



FOR YOU WERE ONCE DARKNESS, BUT  
NOW YOU ARE LIGHT IN THE LORD

EPHESIANS 5:8

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January 31, 2021

# THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

## AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PLYMOUTH, MI

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Emily Riley Campbell

MUSICAL CALL TO PRAYER:

*"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"*

Geff Phillips

(First time: Solo by Geff Phillips Repeats: Congregation joins Geff Phillips in singing through twice.)

OPENING PRAYER OF PRAISE & CONFESSION

Ashley S. Ashley

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:14-16

Ashley S. Ashley

A MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Darlene Maginley

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 5:8-10

Ashley S. Ashley

THIRD SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 4:5-7

Ashley S. Ashley

SERMON

**"Being a Light"**

Rev. Emily Riley Campbell

MUSICAL RESPONSE

*"Here I Am to Worship"*

Geff Phillips

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING, DEDICATION & INTERCESSION AND THE 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.**

BENEDICTION & BLESSING

Rev. Campbell

### **Our Annual Congregational Meeting**

is scheduled for February 7, 2021 at 10:40 a.m.  
in the church parking lot  
Immediately following the service.

Business to be conducted includes approving  
the Terms of Call for Reverend Emily Campbell  
and Ashley Ashley  
and electing the Nominating Committee.

Proposed Members for the  
Nominating Committee are:

Kris Black  
Barbara Bullotta  
Susan Hagen  
Doug Kee  
Steve Marulis  
Cathy McKinstry  
Sandy Dodge

### **Thursday Evening Prayer and Devotions -**

#### **February "1-2-3"**

Friends, we will meet the first three  
Thursday evenings in February for a  
time of prayer and devotions.

We will meet February 4, 11 and 18  
at 8:30 p.m.

To remember, just think of "1-2-3" !!

Here's the Zoom link,  
we hope you can join:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82201558529>

Our **Parking Lot Volunteers** today are: Kris Black, Denny Devine, Dixie Fee, Ervin Miller,  
Paul Schmidt and Tom & Jane Weaver

## HYMN NO. 472    *“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”*

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,  
Look full in his wonderful face;  
And the things of the earth will grow strangely dim  
In the light of his glory and grace.

### **Here I Am to Worship**

Light of the world You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore you  
Hope of a life spent with You

So here I am to worship here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that you're my God  
And you're altogether lovely altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly you came to the earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross

So here I am to worship here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
And you're altogether lovely altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me.

### **February 2021 Worship Schedule**

#### **February 7 - “A Commercial Break—Part 1”**

Rev. Hovermale preaching; Music by the Chancel Choir

#### **February 14 - “A Commercial Break—Part 2”**

Ashley S. Ashley preaching; Music duet by Cindy Jones and Peggy McKinley

#### **February 17 - “A Fragile Life” Ash Wednesday Service with Communion**

Rev. Campbell preaching

#### **February 21 - “I Am” First Sunday in Lent**

Rev. Campbell preaching; Music by Geff Phillips

#### **February 28 - “I Am the Gate” Second Sunday in Lent**

Ashley S. Ashley preaching; Music by the Joyful Ringers

## Did You Know? Building and Grounds Phase II HVAC Replacement Has Begun

Phase I of the HVAC project was the replacement of our failing 65-year-old boiler system and Phase II of the HVAC project is the replacement of our outdated, inefficient, and failing individual HVAC units that are scattered throughout the building. A building built in phases over the past 90 years poses unique challenges for conventional 21<sup>st</sup> century HVAC installations and FPCP is certainly no exception. Buildings constructed in the 1930's were not designed for air conditioning.

This was not a simple swap out of equipment. Our goal was to improve the overall comfort level throughout the building by improving air flow, right sizing capacity, selecting higher energy efficiency units, standardizing equipment and unifying multiple separate standalone HVAC systems to function under one energy management system.

In early 2020 Session approved the project to replace the remaining HVAC units (mostly cooling) in the church. Qualified contractors were invited to bid and in November of 2020 Temperature Control Services (TCS) was awarded the contract. There was a 12-week lead time on delivery of some of the units and during that time TCS has taken advantage of the good weather, removed the old units, and consulted with a structural engineer to determine the safe roof loading limits for the HVAC units that will be mounted on the roof.

The installation of the new equipment has begun. The work schedule calls for starting in the old part of the building and working towards the educational wing. Currently, the contractor is working on installing the HVAC units that serve the Sanctuary, Dining Room, Fellowship Hall, Rm 022, Rm 023 Meeting Room, Rm 123 Library, Rm 124 Hearth room, Rm 122 Publication office and Rm 218 Associate Minister office. The current estimated time for completion of this work is June 2021.



# Prayer Concerns

Please pray for the following church members and friends who are in special circumstances. In the listings below members' names will be printed in bold type. The names of family & friends will be printed in italic. Questions or concerns about the prayer list should be directed to [prayerlist@fpcp.net](mailto:prayerlist@fpcp.net). Names are only left in the bulletin for one month unless you call again or the office is aware of the circumstances.

## Members

**Joanne Cole**      **Don Dodge**  
**Sally Evans**     **Russ Hazen**  
**Gwyn Jones**     **Vic Rizzo**  
**Veralou Scott**   **Neil & Ingrid Sendelbach**  
**Sterling Shephard**

## Members In Assisted Living

**Joyce Holmes**     **Barbara Mason**  
**Don Morgan**      **Lila & Doug Vincent**

## Members Receiving Long-term Care

**Cynthia Alexander**     **Meera Martin**  
**Nancy Morman**

## Family & Friends of Members

*Hussein Latif, Malawi Partnership Coordinator*  
*Elaine, mother of Gretchen Andridge*  
*Reg Kuo, son of Tom & Sue Kage*  
*Richard Hubbard, father of Heidi Herr*  
*Elizabeth Andree, grandmother of Crystal Qualkenbush*  
**Rachel Machnacki's** uncle *Andreas*.  
*Jaxson Kujawski, great grandson of Bev Bonser*  
*Bud "Dewey" Burke, friend of Rich & Dawn Rej*  
*Bill Hailey, friend of Rich Rej*  
*Carrie Siivola, granddaughter of Louise Tracey*  
*Lauren Budesky, granddaughter of Veralou Scott*  
*James Steele, grandson of Veralou Scott*  
*Donna Corey, sister-in-law of Kay Bruner*  
*Kim Strube Scartelli, daughter of Jan Strube*  
*Dana Alper, niece of Elizabeth Detter*  
*Dennis Dodge, brother of Dorothy Simescu & Stu Dodge*  
*Adriana Sandoval Villalobos, friend of Carol Dobos*

## Praise & Thanksgiving

Thank you for the prayers and concern for **Neil Sendelbach**—his recent surgery went well and he hopes to be home soon.

## Our Sympathies

- To **Pam Mincher** and family, whose husband, **Mike Mincher**, passed away on January 23, 2021.
- To **Bill & Joanne Cole**, whose sister-in-law, *Maxine Cole*, passed away on January 10, 2021.
- To **Bill & Joanne Cole**, whose brother, (*Maxine's* husband) *Howard Cole*, passed away on January 16, 2021.
- To **Kurt Wilder**, whose mother, *Dr. Sarah Wilder*, passed away on January 17, 2021
- To **Roy Gran**, whose father, *Alexander "Alex" Gran*, passed away on January 17, 2021
- To the family of **Carol Packard**, who passed away on January 3, 2020.
- To **Darlene Maginley** and family, whose brother-in-law, *Charles Archer*, passed away on December 28, 2020.
- To *Rev. Chris & Karen Heiss*, friends of **Sterling Shephard**, who lost their son Chris, on January 10, 2021.

*The floral arrangements contributed for Sunday, January 31,  
are dedicated to the glory of God and...*

- ♦ In loving memory of my mother, Myra Miller Hoetker, whose birthday is January 24,  
by Jan Strube.



## Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent with a public act of confession and contrition. Acknowledging that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God, we stand in solidarity as fellow creatures before our Creator, acutely aware of our mortality. In the face of our transience, we pledge ourselves anew to live unto God's Word in Jesus Christ, the eternal Word that remains forever.

Historically, Ash Wednesday was a time when penitents were presented for church discipline during Lent, culminating in reconciliation on Maundy Thursday. Ash Wednesday is also the occasion when would-be disciples of Christ known as catechumens were enrolled in the catechumenate, a special time of learning the basics of the faith in preparation for baptism on Easter Sunday or during the Easter Vigil. In some traditions, Ash Wednesday is a fast day, beginning the Lenten time of fasting and preparation for the Great Three Days that culminate in Easter.

### A time to turn

An excerpt from the [Companion to the Book of Common Worship](#) (Geneva Press, 2003, 109-110)

The Lenten journey from the ashes of death to resurrected life begins on the first day of Lent, Ash Wednesday, which signifies a time to turn around, to change directions, to repent. This first day of Lent reminds us that unless we are willing to die to our old selves, we cannot be raised to new life with Christ. The first step of this journey calls us to acknowledge and confront our mortality, individually and corporately. In many traditions, this is symbolized through the imposition of ashes — placing a cross on one's forehead. During the imposition of ashes the words: "You are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Genesis 3:19) are repeated again and again. We are to remember that we are but temporary creatures, always on the edge of death. On Ash Wednesday, we begin our Lenten trek through the desert toward Easter.

Ashes on the forehead is a sign of our humanity and a reminder of our mortality. Lent is not a matter of being good, and wearing ashes is not to show off one's faith. The ashes are a reminder to us and our communities of our finite creatureliness. The ashes we wear on our Lenten journey symbolize the dust and broken debris of our lives as well as the reality that eventually each of us will die.

Trusting in the "accomplished fact" of Christ's resurrection, however, we listen for the Word of God in the time-honored stories of the church's Lenten journey. We follow Jesus into the wilderness, resist temptation, fast, and proceed "on the way" to Jerusalem and the cross. Our Lenten journey is one of *metanoia* ("turning around"), of changing directions from self-serving toward the self-giving way of the cross.

<https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/christianyear/ash-wednesday/>

A photograph of a lighthouse at night. The lighthouse is dark, with a person standing in the brightly lit doorway at the base. The sky is filled with stars, and the Milky Way galaxy is visible, arching across the upper right portion of the frame. The overall scene is dark and atmospheric, with the light from the doorway and the stars providing the primary illumination.

For you were once darkness, but  
now you are light in the Lord.  
Live as children of light...

Ephesians 5:8

# This Week at Our Church

## Sunday, January 31

9:30am Online Church Service ([www.fpcp.net/resources/sermons](http://www.fpcp.net/resources/sermons))

10:30am Confirmation Class

12:00pm High School Youth Group

5:30pm Continuing the Word Bible Study

7:00pm Listening to Jesus: Responding in Faith Bible Study

## Monday, February 1

7:00pm Building & Grounds Committee Meeting

7:00 pm Human Resources Committee Meeting

7:30 pm Worship Committee Meeting

## Tuesday, February 2

9:30am Staff Prayer/Meeting

7:00pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study

## Wednesday, February 3

7:30am Early Word Bible Study

9:30am Women of the Word Bible Studies

10:00am Women of the Word Bible Studies

12:00 pm Lunch and a Book Group

6:30pm Middle School Youth Group

7:00pm Joyful Ringers Rehearsal

## Thursday, February 4

8:30pm Thursday Evening Prayer and Devotions (zoom)

## Saturday, February 6

8:00am Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study

## Sunday, February 7 - Communion, Annual Meeting

9:30am Online Church Service ([www.fpcp.net/resources/sermons](http://www.fpcp.net/resources/sermons))

Looking ahead... <http://fpcp.net/connect/church-calendar>

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*We are a family of faith, called to celebrate God's message of love and forgiveness in Jesus Christ. Guided by the living Word of God, we nurture one another through worship, prayer, teaching and fellowship. Led by the Holy Spirit, we reach out with hearts and hands to those in need, seeking to inspire hope in an ever-changing community and world.*  
(FPCP Vision Statement)

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