

# First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn



**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Sunday, June 21, 2026**

**10:00 a.m.**

## WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

### Prelude

*\*Please stand in body or spirit*

### Welcome and Announcements

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Our God is an awesome God who breathed into emptiness and created all that is.

**People: With love and care, God shaped the world in all its diversity with mountains and valleys, rivers and deserts, and people of all colors and sizes.**

Leader: And threading through it all are beautiful dreams of justice, compassion, liberation, and peace.

**People: O God, creator of our past, our present, and our future, we thank you for the many blessings you bestow on us each moment.**

Leader: Be with us now. Draw near to us as we draw near to you.

**People: Lead us in paths of righteousness. Fill our hearts with compassion and a thirst for justice. Teach us to be co-creators, with You, of a world where all belong and share in the abundance you have given us. Praise be to God!**

#### \*Hymn #370

*This Is My Father's World*

#### \*Call To Confession

#### \*Prayer of Confession

**Creator God, help us to be your people, working for a world where all people are valued. A world where those who clean houses are also able to buy houses to live in. A world where those who grow food can also afford to eat their fill. And one where those who serve and care for others — in stores, schools, hotels, restaurants, nursing homes, and many other places — are, themselves, also served and cared for. It will be a world where everyone everywhere shares in the abundance that you have given us. It will be a world that answers your desire. May it be. Amen.**

(A time of silent, personal prayer.)

#### \*Assurance of Grace

#### \*Passing of the Peace

Leader: God's forgiveness gives us joy, and our joy increases when it is shared. Friends, the peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

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

#### \*Response #587

*Alleluia!*

## WE HEAR THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading Luke 6:36-38

~ Graduate and Teacher Recognition ~

Second Scripture Reading Ruth 3:1-4:22

Sermon *A Drunken Redeemer*

## WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

\*Affirmation of Faith *(from A Brief Statement of Faith, 1987)*

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

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

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Call to Offering

Offertory Music

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

## WE FOLLOW THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*Sending Hymn #716 *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending*

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Participating in this morning's service are Rev. Tom James; liturgist, Charlie Aronson; Organist, Ye Mee Kim

# Calendar

**Sunday, June 21**

**Happy Father's Day**

- 9:45 a.m. Nursery
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday Fellowship— N. P.
- 6:30 p.m. Lectio Group N.P.  
& on Zoom

**Wednesday, June 24**

- 10:00– 4:00 Treasure Chest
- 12:00 p.m. Bulletin & Media  
Deadline

**Sunday, June 28**

- 9:45 a.m. Nursery
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Retirement Luncheon  
for Chris Mayer



## Sunday Fellowship

Please join us for fellowship, and coffee, in  
The north parlor  
following Sunday morning worship.  
Hope to see you there!

## LECTIO GROUP— TONIGHT

JOIN OUR NEW MONTHLY "LECTIO GROUP!" This is an opportunity to learn a prayerful approach to Scripture reading that grows out of our Lenten class on Lectio Divina ("sacred reading"). No prior experience is necessary. We will meet in person in the North Parlor on the third Sunday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Or, if you would prefer, you may also participate on Zoom. A link was shared to our email list. You can also request it from Tami in the church office.

### Church Staff

Rev. Tom James, *Pastor*  
Dr. David Stultz, DMA, *Organist and Music Director*  
Tamera Metiva, *Office Administrator*  
Chris Mayer, *Parish Nurse*  
Navi Shah, *Bookkeeper - (Office hours M-W-TH 9-1)*  
Kristin Parden, *Custodian*



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*Come Home to God's Love*

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