



Love is patient,
love is kind.
It does not envy,
it does not boast,
It is not proud.
It does not dishonor others,
it is not self-seeking,
it is not easily angered,
it keeps no record of wrongs.
Love does not delight in evil
but rejoices with the truth.
It always protects,
always trusts,
always hopes,
always perseveres.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

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

ORDER OF WORSHIP
February 2, 2025 // 10am

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

PRELUDE

RINGING THE BELL & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

One: The God of life be with you!

All: **And also with you!**

GATHERING SONG #388 *Come All You People* 2x

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: God alone is our refuge and hope, our shelter and protection.

All: **From our very first breath to our last, God's love and compassion never fail.**

One: So come, lift your voices in praise to God.

All: **Bear witness to God's acts of mercy and love.**

One: Proclaim God's glory to all who will listen.

All: **Let's worship God together.**

*** OPENING HYMN #729 *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian***

INVITATION TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Without love, I am like a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

What is love?

Love is patient.

Congregation: We confess that we are often quick-tempered.

All: **Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: Love is kind.

Congregation: We confess that we are often indifferent toward others.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Love is not envious.

Congregation: We confess that we are petty and jealous.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Love is not boastful.

Congregation: We confess that we are proud and pretentious.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Love is not rude.

Congregation: We confess that we are too busy to be polite.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Love does not insist on getting its own way.

Congregation: We confess that we have a false sense of our own importance.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Love does not rejoice in wrong-doing.

Congregation: We confess that we often rejoice in all the wrong things.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: May God show us mercy, forgive our sins against love, and lead us into life everlasting.

All: Amen.

KYRIE

Cantor:

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Congregation (echo)

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Translation

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA #583 *Glory to God*

*PASSING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

HEARING GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN #392

Jesus, We Are Here

All: **Jesus, we are here;
Jesus, we are here;
Jesus, we are here;
we are here for you.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

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

All: **thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Rev. Paul Van Kempen

*HYMN #693 *Though I May Speak*

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

Elder: Jon Kreple

Deacon: Kristin Goddard

One: There are varieties of gifts,
but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

All: **There are different ways of serving God,
but it is the same Lord who is served.**

One: God works through each person in a unique way,
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

All: **To each is given a gift of the Spirit
to be used for the common good.**

One: Together we are the body of Christ,
and individually members of it.

1 Cor. 12:4-7, 27

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

I Give My Life

Jean Anne Shafferman

*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

COMMUNION HYMN #769 *For Everyone Born* (vs. 1,3, 5)

INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: God be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to God.

One: Let us give thanks to God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: For you, Creator God, the valleys laugh and sing
and the trees of the field clap their hands.
Your earth summons us to break silence
and be one with the song of creation.

All: We give you thanks and praise.

One: For you, God of all,
the church in its myriad forms

One: and countless languages honors its Saviour.
Millions upon millions invite us
to be one with them in the drama of worship.

All: We give you thanks and praise.

One: In heaven, beyond our seeing,
the angels and saints are caught up in song.
And those we have loved and lost
are part of that great company.
They call us to be one with the harmony of heaven.

All: We give you thanks and praise.

One: So gladly we join our voices
to those of earth, sea and sky,
in the universal hymn of praise
which echoes through time and eternity.

SANCTUS #552

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

***COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

***CLOSING HYMN** #300 *We Are One in the Spirit*

CARRYING GOD'S LOVE INTO THE WORLD

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING SONG** #300 *We Are One in the Spirit (Refrain)*

Worship Leaders: Rev. Paul Van Kempen, Lauren Stouffer, Beth Magennis,
Erin Magennis, FPC Choir, Rose Gifford

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

Wired Word // Meets this Sunday at 11:15am in the Michigan Room

News from Lighthouse Immigrant Advocates// The team at Lighthouse Immigrants Advocates has prepared succinct Know Your Rights literature for both our nonimmigrant and immigrant neighbors, and we need your help to spread the word. We invite you to join us for **Love Your Community, Know Your Rights** on **Saturday, February 15 of 2025**, as we come together to empower and inform our immigrant neighbors about their rights through a day of canvassing around our community! To learn more or to register, use this link: <https://lia-michigan.org/events/love-your-neighbor>

Presbyterian Women // Our next meeting will be Wednesday February 12 at 9:30 am in the Michigan Room for Bible Study – Lesson 6

Habitat for Humanity // Upcoming Habitat workdays are 2/13 and 3/13. Questions can be directed to wehaines@icloud.com.

Summer Camp Scholarships // It's time to start thinking about summer camp. If you are interested in sending your camper(s) to any Christian summer camp and would like scholarship information, talk with Pastor Paul, or watch the Wednesday eWeekly communication for a link to download the forms.

Women's Retreat // Our Women's Retreat will be held here (FPC) on Saturday, February 22, 2025, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. The theme of the retreat is *Telling Your Stories, Sharing Our Lives*, and the speaker will be Rev. Janet Salyer. Janet is a pastor, counselor and spiritual director and a delightful human being! Come be nurtured by her warmth, joy and spiritual depth. Brochures with registration forms are available on the kiosk outside the church office. Registration forms are also available on our website homepage, www.fpcholland.org. For more information, please contact Carleen Bauer carleenbauer@gmail.com or Chris Urbaniak cmurbaniak@comcast.net.

Holland Community Theatre // Dinner and theater evening, Saturday, February 15th at 7:30pm to see, *An Inspector Calls* at Holland Community Theatre. Description: After a young girl's death, an inspector calls to interrogate the family and finds to their surprise that they are all caught up in her demise. The play explores themes of social responsibility and society's failings, and serve as a reminder of our collective duty to one another. Tickets are \$18 payable to Chris Urbaniak in advance. Optional dinner at the Curraugh at 5:30pm. Sign-up in the narthex.

Come All You People

Uyai mose

Leader

U - ya - i mo - se, ti - na -
Come all you peo - ple, come and

U - ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te
Come all you peo - ple, come and praise your

Ahom

Ahom

ma - te Mwa - ri; u - ya - i mo - se,
praise your Mak - er; come all you peo - ple,

Mwa - ri; u - ya - i mo - se,
Mak - er; come all you peo - ple,

Ahom

ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri; u -
come and praise your Mak - er; come

ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri; u - ya - i
come and praise your Mak - er; come all you

Come All You People

Uyai mose

ya - i mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
all you peo - ple, come and praise your Mak - er;

mo - se, ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri;
peo - ple, come and praise your Mak - er;

Ahom

u - ya - i mo - se zvi - no. Ti - na - ma - te Mwa - ri, no.
come now and wor - ship the Lord. Come and praise your Mak - er, Lord.

u - ya - i mo - se zvi - no. no.
come now and wor - ship the Lord. Lord.

729 Lord, I Want to Be a Christian



1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my heart;
2 Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart, in my heart;
3 Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart, in my heart;
4 Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart, in my heart;



Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.



In my heart, in my heart,
In my heart, in my heart,



Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more lov - ing in my heart.
Lord, I want to be more ho - ly in my heart.
Lord, I want to be like Je - sus in my heart.

Glory to God

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Gloria, gloria

Capo 3: (Bm)

(Em) (A)

(D)

Dm

Gm

C

F

(chords continue)



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!
Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

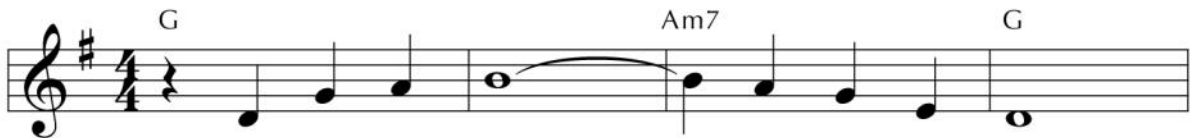


Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Though I May Speak

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The Gift of Love



1 Though I may speak with brav - est fire,
2 Though I may give all I pos - sess,
3 Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol;



and have the gift to all in - spire,
and striv - ing so my love pro - fess,
our spir - its long to be made whole.



and have not love, my words are vain,
but not be given by love with - in,
Let in - ward love guide ev - ery deed;



as sound - ing brass, and hope - less gain.
the prof - it soon turns strange - ly thin.
by this we wor - ship, and are freed.

We Are One in the Spirit 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em)
Fm Cm Fm



1 We are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord;
2 We will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand;
3 We will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side;
4 All praise to the Fa - ther, from whom all things come,

(Am) (Em)
B^bm Fm



we are one in the Spir - it; we are one in the Lord,
we will walk with each oth - er; we will walk hand in hand,
we will work with each oth - er; we will work side by side,
and all praise to Christ Je - sus, God's on - ly Son,

(Am) (Em)
B^bm Fm



and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored:
and to - geth - er we'll spread the news that God is in our land:
and we'll guard hu - man dig - ni - ty and save hu - man pride:
and all praise to the Spir - it, who makes us one:

Refrain (C) (Em)
D^b Fm



And they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love, by our

(Am) (Em) (Am) (Bm) (Em) (Am/E) (Em)
B^bm Fm B^bm Cm Fm B^bm/F Fm



love; yes, they'll know we are Chris - tians by our love.

For Everyone Born



1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,
 2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,
 3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,
 4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,
 5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,
 re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,
 a - bus - er, a - bused, with need to for - give,
 to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,
 with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,
 the hands of a child in hands that are wrin - kled,
 in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,
 for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,
 for young and for old, the right to be - long,
 for just and un - just, a new way to live,
 for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,

For Everyone Born

Refrain




B All E E/G# A2 Bsus B

and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and



E E/G# A2 Bsus B

joy, com-pas - sion and peace: yes,



C#m C#m/B A2

God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,



Bsus B E (fermata) Fine A2 E Bsus B

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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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