

First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn



The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 10, 2025

10:00 a.m.

**Please stand in body or spirit*

Prelude

Sonata in G Major, K 427

Domenico Scarlatti

Welcome and Announcements

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn #394**

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

God of mercy, You call us to live by faith, but we often trust only what we can see and control. You call us to courage, but we avoid risk and seek what feels safe. You invite us to choose what is eternal, but we chase after what is temporary. Forgive us, Lord. Like Moses, help us turn from the fleeting rewards of this world and follow You with trust and boldness. Strengthen our faith to walk in hope, even when the path is not clear. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

(A time of silent, personal prayer.)

***Assurance of Pardon**

(based on Romans 8:1-4, The Message)

Leader: There is now no condemnation for those of us who belong to Jesus Christ!

We no longer have to live under the threat of God's judgment.

For through Jesus, we have been freed from the tyranny of sin and death.

For Jesus did what the law could never do.

He personally took on the human condition, entering into the disordered mess of struggling humanity in order to set it right once and for all. Through him we have been set free!

People: Thanks be to God!

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: God's forgiveness gives us joy. Let us share the joy with one another. Friends, the peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

(Please greet your neighbors in the ways you are comfortable.)

***Response #587**

Alleluia

Prayer For Illumination

First Scripture Reading

Isaiah 1:10-20

~ Children's Message ~

Second Scripture Reading Luke 12:32-40

Sermon *Be Prepared!*

***Hymn #377** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

***Affirmation of Faith** **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Gloria Patri #581** *Glory Be to the Father*

Call to Offering

Offering *The Prayer* C. Sager & D. Foster
Jane Mykytenko and Carole Higgins, soloists

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

***Sending Hymn #634** *To God Be the Glory*

***Benediction**

Postlude *Psalm 19* Benedetto Marcello

Participating in this morning's service are Gordon Seiler, Liturgist, Sue Ingram, Children's Ministry Director, Emily Kaltz, Organist and Music Director, David Stultz

Calendar

Sunday, August 10

9:45 a.m. Nursery
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
11:30 a.m. Family Lunch with
Dearborn Big Band

Monday, August 11

11:00 a.m. Garden Club

Tuesday, August 12

1:00 p.m. **NO** Card Ministry
6:30 p.m. Outreach &
Mission Mtg.

Wednesday, August 13

10:00 a.m.–4 :00 p.m.
Treasure Chest
6:30 p.m. NAMI

Thursday, August 14

7:00 p.m. Starting Again

Sunday, August 17

9:45 a.m. Nursery
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship

Book of the Every Other Month Club

Summer Reading: Book of the Every Other Month Club has chosen *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon as the topic for its September 13th meeting. Set in Maine in 1789, this historical novel is based on a real-life character, Martha Ballard, a renowned 18th midwife. In Lawhon's story, Ballard finds herself investigating a murder and standing up for justice at a time when women's abilities to take on such roles were severely restricted. A GMA Book Club pick and NPR Book of the Year, *The Frozen River* promises to be a great summer read. The Book of the Every Other Month Club meets on the second Saturday of September, November, January, March and May at 10:00 AM in the North Parlor. For more information, contact Janet Witkowski at janwit1978@gmail.com. Join us!

MUSIC MINISTRY AT FPCD

Join the Choir! All Skill Levels Welcome!

Choir Rehearsals: Wednesdays, 7:00 – 8:45 pm

Location: Sanctuary Balcony

Paid professional section leaders for SATB are also open! Come share your gifts of strong sight reading, supportive choral sound, and soloing on occasion!

- Services: \$100
- Rehearsals: \$50

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! – Psalm 95:1



Questions? Contact David Stultz, Director of Music and Organist

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I would like to thank my church family for the prayers, cards and calls after my shoulder surgery and now with my recent heart issues. I appreciate your good wishes. –Jim Barber

Church Staff

Rev. Tom James, *Senior Pastor*
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Emily Kaltz, *Children's Ministries Director*
David Stultz, *Organist and Music Director*
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Come Home to God's Love

Church Office hours: Mon-Thurs 9 :00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.