



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

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
November 17, 2024 // 10am

**PRELUDE**

*Kinderszenen No. 1*

Robert Schumann

**RINGING THE BELL & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE**

One: The God of life be with you!

All: **And also with you!**

**GATHERING SONG**

#399

*God Welcomes All*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Based on Psalm 16

One: Come, praise God,  
in whom we find our refuge and safety.

All: **You are our God;  
apart from you, we have nothing good.**

One: Come, honor God,  
our portion and our cup, who controls our destiny.

All: **You are our God;  
our lives are in your hands.**

One: Come, glorify God,  
Our advisor and protector in the depths of night.

All: **You are our God;  
we will not be shaken.**

One: Let's worship God together!

**\*OPENING HYMN**

#301

*Let Us Build a House* (vs. 1,2,4,5)

**INVITATION TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

All: Redeemer and Liberator, we call upon your power to make all things new.  
We confess that we have compromised your good news and settled for a comfortable gospel rather than embrace the radical love, hospitality,

*\*Please stand if you are comfortable doing so.* \_\_\_\_\_

and inclusion of your kin-dom. We have been satisfied with a faith that conforms to the world rather than one that challenges the systems and ways of the world. Forgive us for our focus on our own survival and pleasure while your creation perishes all around us. For your mercy and in repentance, we pray. Amen.

## KYRIE

Cantor:	<b>Congregation (echo):</b>	Translation:
Kyrie eleison.	<b>Kyrie eleison.</b>	Lord, have mercy.
Christe eleison.	<b>Christe eleison.</b>	Christ, have mercy.
Kyrie eleison.	<b>Kyrie eleison.</b>	Lord, have mercy

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\*GLORIA** #582 *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

## \*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.**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**SONG** #414

*Be Still and Know That I am God*

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mark 13:1-8

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

All: **thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

*Like an Old Stone Wall*

Rev. Paul Van Kempen

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*This Is Not the End*

Gungor

## 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, you are invited to fill out a prayer card (found in the pew-backs) and put it in the offering plate. The ushers will deliver it to the pastors.*

### STEWARDSHIP MINUTE AND INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

#### \*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.**

#### \*STEWARDSHIP LITURGY

One: God, we come to you with these gifts and pledges for the work of your Kingdom. We come with many feelings in our hearts. When we come in anxiety;

All: **May the winds of the Spirit remind us that God is Love and that God knows our fears and reminds us to fear not.**

One: When we come in Loneliness;

All: **May the winds of the Spirit help us to look around us and see your love here in our church family. Help us to work together to stand with and for those who can't stand by themselves.**

One: When we come in fear of or for our neighbors;

All: **May the winds of the Spirit remind us to see God's Love for all our neighbors and share that love with them.**

One: When we come in gratitude;

- All:** May the winds of the Spirit help us to share what we have in strength, understanding, time, and material things, so that others too can be grateful for God's Love.
- One:** Accept these pledges and gifts we pray and use them and us to share God's love in this world.
- All:** Amen and Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**SONG** #344 *Bring Peace to Earth Again*

*Some choose to begin this prayer, "Our Creator," "Our Mother," or "Our Parent."*

**All:** 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.

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *Your Peace Will Make Us One* (See Insert)

## CARRYING GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*SENDING SONG** *Your Peace Will Make Us One* (Chorus)

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Worship Leaders: Rev. Paul Van Kempen, Rev. Cathy Hoop, Dave Zessin,  
Beth Magennis, Erin Magennis, Luke Rund-Scott, Rose Gifford.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Stewardship Season** // Stewardship packets are available on a table in the entryway. We encourage you to find your packet and take it with you (This saves us postage!) and prayerfully consider how you can support the ministries of our congregation.

**Advent Potluck** // Following the education hour on **December 1**, you are invited to join your church family for an Advent potluck beginning at noon. Bring a dish to share and spend some time in community making ornaments and preparing for Advent!

**Advent Display** // The Worship and the Arts Council would love to display your Nativity scenes again in the M&M Cafe during our season of Advent. If you would like to contribute your Nativity scene, please drop them off in the office. Make sure your box is clearly labelled so we can return them to you after Christmas. We will start decorating the Meet and Mingle cafe after church on Sunday, November 24. Thank you for your contributions!

**College Student Care Packages** // Let's show FPC's college students we love them! Bring snacks, coffee gift cards, post-its, highlighters, or other study treats small enough to fit in a manilla envelope and mail to FPC's college students to let them know we are thinking of them, and stop by to sign cards or write notes of encouragement on **Sunday, December 1**. We hope to send out packages to 12-15 students. If you have a college student in your family who would like a care package, email their current address to [deacons@fpcholland.org](mailto:deacons@fpcholland.org) by 4/21.

**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. Next class is Thursday, **December 5** at 9:30 in the fellowship hall. Please email Gwen at [ghekman@gmail.com](mailto:ghekman@gmail.com) if you are interested or have any questions.

**Save the Date** // There are six youth from FPC performing in this year's production of the Nutcracker at Avalon School of the Arts: Mae Boeve, Whitney Boeve, Gia DeFeyter, Kyle Magennis, Liz Peterson, and Marian Reynolds. 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.

**Parents' Day Out / Christmas Craft Day** // Sunday, **December 8** from 12-2p the deacons invite parents to leave your kids at church after the education hour and enjoy a couple of hours to yourselves. Kids will have pizza in the fellowship hall and make some Christmas decorations for our homebound seniors. Sign up your kids at church, or email [deacons@fpc.org](mailto:deacons@fpc.org) to let us know who is attending and their pizza preference (cheese, pepperoni, or veggie).

**Christmas Caroling to homebound members** // On Sunday, **December 15** we will meet at 2pm and take the bus to visit and carol for several homebound church members. Sign up in the narthex if you would like to join us!

**Preschool Fundraiser** // Our Presbyterian Preschool fundraiser is happening now, and our PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN have pledged to help them with the campaign this year. They are set with the Quality folks to participate in WASH WITH A MISSION. They offer the Single Use Vouchers, Quality Wash, Express Interior Cleaning, or the 30 Days of Unlimited Car Washes. Choose your program. Car wash vouchers are handy birthday and Christmas

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stocking gifts. 40% of what level you buy goes back to our wonderful preschool program. PW representatives will be ready to help on Sundays for 3 weeks. Please help us clean up Holland one dirty car at a time!

**Volunteers Needed** // Out On The Lakeshore is looking for volunteers to package books and deliver to local schools, a project that takes a few hours on one day a month. These will all be at Bluestocking Bookshop (near the corner of Butternut and James on the north side) from 10am-12pm. Volunteers are needed December 11, January 8, February 12, March 12, April 9, May 13. Please contact their office for more details, 616-994-8090. Thank you!

**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!

**Service Opportunity** // Refresh, a program run by Community Action House at First United Methodist Church, will be offering a Seasonal Emergency Warming Center this winter. They plan to be open for our neighbors experiencing homelessness on nights the temperatures drop to 10 degrees or below. This is not a shelter, only a place to be protected from the freezing temperatures. Persons will be given 2 blankets and a place to sleep on the floor in the gym of the church. They are looking for volunteers that are willing to be contacted at short notice to help man the center. Shifts will be from 8pm to midnight & midnight to 8 am. There will be trained persons available to manage any issues that may arise. If this is something you feel you could do or if you have questions, please contact Janet Hostetler. [Janethostetler@gmail.com](mailto:Janethostetler@gmail.com) or 740-704-4822.

During November there will be a coat rack in the Outreach Kiosk to donate any coats that you no longer need or are extras in your closet. We will share them with our Outreach partner agencies.

**Outreach Opportunity** // We will again be offering you the opportunity to spread Holiday Cheer by being a Holiday Advocate for Children's Advocacy Center. It is a much appreciated & important service of CAC. This was the message from the Family Advocate Manager at CAC, "The number of hugs, tears, and overall relief that we receive from families when we tell them about this program is overwhelming. So, again, thank you. You are giving so much more to these families than just physical presents."

We will be given names of 15 children as options for you. Children's wish lists will have items in four categories: wear, read, want, need. You will choose one item from each category, with a suggested spending total of \$150 per child. You are welcome to take a child by yourself, join with a couple friends in buying gifts for one child or you can choose a category for a child and we will find other persons to complete that child's gift. Sign up for what you are comfortable doing. Names will be available on November 17 or 24 in the Outreach Kiosk or you can contact Janet Hostetler to get a name or have questions. Gifts will be due back at the church by December 8.

[Janethostetler@gmail.com](mailto:Janethostetler@gmail.com)  
or 740-704-4822.

We will also have a list of stocking stuffers that are wanted for their Stocking Store. This may be an option for persons wanting to be involved, but feel it is too much to sponsor a child.

# God Welcomes All

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God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;

The first system of music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is written in the treble clef and the accompaniment in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "God wel - comes all, strang - ers and friends;".

God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "God's love is strong and it nev - er ends.". The system concludes with a double bar line.



## 301

## Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)  
 C7 F C F B<sup>b</sup> C Dm



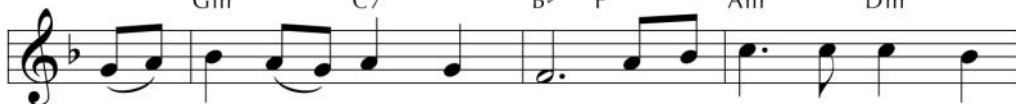
1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can  
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are  
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,  
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the  
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)  
 F C F Dm7 Gm C



safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell  
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek  
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground  
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,  
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)  
 Gm C7 B<sup>b</sup> F Am Dm



how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)  
 Gm C F B<sup>b</sup>



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the  
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as  
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we  
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us  
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

# 582

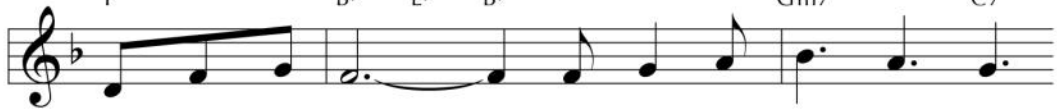
## Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)  
B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F B<sup>b</sup> F Gm F



1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,  
2 World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)  
F B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> B<sup>b</sup> Gm7 C7



and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,  
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)  
C7 F A Dm



and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.  
World with - out end, with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)  
Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F



As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

GATHERING

# 414 Be Still and Know That I Am God

Capo 4: (C)

(Am)

(C7)

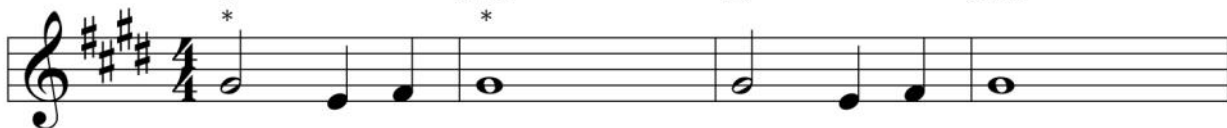
(Am)

E

C#m

E7

C#m



Be still and know that I am God.

(F)

(C)

(Dm)

(Em)

(Fmaj7)

(G7)

A

E

F#m

G#m

Amaj7

B7



Be still and know that I am God.

# 344 Where Armies Scourge the Countryside

## Bring Peace to Earth Again

Capo 5: (Am) (Dm) (Am)  
 Dm Gm Dm

1 Where ar - mies scourge the coun - try - side, and  
 2 Where an - ger fes - ters in the heart, and  
 3 Where homes are torn by bit - ter strife, and  
 4 O God, whose heart com - pas - sion - ate bears

(F) (Dm) (Em) (Am) (B $\flat$ )  
 B $\flat$  Gm Am Dm E $\flat$

peo - ple flee in fear, where si - rens scream through  
 strikes with cru - el hand; where vio - lence stalks the  
 love dis - solves in blame; where walls you meant for  
 ev - ery hu - man pain, re - deem this vio - lent,

(E) (Am) (F) (E)  
 A Dm B $\flat$  A

flam - ing nights, and death is ev - er near:  
 trou - bled streets, and ter - ror haunts the land:  
 shel - tering care hide deeds of hurt and shame:  
 wound - ing world till gen - tle - ness shall reign.

*Refrain* (Am) (Dm) (G) (C) (F) (Dm)(Em)(Am)  
 Dm Gm C F B $\flat$  Gm Am Dm

O God of mer - cy, hear our prayer. Bring peace to earth a - gain!

# Your Peace Will Make Us One

Audrey Assad



Mine eyes have seen the glo - ry of the com - ing of the Lord; You are  
I've seen you in our home fires burn - ing with a qui - et light; You are  
3 In the beau - ty of the lil - ies You were born a - cross the sea, with a



5 speak - ing truth to pow - er you are lay - ing down our swords; re -  
mo - ther - ing and feed - ing in the wee hours of the night; your  
glo - ry in your bos - om that is still trans - fi - gur - ing; Dis -



8 plant - ing ev - 'ry vine - yard 'til a brand new wine is poured.  
gen - tle love is pat - ient, You will ne - ver fade or tire. Your peace will make us  
man - tl - ing our em - pires 'til each one of us is free;



12 one. Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le -



lu - jah! Glo - ry, glo - ry hal - le - lu - jah! Your peace will make us one.

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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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