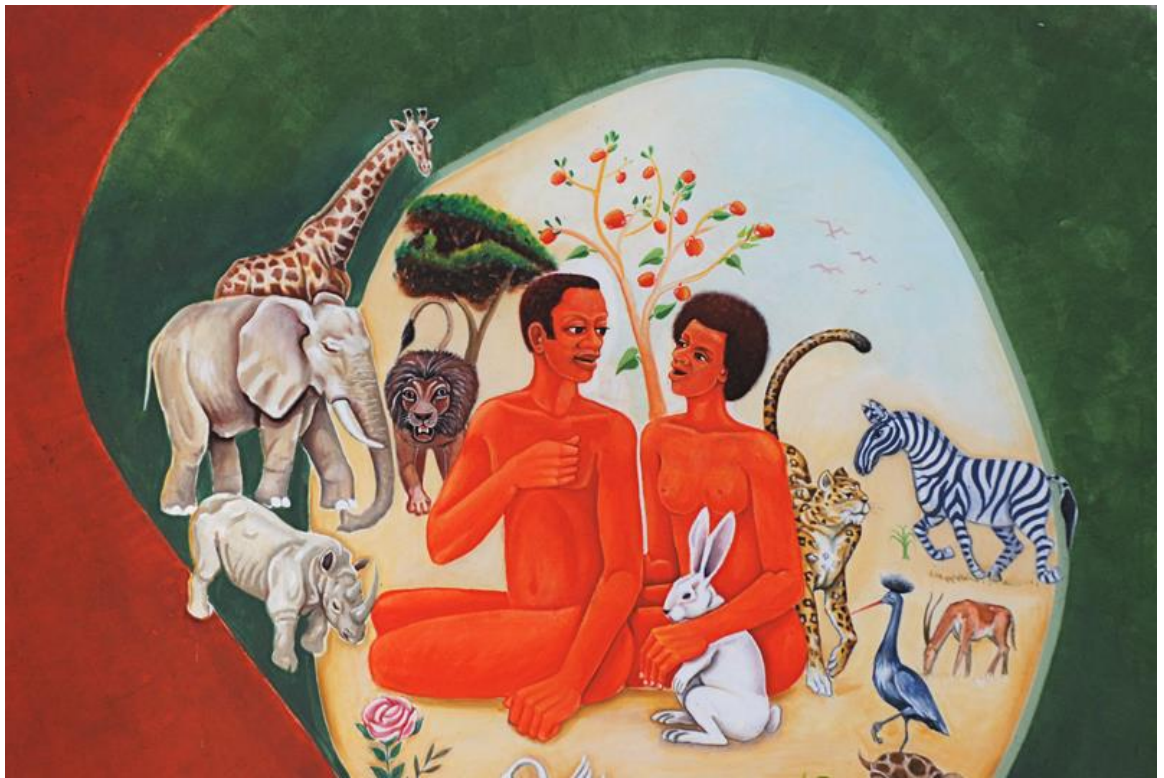


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SERVICE FOR OUR LORD'S DAY

OCTOBER 6, 2024 @ 10:00 AM

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Be Thou My Vision/ Come Thou Font of Every Blessing*, Slane/Nettleton
GLEN ERIN PIPE BAND

CALL TO WORSHIP

DARLA JACKSON

How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

**Our creator promised from the beginning
that we would not be alone.**

How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

**Our redeemer proclaimed
that everyone is welcome.**

How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

Our sustainer speaks to us still.

++ HYMN #630 [GTG] Fairest Lord Jesus

Franz Liszt used the melody for a "Crusaders' March" in an oratorio, but this hymn had nothing to do with the Crusades. No record of the German text exists before the middle of the 17th century or of the Silesian folk medley before the first half of the 19th century.

SERVICE OF RENEWAL

CALL TO CONFESSION

DARLA JACKSON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

CONGREGATION

**United in your love, O God,
we are one body across the globe.
We are branches of one family
whose roots run in the waters of grace.**

++indicates to stand in body or spirit.

**Still, O Lord, we do not act like one body.
 We find ways to distance ourselves with more than miles.
 We find ways to divide ourselves
 into endless groups of “us” and “them.”
 Again and again, you call us back to the waters;
 again and again, we turn away.
 Forgive us, uniting God,
 and by your forgiveness,
 challenge us to tend to each other’s wounds.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

DARLA JACKSON

Now stand firm in your faith,
 covered by the saving grace of God
 and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.
 In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

++ RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS #583 [GTG] GLORY TO GOD

SERVICE MUSIC

Glory to God

583

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!

++ **PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

DARLA JACKSON

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

And also with you.

#414 [GTG] Be still and know that I am God (3x).

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

MS. MEGAN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

DARLA JACKSON

Sovereign God, let your Word rule in our hearts
and your Spirit govern our lives
until at last we see the fulfillment
of your realm of justice and peace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

FIRST READING: HEBREWS 1:1-4;2:5-12

DARLA JACKSON

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. ³He is the reflection of God's glory and the exact imprint of God's very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word. When he had made purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, ⁴having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. ⁵Now God did not subject the coming world, about which we are speaking, to angels. ⁶But someone has testified somewhere, "What are human beings that you are mindful of them, or mortals, that you care for them? ⁷You have made them for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned them with glory and honor, ⁸subjecting all things under their feet." Now in subjecting all things to them, God left nothing outside their control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to them, ⁹but we do see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone. ¹⁰It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. ¹¹For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, ¹²saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM*O Waly Waly*, traditional

GLEN ERIN PIPE BAND

SECOND READING: GENESIS 2:18-24

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¹⁸Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner." ¹⁹So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. ²⁰The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner.

²¹So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²²And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken." ²⁴Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

SERMON

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++ **HYMN #20 [GTG]** All Things Bright and Beautiful

One of a series of hymns the author wrote for children on the Apostles' Creed, this text (originally in seven stanzas) expands "Maker of heaven and earth." The first stanza became the refrain when the text was later set to a popular tune from the age of King Charles II.

THE SACRAMENT OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER (all bread served is gluten free)

REV. STANLEY JENKINS

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you

and also with you

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

... who forever sing to the glory of your name.

Sanctus (sung in unison) #552[GTG] Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy

552

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (D)
 F C F B^b C F

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of the
 2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the

(A) (D/F[#]) (F[#]m) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C F/A Am B^b C Dm

pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)
 B^b F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

... Let us proclaim together the mystery of faith:

The Mystery of Faith (unison)

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Invocation of Holy Spirit

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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.**

Words of Institution

REV. STANLEY JENKINS

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup

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COMMUNION MUSIC: “Nocturne” from *A Midsomer’s Nights Dream* by Mendelssohn Brooke Broughton and Megan Higle, piano-four-hand

Responsive Prayer after the Supper

REV. STANLEY JENKINS

You have given yourself to us, Lord;

Now we give ourselves for others.

Your love has made us a new people;

As a people of love we will serve you with joy.

Your glory has filled our hearts;

Help us to glorify you in all things. Amen

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY MUSIC “*I Will Arise*” arr Alice Parker & Robert Shaw Chancel Choir

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms, in the arms of my dear Saviour, Oh! there are ten thousand charms.

Offering

REV. STANLEY JENKINS

All that we have and all that we are is a gift from God.

Let us then give back a portion of that goodness

to God’s work in the world.

++Doxology #607 [GTG]

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below;

Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

REV. STANLEY JENKINS

HYMN #23 [GTG] God, You Spin the Whirling Planets

This text was written for the 1979 National Meeting of United Presbyterian

Women, whose theme, “in the Image of God,” is variously considered here as a reflection, focus, distortion, and polishing for clarity. The words are well set to an anonymous 19th-century American tune.

BENEDICTION

REV. STANLEY JENKINS

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 *AMAZING GRACE (ARR: NEWTON/WALKER)* GLEN ERIN PIPE BAND

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INFORMATION FOR THE DAY

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:

LITURGIST: DARLA JACKSON

PRELUDE/POSTLUDE: GLEN ERIN PIPE BAND

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: MEGAN HIGLE

DIRECTOR OF CHURCH LIFE / COMMUNITY OUTREACH: PRINCE SOLACE

PRESIDING MINISTER: REV. STANLEY JENKINS

PREACHING: GWEN BOTTING

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNS are available.

Flowers today are in honor of:

FLOWER CHART There are many dates available on the chart to celebrate special days in our church family. The price is \$50. Simply sign up on the chart (in the office hall), indicate the occasion that you would like celebrated or honored (birthday, anniversary or memorial), write a check to the church and give it to Betsy, and we will order for you. If you would like to purchase or provide a silk arrangement, please see Judy Whitman. Thank you! ~ Worship Committee.

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This Week at a Glance

Sunday, October 6

10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Sunday service – Sanctuary

Potluck

Victory in Jesus Ministries – Chapel

Monday, October 7

10:00 a.m.-5

10:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

GIL classes

Church staff meeting – Library

Emergency Preparedness

Bell Choir rehearsal

Yoga – Yoga room

Membership Committee meeting

Tuesday, October 8

9:00 a.m.-6

10:00 a.m. -2

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Michigan United, voter turnout training Litten Hall

GIL Classes

Glen Erin Pipe Band – Litten Hall

Capital City Chordsmen rehearsal – Chapel

Wednesday, October 9

10:00 a.m.-5

12:00 P.M.

4:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

GIL Class

Bible study – Library\

Lansing Children's Choir

Yoga – Yoga room

Deacons meeting

Thursday, October 10

9:00 a.m.-2

7:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

GIL classes

Choir rehearsal – choir room

Victory in Jesus Ministries – Library

Friday, October 11

10:00 a.m.

5:30 p.m.

GIL classes

Yoga – Yoga Room

Saturday, October 12

TBA

Japan Sister City

Sunday, October 13

10:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

1:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m.

Sunday service – Sanctuary

Adult Forum – Litten Hall

Children's Faith Formation

Finance Committee

Victory in Jesus Ministries Worship – Sanctuary

CROP walk – Grace United Church

Lansing Symphony Orchestra - Chapel

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

The Lansing Matinee Musical and the Greater Lansing Chapter: American Guild of Organists present: **ORGAN WALK** on Saturday, October 12 from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

The walk begins at Central United Methodist Church and will stop at Christ Community Church and St. Mary's Cathedral.

Learn about the various pipe organs, hear music, enjoy fellowship!

A free lunch will follow the walk at Central UMC - you simply need to make a reservation so there is enough food for everyone.

Lunch reservations can be made with Joan Wierzba (organwalk24@gmail.com) or Mark Mitchell (mark@lansingcentralumc.net)

Volunteers are needed. Our young learners are looking for a few people to be "helpers" during their learning time. They need help with cutting, gluing, snacks, etc. (You will be aided by the teacher for that day, so no preparation is required.) Contact Megan Higle at mhigle@lansingfirstpres.org.

Music Ensembles Chancel choir and handbell choir will start rehearsals at the beginning of September! Both groups welcome new members!

Chancel Choir Director, Megan Higle, megan.higle@gmail.com

Bell Choir Director, Darin Showalter, darinshowalter@gmail.com

ADULT FORUM

(11:15-12:15 in Litten Hall downstairs or on zoom).

(Childcare is available through this time.)

October 6

World Communion Sunday. (No Adult Forum)

It's time for our traditional **potluck**. Plan to come and bring a dish from your heritage or a family favorite.

October 13, 20, 27

THEOLOGY FOR PRESBYTERIANS

For the last three Sundays of October, **Charlie Herrick** will make use of the denominationally produced guide, "Theology for Presbyterians" as well as adding his own insights as we look together at the traditional "articles" of our faith: God, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit, the Church, etc. The essence of the study guide material will be available ahead of each session in print and on the website. Come, learn, and ask questions you may have always had about these beliefs.