



*Worshipping, serving, and living with a fresh vision of
God's vibrant energy and grace for all.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 27, 2024 // 10am

CENTERING WORDS

I pray that the eyes of your heart will have enough light to see what is the hope of God's call, what is the richness of God's glorious inheritance among believers. Ephesians 1:18

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

Jesu, Jesu, Thou Art Mine

J.S. Bach

RINGING THE BELL & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

GREETING

One: The God of life be with you.

All: **And also with you!**

GATHERING SONG #452 *Open the Eyes of My Heart (Refrain)*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lauren Stouffer

One: Here is the place where we can bring our pain and hopes.

All: **For our God carries them with us.**

One: Here is the place where we can listen for our calling.

All: **For Jesus invites us to serve with him in the world.**

One: Here is the place where we are surrounded by grace.

All: **For the Spirit hears our hearts and heals them.**

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN #22 *God of the Sparrow*

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

Rev. Paul Van Kempen

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: When we want to be a church open to your transforming love,
yet cling to comfortable ways:

All: Jesus, have mercy on us!

One: When we want to honor your “still speaking voice,” but are fearful of
insights which challenge old assumptions:

All: Jesus, have mercy on us!

One: When we want to live into Jesus’ dream of oneness, but fail to listen to
voices of difference:

All: Jesus, have mercy on us!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

HEARING GOD’S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN *You Are Welcome Here*

All: You are welcome here.

In this holy space, you are welcome here.

You are cherished here.

In this loving space, you are cherished here.

**No matter who you are, no matter where you’re from,
Jesus loves us all, each and every one!**

You are welcome here.

You are cherished here.

You are welcome here.

4TH GRADE BIBLES

Eli Kregger, Marian Reynolds, Jesse Rund-Scott

SONG FOR ILLUMINATION #452 *Open the Eyes of My Heart* (refrain)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10: 46 - 52

One: The Word of God for the people of God;

All: **thanks be to God.**

SERMON

In the Way of Mercy

Rev. Cathy C. Hoop

*HYMN #450 *Be Thou My Vision*

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

LIFE AT FIRST

Please take this time to sign the red Friendship Pad found on the pew near you. If you have a prayer request that you would like shared in worship, please fill out a prayer card and place it in the offering.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision (Irish Melody) arr. Lani Smith

*DOXOLOGY #606

All: **Praise God whose image we all bear.
Praise Christ whose mercy we all share.
Praise Spirit making justice grow.
One God from whom all blessings flow. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

All: **Transform our lives, God,
and let these gifts change the world into which we send them.
Take them and multiply them to be a blessing of justice and peace
in the world you love! Amen.**

A LITURGY FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS

EXPLANATION

SCRIPTURE

James 5:13-15

INTERCESSION FOR HEALING AND WHOLENESS

One: God the Creator, you know our minds and broken hearts. You provide for us in every way. Grant us peace.

All: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

One: God the Son, we come to you with bodies hurt and ill. We've seen your healing and experienced your love. We ask you to soothe us now.

All: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

One: God the Holy Spirit, caretaker of our souls, make our beings whole and inspire in us our fullest potential.

All: Have mercy on us and hear our prayer.

PRAYERS OF PETITION FOR OUR NEIGHBORS AND OUR WORLD

BLESSING OF THE OIL

**All: Come, Spirit of the Living One,
Bless this oil of anointing,
Make it an oil of gladness and of healing
And a lotion of strength and tenderness.**

INVITATION

LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL

*HYMN #796 *We Come to You for Healing Lord*

CARRYING GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING SONG #544 *Bless the Lord*

Worship Leaders: Rev. Cathy Hoop, Rev. Paul Van Kempen, Lauren Stouffer,
Beth Magennis, Rose Gifford, Janet Morrow, Karen Howells.

Thanks to: Sound and Video Tim Richardson, Greeter and Ushers, Bus Drivers,
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bus Drivers Needed // We are in dire need of bus drivers as we have recently had 2 'retirements' of long term drivers. If you are interested in learning more about being a driver or assistant, please contact Chris Urbaniak at 616-836-9293. Your involvement would be greatly appreciated by other drivers and our senior riders. Thanks!

Trunk or Treat // Happening today at Noon. Stay and enjoy a cup of soup and hand out treats to the kids! All are welcome!

Adult Education Class // Using Walter Brueggemann's book, *Materialism as Resistance*, we will explore the difference between materiality and materialism. Bruggemann lays out how we as Christians may reengage our materiality for the common good. The topics include: money, food, the body, time and place. Join us Sunday at 11:15am in the Michigan Room. The class continues through Nov. 10. Cathy Hoop, facilitator.

Watch for your Giving Statement! // Third quarter giving statements have been sent out. Please look over your statement carefully and let the bookkeeper, Marlene, know if you have any questions. The best way to contact the bookkeeper is by email, marlene@fpcholland.org. Thank you for your support of the ministries of FPC.

Fifth Annual Joy Huttar Memorial Recital // Enjoy the music of concert organist Reneé Anne Louprette on Sunday, **November 3** at 3pm at Grace Episcopal Church in Holland. This is a free concert .

Election Day Prayers // On **November 5**, you are invited to stop by the sanctuary or the labyrinth and spend a few moments in prayer. Let us pray for the wellbeing of all people in our nation. Let us pray for healing from the harsh divide that has emerged in our country. Let us pray for those whom we will elect as our leaders. Let us pray for trust, for peace, for hope. The church will be open to all: 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Yoga at First Pres! // Are you interested in learning or practicing yoga? Gwen Boeve will be offering instruction one Tuesday per month, to anyone of any level or experience. There was a good turnout for the first class. Next class will be at 9:30 in the fellowship hall. Please email Gwen at ghekman@gmail.com if you are interested or have any questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zadran Home Dedication Gifts // We will be participating in providing dedication gifts for the Zadran family in coordination with the First Reformed Church of Zeeland. We will fill a laundry basket with gift cards, brand new cleaning supplies and home items, think Clorox wipes, Swiffer dusters and any items that are helpful to setting up a new home. There are two labeled collection baskets in the Outreach Kiosk. The date of the dedication ceremony has not been set, but we will share it when it is. Thank you!

Message from the Outreach Council // Outreach Council is changing up our usual Fall clothing drive to better meet the needs of our Outreach Partners. Children's Advocacy Center has been the main recipient of our coat drive and they reported that they have an adequate supply of coats, but their cleaning supplies shelves are nearly empty. So, let's make it a "Fall Cleaning Drive". As you shop for your cleaning needs, add a few extra items to your cart for our neighbors experiencing hard times. **Here's their list:** Laundry detergent, dryer sheets, cleaning spray, dish & hand soap, toilet paper & paper towels, personal hygiene items, shampoo & conditioner, body wash, deodorant, hair products, brooms & mops, kitchen & bathroom towels. We will have an area in the Outreach Kiosk prepared for your donations.

Deacons will Provide Transportation and Handyman Services // One of several services offered to church members by the Deacons include rides to those who need them. We have a team of volunteer drivers who will pick you up, take you to appointments, wait for you until you've finished your business, then take you back home. A second service is available from a team of volunteer handymen from our church who will come to your location and perform help with most household repairs. Both services are free of charge. Please contact Deacon Tom Glover if you need transportation or a handyman, or simply more information Tom can be reached by phone at 616-994-6075 or e-mail at glovertn@gmail.com

Senior 'Tailgate' Luncheon // The deacons invite our seniors to a fall "tailgate" party (in the fellowship hall) at Noon on Saturday, **November 16**. Wear your team colors and we'll try not to cause a schism! We'll have chili and other game day treats. Sign up at the sign up table or by emailing deacons@fpc.org by November 10.

Save the Date // There are many youth from FPC performing in this year's production of the Nutcracker at Avalon School of the Arts. Performances are Friday, December 6 @ 6pm and Saturday, December 7 @ 11am & 3pm and Zeeland Cityside Middle School (320 E. Main Ave). Tickets will be available for purchase in November.

Take A Book. Read a Book. Share a Book. // The bookcases are now ready for Take a Book, Read a Book, and Share a Book in the Michigan Room. We invite you to borrow or share books from our collection. We have a good selection to start with and want to include more mystery, history, and fiction books. We welcome your donations. Beloved children's books and Young Adult Books are always welcome. Please stop by the Michigan Room and check out our selection.

452 Open the Eyes of My Heart



O-pen the eyes of my heart, Lord. O-pen the eyes of my heart;



I want to see you; I want to see you;



to see you high and lift - ed up,



shin-ing in the light of your glo - ry. Pour out your



pow-er and love as we sing "Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly."



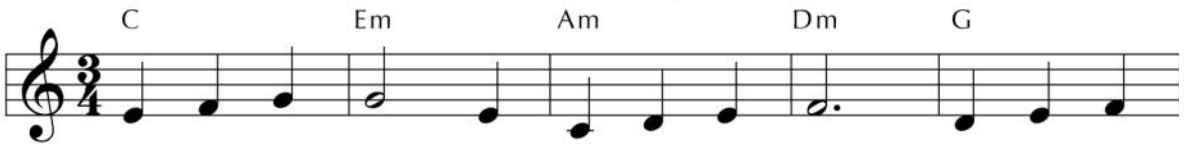
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, I want to see you.

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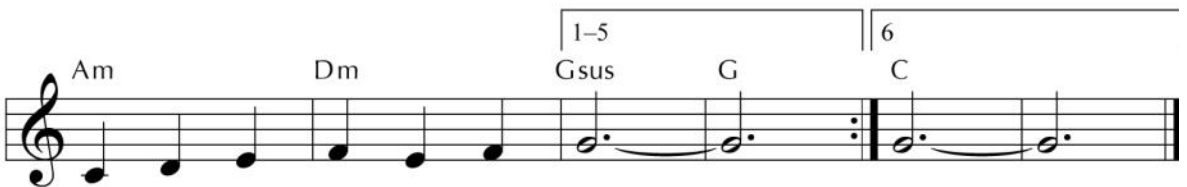
God of the Sparrow



1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the



swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy



How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say Home

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Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D)

(G)

(D/F#)

(A7)

(D)

E^bA^bE^b/GB^b7E^b

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A)

(D)

(G)

(A)

B^bE^bA^bB^b

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G)

(D)

(F#m7)

(G)

(A)

A^bE^b

Gm7

A^bB^b

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm)

(D/F#)

(G)

(D)

Cm

E^b/GA^bE^b

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

We Come to You for Healing, Lord 796

1 We come to you for heal - ing, Lord, of
 2 As once you walked through an - cient streets and
 3 You touch us through phy - si - cians' skills, through
 4 Through nights of pain and wake - ful - ness, through
 5 We come to you, O lov - ing Lord, in

bod - y, mind, and soul, and pray that by your
 reached toward those in pain, we know you come a -
 nurs - es' gifts of care, and through the love of
 days when strength runs low, grant us your gift of
 our dis - tress and pain, in trust that through our

Spir - it's touch we may a - gain be whole.
 mong us still with power to heal a - gain.
 faith - ful friends who lift our lives in prayer.
 pa - tience, Lord, your calm - ing peace to know.
 nights and days your grace will heal, sus - tain.

SENDING

544

Bless the Lord

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.

The first system of music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The treble clef part features a melody of quarter and eighth notes, while the bass clef part provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. It concludes with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the treble staff.

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Class of 2025: Gail Hering, Beth Magennis, Jon Mc Fadyen, Danielle Peterson, Ben Rund-Scott

Class of 2026: Carleen Bauer, Bill Evenson, Cassie Kregger, Bruce Rosensteel.

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Children's Programming During Worship:

Children of all ages are encouraged and welcome to be with us during worship. If you prefer an alternative:

- Nursery: Newborn - 3 years of age. Available for the whole service.
- Celebration Time - 4 years of age through 1st grade. Available after Children's Time.

Education Offerings After Worship:

Education hour is from 11:15a -12:00p. *All are welcome to participate!*

- Adult Class - Michigan Room
- Youth - Youth Room
- Worship Center - PreK - 5th grade
- Nursery - Newborn through 3 years

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