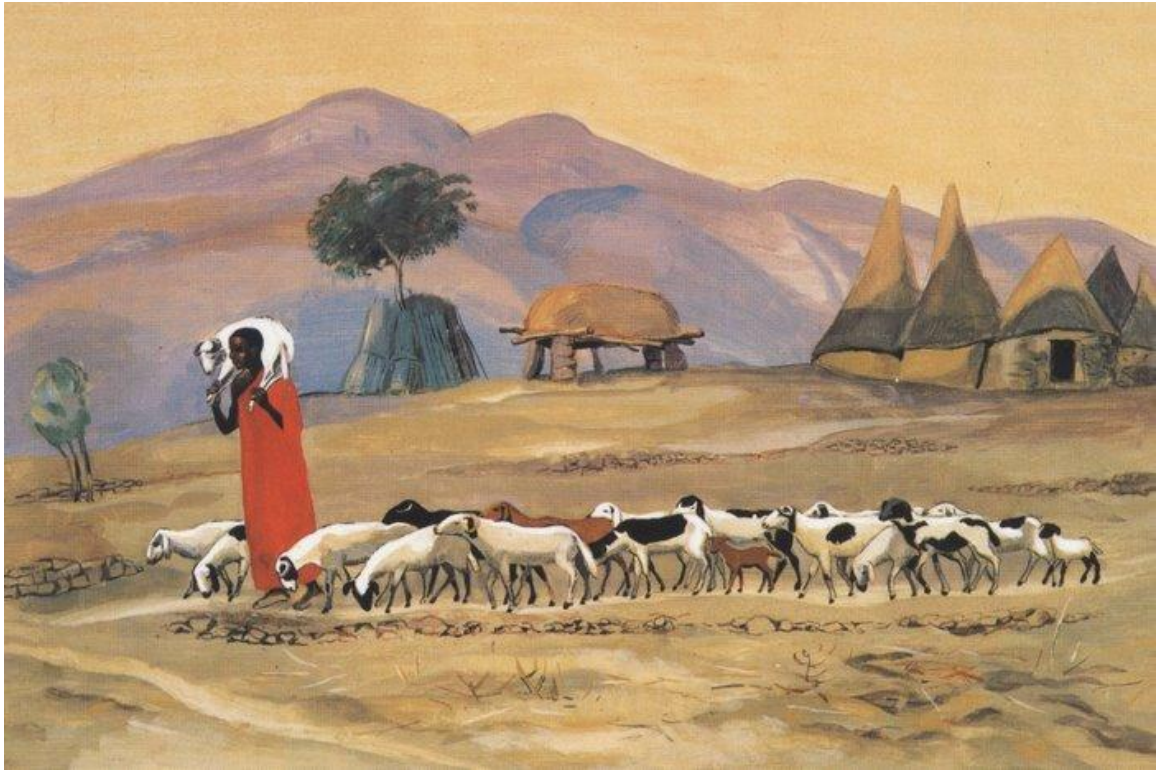


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If you are straight, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning...
If you are married, single, divorced, widowed....
If you are a believer, a questioner....
We Are So Glad That YOU Are Here!

SERVICE FOR OUR LORD'S DAY

MAY 11, 2025 AT 10:00 AM

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

SERGEI KVITKO

CALL TO WORSHIP (FROM ISAIAH 53:5-6)

GEOFF BLAIR

He was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

++ HYMN #386 [GTG]

Come, Worship God

Psalm 95, often called VENITE from its first word in Latin, has long served as an opening canticle in the worship of Western Christianity. John Calvin found here two reasons to praise God: for sustaining the created world and for adopting the church into a gracious relationship.

SERVICE OF RENEWAL

CALL TO CONFESSION

GEOFF BLAIR

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we have followed the desires of our own hearts and neglected the needs of our neighbors. Forgive our hard and selfish ways. Turns us to Christ and Christ's righteous path. Guide our steps in mission and ministry. Amen.

++indicates to stand if you are able

We are an Easter people, forgiven and freed, ready to sing God's glory and testify to God's grace.

Amen.

++ RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS #591 [GTG]

Halle, halle, halle- lujah! (three times)

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

++ PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

GEOFF BLAIR

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Be still and know that I am God (three times)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

MS. MEGAN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GEOFF BLAIR

God our helper, guide us into and through your Word, that we might be shaped by your Spirit's message to us today and transferred for service in your world. **Amen.**

PSALM Reading Psalm 23

GEOFF BLAIR

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul
He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
my whole life long

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM “The 23rd Psalm (dedicated to my mother)” by Bobby McFerrin
CHANCEL CHOIR

The Lord is my Shepherd, I have all I need, She makes me lie down in green meadows, Beside the still waters, She will lead. She restores my soul, She rights my wrongs, She leads me in a path of good things, and fills my heart with songs. Even though I walk, through a dark and dreary land, there is nothing that can shake me, She has said, She won't forsake me, I'm in Her hand. She sets a table before me, in the presence of my foes, She anoints my head with oil, and my cup overflows. Surely, surely goodness and kindness will follow me, all the days of my life, and I will live in Her house, Forever, forever and ever. Glory be to our Mother, and Daughter, And to the Holy of Holies, As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, World, without end. Amen.

GOSPEL READING John 10:22-30 REV. STANLEY JENKINS

At that time the Festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, “How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.” Jesus answered, “I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me, but you do not believe because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, in regard to what he has given me, is greater than all, and no one can snatch them out of the Father’s hand. The Father and I are one.”

++HYMN #324[GTG] For All the Faithful Women

Created to honor the tenth anniversary of the first ordination of a woman in the Lutheran Church in America, this text celebrates representative women of the Bible: Miriam and Ruth from Hebrew Scripture, Mary, Martha, and Mary Magdalene from the gospels and Dorcas from Acts.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GWEN BOTTING

The Lord be with you

and also with you

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Prayers continue...)

Lord's Prayer (**unison**)

**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.**

Amen **#554 [GTG]** Amen

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY MUSIC "O virtus Sapientie" by Hildegard von Bingen, arr Rose Rodrique

CHANCEL CHOIR

Translation:

O Wisdom's energy! Whirling you encircle and everything embrace in the single way of life. Three wings you have: one soars above and into the heights, one from the earth exudes, and all about now flies the third.

Praise be to you, as is your due, O Wisdom.

++Doxology #608 [GTG]

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore.

Prayer of Dedication

HYMN #803 [GTG] My Shepherd Will Supply My Need
The effectiveness of this beloved paraphrase of Psalm 23 owes much to the flowing shape note melody that serves as a “living stream” to carry the text, which in turn has been given a remarkable clarity and lightness through the poet’s masterful use of single-syllable words.

BENEDICTION

Blest Be the Tie That Binds #306 [GTG]
***Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.***

POSTLUDE

SERGEI KVITKO

*SOME LITURGIES WRITTEN BY TERRI MCDOWELL OTT AND PROVIDED BY PRESBYTERIAN
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INFORMATION FOR THE DAY

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING’S SERVICE:

LITURGIST:	GEOFF BLAIR
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC/DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:	MEGAN HIGLE
ORGANIST:	SERGEI KVITKO
PASTOR:	REV. STANLEY JENKINS
BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR:	DARIN SHOWALTER
SOUND SYSTEM AND AV:	BILL COLLINS, ANDREW MACKOUL, TRENTON MITCHELL

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNS are available, please see an usher.

LISTENING DEVICES are available, please see an usher.

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Per Capita Reminder: The annual per capita payment to the Lake Michigan Presbytery for 2025 is **\$42 per member**. This is for every member to consider. The check can go to the church noting “per capita.” Please consider paying a per capita for those who cannot afford to.



MORE LIGHT
PRESBYTERIANS



This Week at a Glance

Sunday, May 11

10:00 a.m. Worship service – Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Adult Forum – Litten Hall
11:30 a.m. Children’s Faith Formation
11:30 a.m. Finance Committee - Library (tentative)
12:30 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries - Chapel

Monday, May 12

9:00 a.m. GIL classes
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting - Library
5:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga room

Tuesday, May 13

9:00 a.m. GIL classes
2:30 p.m. Building & Grounds - Library (tentative)
6:00 p.m. Mid Michigan Photo Meeting - Library
6:30 p.m. Glen Erin Pipe band rehearsal – Litten Hall
7:00 p.m. Capital City Chordsmen rehearsal - Chapel

Wednesday, May 14

8:30 a.m. Counters
9:00 a.m. GIL classes
10:30 a.m. Lectionary Bible Study – Zoom
5:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga room
6:00 p.m. Wired Word Bible Study – Zoom
7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting

Thursday, May 15

9:00 a.m. GIL classes
6:00 p.m. GL Quilt Guild - Litten Hall
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal – Potluck @ Bob & Megan’s!
7:00 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries Bible Study - Library

Friday, May 16

5:30 p.m. Yoga – Yoga room

Saturday, May 17

10:00 a.m. Victory in Jesus Music Rehearsal – Chapel

Sunday, May 18

10:00 a.m. Worship service - Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Church Wide Potluck! – Litten Hall
12:30 p.m. Victory in Jesus Ministries Worship – Chapel

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

☞ **Share Your Musical Gifts This Summer!** ☞

Do you sing or play an instrument? We'd love for you to share your talent with our church family during Sunday Worship this summer!

Throughout June, July, and August, members of our congregation offer special music during the service. It's a beautiful way to contribute to our worship and uplift our community.

If you're interested, please connect with Megan Hagle, Director of Music, to be added to the summer music schedule.

Let's make this summer filled with joyful sound!

GO NUTS! We are attending the Lansing Lugnuts game on Friday, June 13. You still have time to let Rich Blankenship know if you want to attend with our group! Members of the Chancel Choir will be singing the National Anthem.

Come and Hear the Boogie Woogie Kid in Concert!

Join us for an unforgettable afternoon of music with *Matthew Ball*,
the Boogie Woogie Kid on
Sunday, June 1st at 3:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church of Lansing – Molly Grove Chapel

Enjoy a high-energy performance of boogie-woogie, blues, and swing piano favorites that will have your toes tapping and spirits soaring!

Suggested donation: \$15 per person.

Bring a Friend!

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ACT Uganda

ACT received a Mother's Day gift in the form of a \$5000 donation from Old Mission Wound Care and Rebirth Advanced Healing to the ACT HEAL Program. "At Old Mission Wound Care (OWMC) and Rebirth Advanced Healing, we believe deeply in supporting healthy mothers and babies," said Dr. Chris Mason, Owner, President and CEO. "Investing in the health of mothers and babies through the ACT HEAL Program is an investment in the future of their community. We are honored to contribute to this crucial initiative and support the health and well-being of families." It is donations from caring individuals and businesses like this, that continue to help those in need through the many programs of ACT. The ACT HEAL Program is a health promotion program working in Muko Sub-County, Uganda. A major focus is the education of mothers and girls with a focus on maternal health education for expecting mothers. It reached 874 pregnant women last year, all in rural, hard-to-reach areas of Uganda. To learn more about OWMC visit their website at rebirthheals.com; to learn more about ACT Uganda visit actuganda.org.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (INCLUDING ADULT FORUM AND CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION)

11:30-12:30 after worship service in Litten Hall

Childcare is available through this time - please let Childcare staff know if this is needed.

MAY 11

Adult Forum – Care for Creation: “Recycling.” Join the FPC Green Team on ways to recycle, how recycling is helping creation and what you can do in our church, our homes and in our communities. The team will give insights on navigating the different recycling programs in the area; and will also cover disposal of Household Hazardous Waste including electronics, fluorescent lights, paint, pesticides and other toxic chemicals.

Children's Faith Formation – Care for Creation Care for Animals” - Pr. Bob Hagle, teacher

MAY 18

Church Wide: Join us after worship for a Graduation Reception and Potluck! Please bring a dish that feeds 10-12 people. Beverages and place settings will be provided. A cart will be available by the entrance for your dish as you arrive for worship and someone will take it downstairs for you. Come enjoy great food and even better company. **See you in September!**