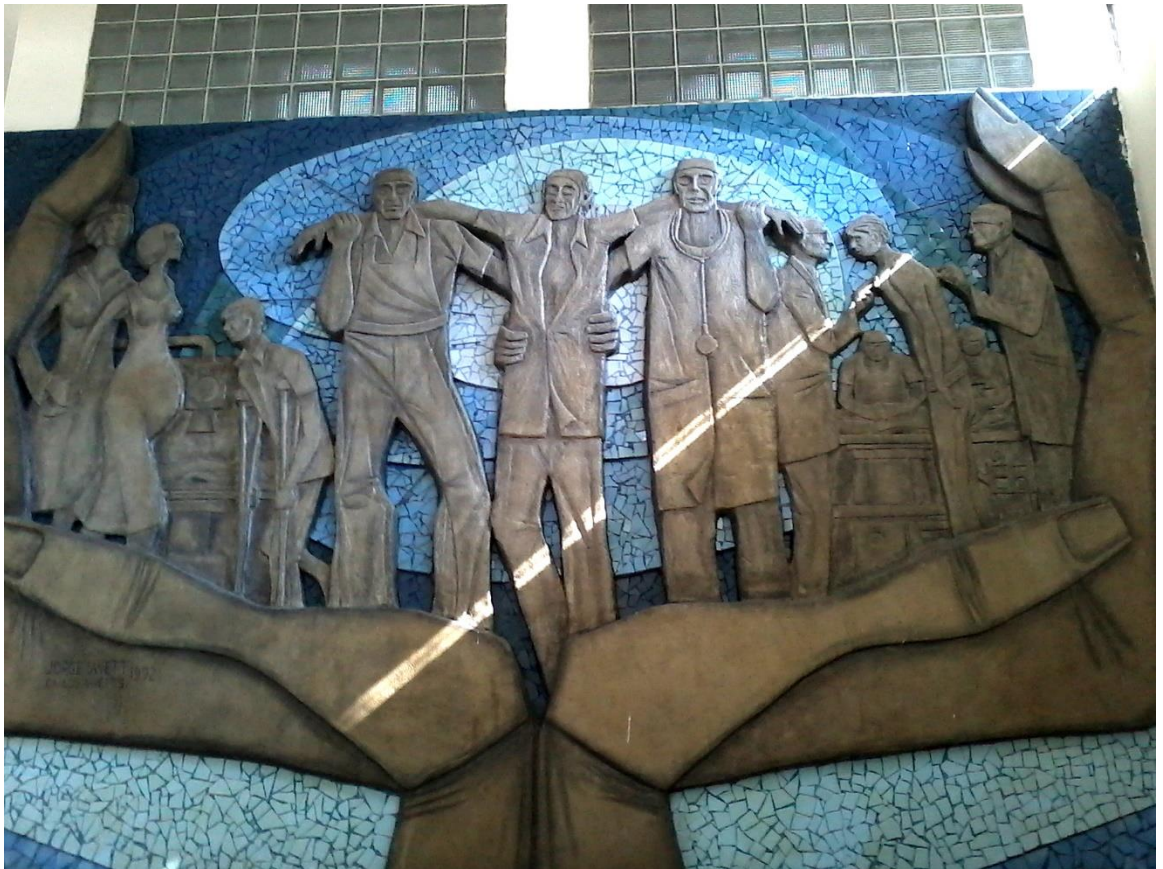


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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 2, 2024 10:00 a.m.

Second Sunday After Pentecost

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

In order to maintain our worship environment, please turn off your cell phones. Thank you.

PRELUDE

Sergei Kvitko

CALL TO WORSHIP

Chris Venetis

The God who has searched us and knows us, who is acquainted with all our ways,
that God calls us each by name.

Speak, Holy One, your servants are listening!

The God who liberated slaves from Egypt, the Lord of the Sabbath who bids us rest,
that God empowers us

to make Jesus' life visible in our very bodies.

Speak, Holy One, your servants are listening!

Let us sing aloud to God, our strength,
and shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

++HYMN #409 [GTG] God Is Here!

Commissioned for the dedication of a renovated worship space in Austin, Texas, this text is one of the few to devote attention to how customary church features facilitate worship. The tune (ABBOT'S LEIGH) was composed in wartime Britain to replace a Haydn tune tainted by Nazi associations.

SERVICE OF RENEWAL

Call to Confession

Chris Venetis

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Holy, triune God, we confess that we have not lived for your glory.
You call us to love and serve you, but we do not heed your voice.
You offer us restoration in Christ, but we turn away from your good gifts.
Forgive us, God of grace. Reveal the treasure of heavenly life
hidden in our fragile human hearts, so that your love may shine in us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

++Indicates to stand in body or spirit

Assurance of Pardon

Chris Venetis

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

#188 [GTG] Jesus Loves Me!

***Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.***

++PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Chris Venetis

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

Be Still and Know

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Ms. Megan

GRADUATION RECOGNITION

Megan Higle

Asa Harvey

NEW MEMBERS

Rev. Stan Jenkins

Lexy Koopman

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Chris Venetis

Holy, Holy, Holy One,
guide us by the Spirit of truth
to hear the Word of life you speak,
and to give all glory, honor, and praise
to your threefold name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalms 81:1-10

Chris Venetis

¹Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

²Raise a song, sound the tambourine, the sweet lyre with the harp.

³Blow the trumpet at the new moon, at the full moon, on our festal day.

⁴For it is a statute for Israel, an ordinance of the God of Jacob.

⁵He made it a decree in Joseph, when he went out over the land of Egypt. I hear a voice I had not known:

⁶"I relieved your shoulder of the burden; your hands were freed from the basket.

⁷In distress you called, and I rescued you; I answered you in the secret place of thunder; I tested you at the waters of Meribah. Selah

⁸Hear, O my people, while I admonish you; O Israel, if you would but listen to me!

⁹There shall be no strange god among you; you shall not bow down to a foreign god.

¹⁰I am the LORD your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide and I will fill it.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Erin Schor, flute

GOSPEL READING

Mark 2:23-3:6

Rev. Stanley Jenkins

²³One sabbath he was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ²⁵And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." ²⁷Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

³Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." ⁴Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

Sermon

Rev. Stanley Jenkins

++Hymn #377 [GTG]

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

The author-composer of this unrhymed hymn (Kathleen Thomerson) regards it as a mediation and prayer deeply rooted in many scriptures, most connected with the theme of light: Genesis 1:17; Psalm 139:12; Isaiah 60:19; Malachi 4:2; John 14:8; Ephesians 5:8; Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 John 1:5; Revelation 21:23.

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

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

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

Sanctus (**Sung in unison**) #565[GTG] *Holy, Holy, Holy*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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

The Mystery of Faith (**unison**)

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

Pastor: Invocation of Holy Spirit

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.

Pastor: Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Responsive Prayer after the Supper

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

Offering

++ 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

++HYMN #722 [GTG] Lord, Speak to Me that I May Speak

Two great truths inform this text: first, that the testimony of experience is powerful and persuasive; and second, that no one should venture to minister on one's own strength rather than God's. The tune reflects a 19th-century practice of adapting piano pieces as hymn tunes.

BENEDICTION

BLEST BE THE TIE 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

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MORE LIGHT
PRESBYTERIANS



INFORMATION FOR THE DAY

Participants in this morning's service:

Liturgist	Chris Venetis
Organist/Pianist	Sergei Kvitko
Choral/Music Director	Megan Higle
Pastor	Rev. Stanley Jenkins

Concerns of the congregation:

In care facilities: Jean Dietrich (Story Point of Grand Ledge)
Dianne Rector (Rosewood Adult Foster Care- DeWitt)

FLOWERS TODAY are in honor of the 59th anniversary of Del and Dianne Rector.

HEARING ASSISTANCE (The devices have been recently checked and they DO work!) **LARGE PRINT AND BRAILLE BULLETINS** (If you would like a Braille bulletin, please let the church office know ahead of time.) We also have **CUSHIONS** available if you find the pews uncomfortable! Please see one of the ushers if any of these aids to worship will enhance your participation in the service.

FLOWER CHART There are many dates available on the chart to celebrate special days in our church family. The new 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 for use when we don't have a fresh arrangement scheduled, please see Judy Whitman. Thank you! -
Worship Committee.

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THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, June 2

10:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Morning Worship - Sanctuary

Victory in Jesus Ministries Worship – Chapel

Monday, June 3

9:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

5:30 p.m.

GIL Class

Staff Meeting - Library

Yoga – Yoga Room

Tuesday, June 4

9:00 a.m.

5:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

GIL Class

Worship Committee – Library

Glen Erin Pipe Band – Litten Hall

Capital City Chordsmen rehearsal – Chapel

Mid-MI Photo Club Officers – Library

Wednesday, June 5

9:00 a.m.

2:30 p.m.

4:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

GIL Class

Building & Grounds – Library

Lectionary Bible Study – Zoom

Yoga – Yoga Room

Deacons meeting – Library

Thursday, June 6

9:00 a.m.

9.5:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

GIL Class

NWI Food Distribution – Litten Hall

Victory in Jesus Ministries– Library

Friday, June 7

5:30 p.m.

Yoga – Yoga Room

Saturday, June 8

Sunday, June 9

10:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Morning Worship - Sanctuary

Victory in Jesus Ministries Worship - Chapel

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

Church Orientation will be after service today in the parlor. If you have questions or just want to learn more about Lansing First Pres. this is for YOU. We will discuss what it means to be a Presbyterian and what it means to be a friend or member at Lansing First Pres. Bring your questions and any ideas.

Join Greater Lansing Area Moms Demand Action on **June 8, noon-3 at Everett High School** Football field in Lansing to honor victims of gun violence, support survivors and celebrate those who work to end gun violence. Rev. Stan will provide the opening invocation.

10th Annual Hope in One Golf Outing, Aug. 7, Groesbeck Country Club.

This is a special year and North Westminister Presbyterian Church is recognizing those who have been a part of the golf event for 8 or 9 years. LFPC is one of them. Donors have contributed over \$50,000 for the missions of Advent House and North Westminister Presbyterian. LFPC will be highlighted in the event program and in announcements.

Reminder: The annual per capita payment to the Lake Michigan Presbytery this year is \$40.05. That means every member should pay that amount. The check can go to the church with a note of per capita.

Lugnut church outing on June 14. The game is 7:05 p.m. and tickets are \$12. Anyone can sign up through Rich Blankenship by email, text or in person on Sundays.

LINK NEWS - Northeast/DeWitt & All Points North Link

We will share lunch and conversation every third **Saturday** of the month at 1 p.m. On **June 15** we will meet at Boston's Restaurant and Sports Bar at 3301 Centre Blvd: Lansing. Contact Pat Eenigenburg.

South Lansing Link meets the second Sunday after worship. Check with Prince Solace and Bethanne Jenks for plans!

ADULT FORUM

Returns in September.

See you in then!
