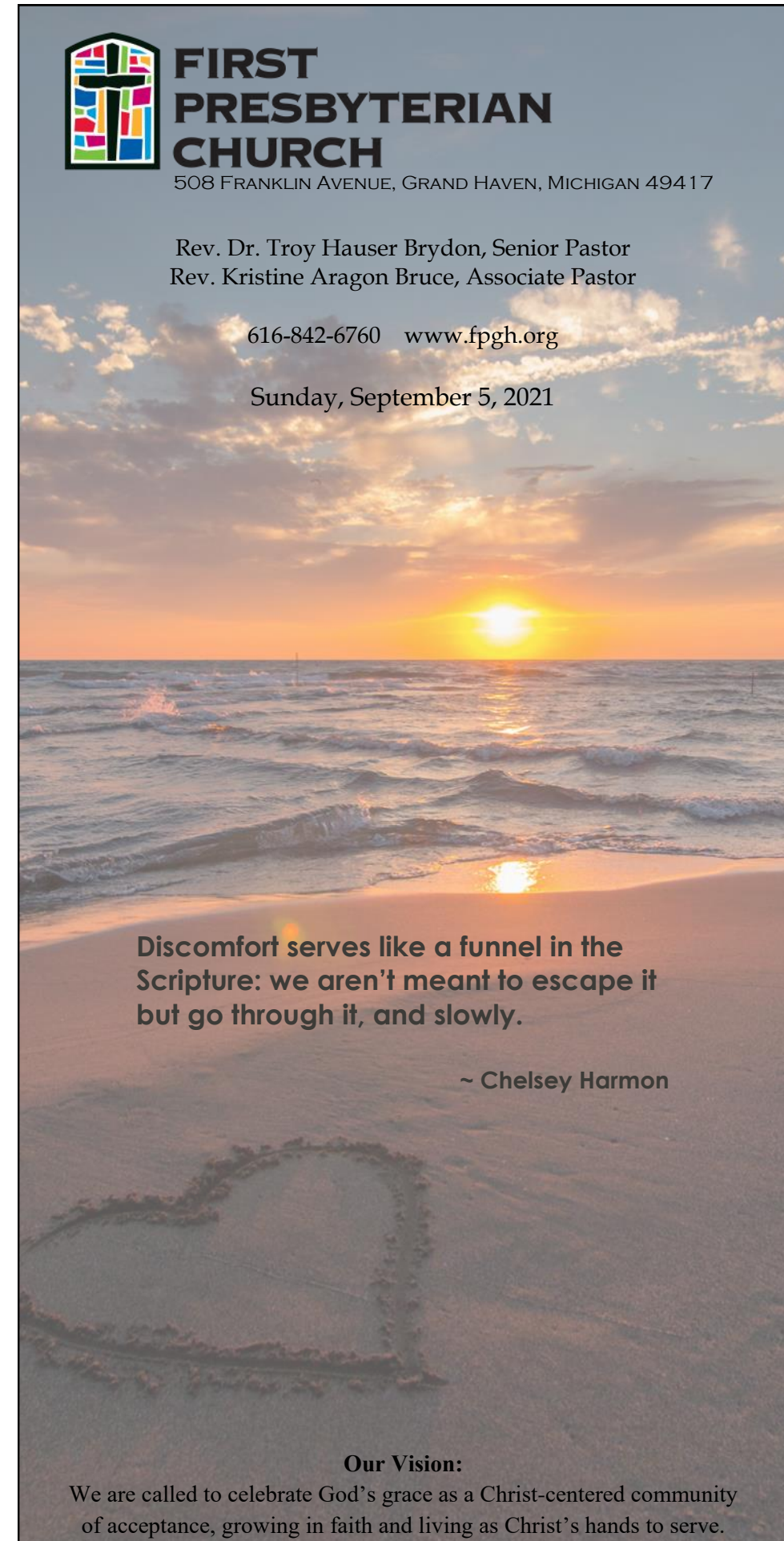
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Sunday, September 5, 2021



Discomfort serves like a funnel in the Scripture: we aren't meant to escape it but go through it, and slowly.

~ Chelsey Harmon

Our Vision:

We are called to celebrate God's grace as a Christ-centered community of acceptance, growing in faith and living as Christ's hands to serve.

September Food Collection—Your donations will go to **The People Center** food pantry.


Requests: applesauce, beef stew, pancake mix, syrup



Next Sunday - September 12 will be a combined service. Join us at 10:00 am for worship with the all church picnic following the service.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

9:00 A.M.

 Please check-in online before you silence all electronic devices

Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church!

If you do not have a church home in the Grand Haven area, we invite you to make our church yours. We are an open congregation and we welcome you.

PREPARING

PRELUDE – *Jesus Paid It All* Arr. Brant Adams

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please feel free to use the Prayer Request Card in your pew and place it in the offering plate. Your requests will be added to the confidential prayer chain.

GATHERING

INTROIT

LIGHTING THE CANDLE TOGETHER Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Around the world, people gather to break bread and pour wine.

All: We gather with them in heart and mind.

One: Around the world, the broken body is made whole.

All: As part of that body we join in its unity.

One: Around the world, the banquet of God is prepared for the table.

All: We share in the banquet and come eagerly to be fed.

One: Let us worship together. Let us share God's bounty.

*OPENING HYMN 31 – *Let Us with a Gladsome Mind*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty Father, we enter your presence confessing the things we try to conceal from you and the things we try to conceal from others. We confess the heartbreak, worry, and sorrow we have caused that make it difficult for others to forgive us, the times we have made it easy for others to do wrong, the harm we have done that makes it hard for us to forgive ourselves. Lord, have mercy, and forgive us through Christ. Hear our prayer of confession. *(Time for silent confession)*

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE – *Kyrie*

Lord, have mercy upon us;

Christ, have mercy upon us;

Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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.

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN



Note to those wearing hearing aids with T-coil option: The main sanctuary seating area is equipped with an induction loop system.

PROCLAIMING

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

First Lesson - Psalm 146

p.507 pew Bible

Second Lesson - Mark 7:24-30

p.819 pew Bible

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *A Good Loss* Rev. Dr. Troy Hauser Brydon

RESPONDING

OFFERTORY – *Return to Gaia* Paul Winters

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you,

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise...

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE MEAL

SENDING PRAYER

SENDING

*CONCLUDING HYMN 495 – *Thee We Adore, O Hidden Savior, Thee*

*CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

One: As we faithfully live our lives in this coming week, what does God call us to do?

All: We are called to celebrate God's grace as a Christ-centered community of acceptance, growing in faith and living as Christ's hands to serve.

*BENEDICTION and CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Let There Be Peace


POSTLUDE – *Christians, We Have Met to Worship* Arr Brant Adams

WORSHIP CONCLUDES—SERVICE BEGINS!

*for those who are able, please stand

The Gathering

11:00 Worship Service @ 1st Pres

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GATHERING TO MEET GOD

Opening Song - *Hope*

Welcome & Announcements

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Lighting the Candle Kristine Aragon Bruce

Worship in Song - *Reckless Love*

Confession and Grace

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

Word for the Children

Scripture Lesson

First Lesson - Psalm 146

p. 507 pew Bible

Second Lesson—Mark 7:24-30

p. 819 pew Bible

The Good News *A Good Loss* Troy Hauser Brydon

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Offering - *Simplicity*

Prayer of Thanks

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving with the Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Sharing the Meal

Sending Prayer

CARRYING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

Closing Song - *All The Poor And Powerless*

God's Vision & Blessing for Us

Sending Song - *Give Use Clean Hands*

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