

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 17, 2026
7th Sunday of Easter

The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit



First Presbyterian Church of Mount Clemens invites you to

“Come as a guest, leave as family.”

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BOLD TEXT – All participate

* - Stand if you are able

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GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Martha Delargey

PRELUDE

***SONG**

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

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***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: God of Freedom, our hearts are bowed in awe

All: because you have torn the veil between heaven and earth.

Empower us with clarity and grow us in wisdom

so that all may know freedom in you.

We come to you in this moment,

cups running over with thanksgiving.

Amen!

***PASSING THE PEACE**

The Peace of the Lord be with you!

People: And also with you.

***SONG**

“Open My Eyes That I May See”

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CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all time and space, we confess our failure to use well our time

and our space. We give our hearts to trivial matters. We struggle to

separate truth from clutter. We neglect the needs of the neighbors

you direct us to love. We exploit the world you have made and have

failed to care for your creation. Forgive us. Reshape our priorities and

guide our efforts that we may live our days to your glory.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Rev. Kathy Nealand

Pastor:...This is good news!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

***GRATEFUL RESPONSE**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 1:15-23

Luke 24:44-53

These words are trustworthy and true.

Thanks be to God.

The Children Present:
The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit by Allen Pote

Cast and Crew:

Lilly Dubs, David

Griffin Abouelseoud, Goliath and Philistine

Ashley Armstrong, Commander

Anna Armstrong, Michal

Daphne Dubs, King Saul

Avery Black, Shield Bearer of Goliath

Giuliana Sias, Sentry

Lindsey Armstrong

Mabel Dubs

Zachary Henderson, Goliath Support

Becky Ball & Samantha Henderson, Props

Carol Herhilar, Piano

Michael Ball, Lights and Sound

Directors: Sara Ball and Jeanette Armstrong

THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC

***OFFERING RESPONSE**

(Lasst Uns Erfeuen)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures
high and low, Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully know:
Creator, Word and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!**

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**

"I'm gonna live so God can use me"

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***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**All: The Divine One has blessed us with the cup of Life.
The Divine One has blessed us with the cup of Goodness.
The Divine One has blessed us with the cup of Freedom.
Drink deeply!**

POSTLUDE