

First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn



Sunday, November 26, 2023
10:00 a.m.

** Please stand in body or spirit*

Prelude

Prelude in Eb

Johann Sebastian Bach

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

***Opening Hymn # 363** *Rejoice, the Lord is King!*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession: Come, thou Almighty King, remind us that you decreed that the last shall be first, and you have made a little child the measure of your kingdom. Give us wisdom which is from above, so that we may understand that, in your sight, the one who serves is the greatest of all. Hear now our prayers of confession, as we admit and atone for our sins, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

(A time of silent, personal prayer.)

Assurance of Pardon

***Response # 2**

Come, Thou Almighty King

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Children's Message

Scripture Reading

John 6:5-23

Sermon

Surprising Expectations

***Hymn # 264**

At the Name of Jesus

Affirmation of Faith: Philippians 2.5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

***Response #**

Call to Offering

Offertory	<i>The Heavens Are Telling the Glory of God (Creation)</i>	F J Haydn
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***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

***Closing Hymn # 384** *Soon and Very Soon*

***Charge and Blessing**

Postlude	<i>Fugue in E^b</i>	J S Bach
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Participating in this morning's service are Rev. Craig Aue;
Liturgist Marie Shearer; Children's Ministry Director Emily Kaltz;
The Sanctuary Choir and Director of Music Brenda Ferguson



Announcements

Presbyterian Women: Our next meeting for the Presbyterian Women will be on Saturday, December 9 at 10:00 a.m. Please make cookies for the cookie walk! Bring cookies to church by 10:00 a.m. that Saturday. We will be packaging the cookies for the cookie walk on Sunday, December 10.

Attention FPCD youth and children! Come do your Christmas shopping with us in the Treasure Chest during Children's Church time on Sunday, December 10. Wrapping assistance will be provided. We'll see you there!--Christian Ed Committee

We Need Your Photos They say a picture says a thousand words. The PNC would like to share with prospective pastor candidates photos that depict the life of the church here at First Pres Dearborn. Please send your digital photos of the many aspects of our church life: youth group, children's ministry, choir, musical performances, bell choir, outreach and mission, mission partners, Christnet, Second Mile, Kate and Billy's ministry, food bank with Cherry Hill, Men's Fellowship, Presbyterian Women, SOAR, Treasure Chest, grief ministry, mat making, Book of Every Other Month Club, Sunday school, worship services, tech team and worship service streaming, property and landscaping projects, communion and meals for the homebound....

God is blessing First Pres Dearborn in so many ways as reflected through the many great activities and ministries our congregation is involved in. We would like to share those with our future pastor. Please send your digital photos with a brief description of the event, group or ministry to Jennifer Taub at Jennifert@firstpresdearborn.org. Please direct questions to Cathy Stormzand 313-598-4245 or cathystormzand@gmail.com.

Calendar

Sunday, November 26

9:20 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

Monday, November 27

6:00 p.m. Mat Making for the Homeless

Wednesday, November 29

10:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m. Treasure Chest

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 30

10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women's
Bible Study

10:00 a.m. Men's Hope and Love Class

4:30 p.m. Youth Music

Sunday, December 3

9:00 a.m. Adult Education

9:20 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

9:45 a.m. Nursery

10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

5:00 p.m. Noel Night

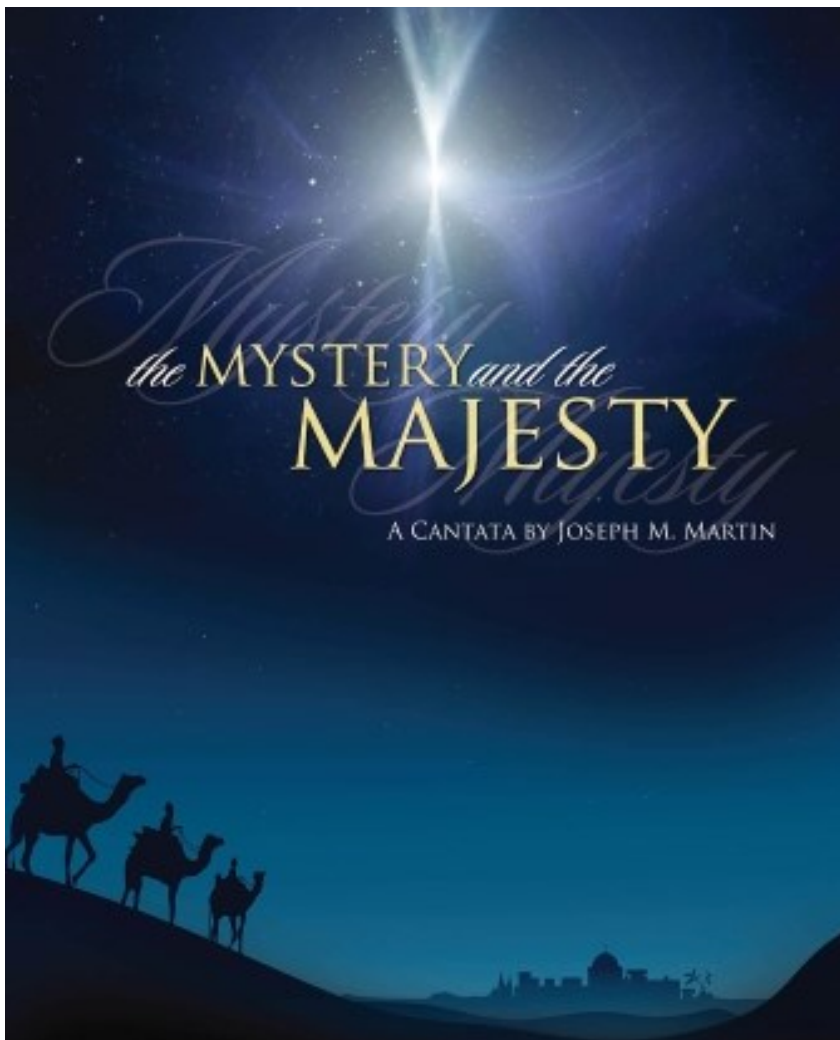
Noel Night

Annual Christmas Dinner at the First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn
Sunday, December 3, 2023 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Bells of Heaven
"Belle" Marie Shearer

Carols led by Sanctuary Choir
Susan Anzicek "Christmas Hats" Program

Tickets on sale in the Narthex after the worship service
\$20 for Adults \$10 for Children



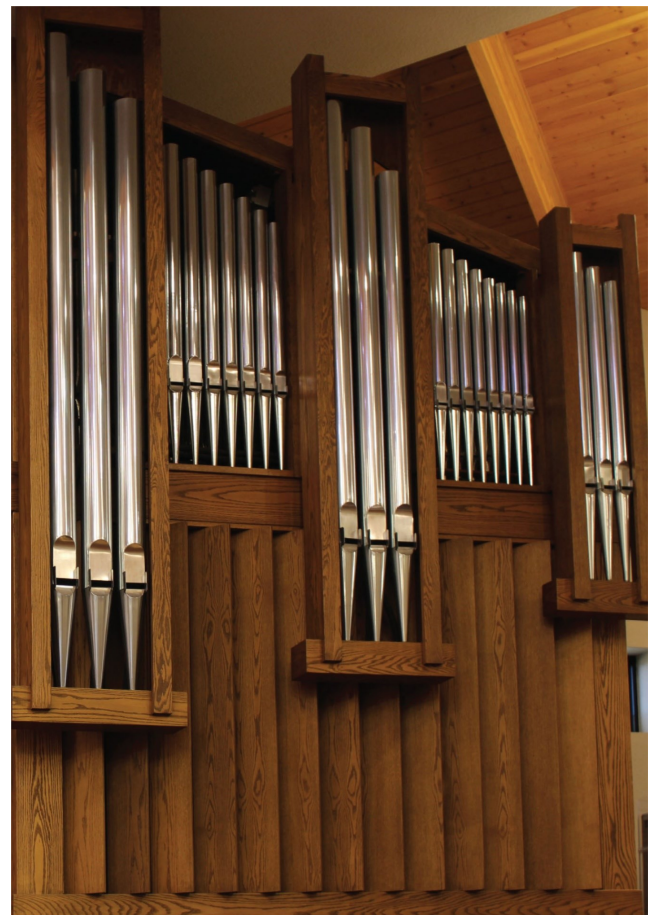
The Mystery and the Majesty
 Christmas Cantata by Joseph
 Martin will be given by our
 Sanctuary Choir and Youth
 Music during Sunday Worship
 on December 10. This is a
 thrilling experience with the
 choirs in costume and
 speaking parts. Please join us
 for a meaningful Advent
 musical gift -
 to GOD and you!

Wednesday, December 13 @ Noon Advent Organ Meditation

**Angels are all over the place during Advent, and we
 are going to celebrate them with our glorious Aeolian
 -Skinner pipe organ.**

**Our beautiful Alden Dow sanctuary will be decked out
 in greenery and a spectacular Christmon 🌲 tree,
 with candles and "Six Sparkling Christmas Carols"
 arranged by Diane Bish.**

Please join our pipe organ sounds from the spires!





Music Medley Concert Series: Melodia

Presented by Friends of the Dearborn Symphony
Sunday, December 17, 2023 @ 3:00 p.m.



These young people have a lifetime history of singing together at First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn.

For reservations,
call Jane Mykytenko
313-657-2776
janeell@me.com
or [https://](https://www.dearbornsymphony-friends.org)
www.dearbornsymphony-friends.org

Angels Aware

Youth Musical on Thursday,
December 21 at 5:00 p.m.

Directed and produced by Brenda Ferguson, Organist/Director of Music (and Music Teacher in New York, Pennsylvania, Chicago, and Cincinnati, Ohio, and Virginia), this musical is a glance into Heaven on the night our Savior was born. The angels are not convinced! "Why come as a "b a b y" when He is the King of Heaven?" Including "The Ten Commandments" - a musical masterpiece! this musical is full of energy, excitement and fun.

All youth are welcome and invited. Rehearsals are in the Sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church, Time and date to be determined, to include YOU! Please contact Brenda Ferguson: phone 845- 642-2669, email gthomferguson@gmail.com





The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn
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Come Home to God's Love

Elders

Class of 2024

Karen Fink
Sue Smith
Kevin Watts
Janet Witkowski

Class of 2025

Jim Barber
Jo Ann Cashwell
Bill Leslie
Bob Missler

Class of 2026

Jeremy Hughes
Jane Mykytenko
Nancy Slanec
Laura Thormann

Clerk of Session

Jim Barber

Church Staff

Rev. Jim Faile, *Interim Pastor*
Rev. Donald A. Wright, *Pastor Emeritus*
Brenda Ferguson, *Music Director/Organist*
Emily Kaltz, *Children's Ministries Director*
Chris Mayer, *Parish Nurse*
Wendy Palmer, *Custodial Staff*
Amanda Rains, *Business Administrator*
Jennifer Taub, *Office Administrator*

Deacons

Class of 2024

Nancy Barber
Lynn Campbell
Matt Higgins
Carol McFadden

Class of 2025

Charlie Aronson
Bud Cashwell
David Smith
Jan Smith

Class of 2026

Fran Buckley
Dorinda Hughes
Rebecca Scott
Olimpia Todor