FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 17, 2025



First Presbyterian Church of Mount Clemens invites you to "Come as a guest, leave as family."

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GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Judi Armstrong

PRELUDE

*SONG

"The Heart of Worship"

Insert

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come together as the church;

All: not a building of wood or stone, but a spiritual house.

Leader: We will be the living stones that shout praise even when others

are silent.

All: God redeems us, joins us together, and builds us up.

*PASSING THE PEACE

Peace be with you!

People: And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*SONG

"All Are Welcome"

Insert

CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Christ, our way, our truth, our life, you have shown us the way, so clearly and fully. You have not simply told us how to live, you have shown us. But we still don't get it. We do not believe all you have said to us; we do not trust the way you have shown us. Help us, O God. Forgive us. Open our ears to your truth, open our eyes to your way, and lead us into new life.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*GRATEFUL RESPONSE

"Draw Me Nearer"

Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, To the cross where Thou has died. Draw me nearer, nearer blessed Lord, To Thy precious, bleeding side

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS Romans 12:1-2

1 Chronicles 28:10-19 Matthew 7:24-27

SERMON "Space and Objects: Aids to Worship" Rev. Kathy Nealand

SUNG RESPONSE

"Holy Spirit Living Breath of God"

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth
Giving life to all that God has made
Show your power once again on earth
Cause your church to hunger for your ways
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise,
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
May be clear for all the world to see.

THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC "We Will Praise You" Praetorius arr. Wagner

*OFFERING RESPONSE

Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love; Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

SENDING

*SONG "How Firm a Foundation" #361

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE