

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 7, 2025

PUT ON THE
....full....
armor
OF GOD.

Ephesians 6:11, NIV

First Presbyterian Church of Mount Clemens invites you to

“Come as a guest, leave as family.”

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* - Stand if you are able

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GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Becky Ball

PRELUDE

"Andantino"

Cesar Frank

***SONG**

"Give of Your Best to the Master"

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***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, O God, most gracious host.

All: My soul longs, indeed it faints, for the household of God.

Leader: Even the sparrow finds a home and the swallow a nest at your table of grace, O homemaking God.

All: Our hearts and our flesh sing for joy to you, the living God.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

Peace be with you!

People: And also with you.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

***SONG**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

#420

CALL TO CONFESSION & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, you are near to the brokenhearted, and you save the crushed in spirit. Be near to us in our brokenness, and love us into wholeness.

You give us what we need to do what is right according to your will, but we look to our own understanding. You call us to be united, yet we participate in division. Be near to us in our brokenness, and love us into wholeness. By your mercy, forgive our sins. By your grace, free us to try again.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

***GRATEFUL RESPONSE**

"We Are Forgiven"

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS 1 Samuel 17:38-47 Ephesians 6:14-18

SERMON “Fortification: Spiritual Armor” Rev. Kathy Nealand

THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING MUSIC “Adagio” (K. 356) W. A. Mozart

***OFFERING RESPONSE**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, and the Son, Praise Father and the Son

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Praise Him from whom all blessing flow. (3x)

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Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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

HOLY COMMUNION

CHOIR ANTHEM “Communion Prayer” Allen Pote

WORDS OF INVITATION & GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also, with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

ACCLAMATION OF PRAISE

Pastor: Therefore, with all creation we sing your praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord

(Sanctus)

J. M. S.

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly

Lord God of power and might.

Heav'n and earth are full of thy glo - ry.

Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord Most

High. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is He that come-th in the name of the

Lord, Ho - san - na in the high - est!

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

All: Christ has died! Christ has risen! Christ will come again!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

God of glory, in this holy feast you have made us one with Christ and with that great multitude of the faithful - those who hunger and thirst no more and worship night and day in your temple. Lead us in the paths of righteousness and guide us to the springs of the water of life, until we join the choir of the redeemed, singing: Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb: Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***SONG** **“Onward Christian Soldiers”** **pg. 7**

POSTLUDE *"Fugato"* Van Meert

Give of Your Best to the Master

Howard B. Grosen

Wes Fishwick

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1. Give of your best to the Mas - ter, Give of the strength of your youth, ____



Throw your soul's fresh, glow - ing ar - dor In - to the bat - tle for truth. ____



Je - sus has set the ex - am - ple, Daunt - les was He, young and brave; ____

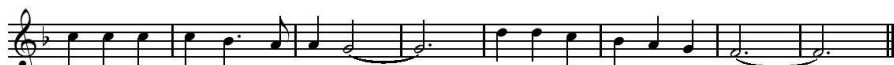


Give Him your loy - al de - vo - tion; Give Him the best that you have. ____

Refrain



Give of your best to the Mas - ter, ____ Give of the strength of your youth; ____



Clad in sal - va - tion's full ar - mor, ____ Join in the bat - tle for truth. ____

2. Give of your best to the Master,
Give Him first place in your heart;
Give Him first place in your service;
Consecrate ev - er - y part.
Give, and to you will be given;
God His beloved Son gave;
Gratefully seeking to serve Him,
Give Him the best that you have. *Refrain*

3. Give of your best to the Master,
Naught else is worthy His love;
He gave Himself for ransom,
Gave up His glory above.
Laid down His life withiut murmur,
You from sin's ruin to save;
Give Him your heart's adoration,
Give Him the best that you have. *Refrain*

Onward, Christian Soldiers 731

Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. 2 Timothy 2:3

1. On-ward, Chris-tian sol-diers, March-ing as to war, With the cross of
 2. At the sign of tri-umph Sa-tan's host doth flee; On, then, Chris-tian
 3. Like a might-y ar-my Moves the Church of God; Chris-tians, we are
 4. On-ward, then, ye peo-ple, Join our hap-py throng; Blend with ours your

Je-sus Go-ing on be-fore. Christ, the roy-al Mas-ter, Leads a-
 sol-diers, On to vic-to-ry! Hell's foun-da-tions quiv-er At the
 tread-ing Where the saints have trod. We are not di-vid-ed; All one
 voic-es In the tri-umph song. Glo-ry, laud, and hon-or Un-to

gainst the foe; For-ward in-to bat-tle, See His ban-ners go!
 shout of praise; Chris-tians, lift your voic-es, Loud your an-thems raise!
 bod-y, we: One in hope and doc-trine, One in char-i-ty.
 Christ, the King; This thro' count-less a-ges Men and an-gels sing.

Refrain

On-ward, Chris-tian sol-diers, March-ing as to war,

With the cross of Je-sus Go-ing on be-fore.

TEXT: Sabine Baring-Gould
 MUSIC: Arthur S. Sullivan

ST. GERTRUDE
 6.5.6.5.D. with Refrain