

Our Mission: We Are Growing in Faith

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.

September 20, 2026

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

9:30AM SANCTUARY SERVICE

PRELUDE

"Aria"

D. Moore

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Ashley S. Ashley

(Members and Visitors, please sign and pass our friendship pads which are located in the book rack of your pew.)

OPENING PRAYER

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 561

"Christ for the World! We Sing"

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ANTHEM

"Petition of Praise"

J. Martin

The Chancel Choir

A BLESSING FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

Rev. Ashley & Friends

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Emily Riley Campbell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

**Gracious God, we confess that we sometimes believe we have learned enough, grown enough, or have little left to discover. We become comfortable in what we know and resistant to the ways you are still calling us to grow. We confess, too, that we sometimes try to follow you on our own, forgetting that you have given us one another to teach, encourage, challenge, and support us. Open our hearts to new possibilities. Give us humility to learn, courage to ask questions, and grace to grow alongside one another.
(Silence kept for personal confession.)**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 349

"Seek Ye First"

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you; Allelu, Alleluia! Ask, and it shall be given unto you, seek and ye shall find, knock, and the door shall be opened unto you; Allelu, Alleluia!

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 4:11-16

Rev. Campbell

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE 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 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.

CALL TO OFFERING

Rev. Campbell

OFFERTORY

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Arr. D. Wagner

*DOXOLOGY NO. 34

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Campbell

*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 462 *"Renew your Church"*

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SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:7-14

Rev. Ashley

SERMON

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A CELEBRATION OF GROWING IN FAITH

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*CLOSING HYMN NO. 580 *"We Are Called To Be God's People"*

*BENEDICTION & BLESSING

Rev. Ashley

POSTLUDE

"Allegretto"

P. Socal

*All who are able are invited to stand +++Please be seated

Reminder: Sunday School begins today!

If you require LARGE PRINT Bibles or Hymn Pages,
please request one from your ushers.

Sanctuary Ushers: Carol Dobos, Otto Dobos, Lisa Benages & Frank Benages

Upper Room Service Ushers: Marjorie Silvis & Janet Sibbold

Deacons of the Day: Audrey Williams & Sandy Marulis

Thank you to the Sanctuary & Upper Room Tech Team members!

This Week's Flower Arrangements are Given to the Glory of God and...

- In loving memory of my grandparents Helen Jenkinson and Carl & Marie Schmalzried by Brenda Schmalzried.
- In loving memory of the life of Sharon Leanhardt by her husband Dale and her two children, Aaron and Wendi.
- In celebration of our 70 th wedding anniversary on September 22 from Alice & Larry Mishler.

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

11:15AM UPPER ROOM SERVICE

CALL TO WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Ashley S. Ashley

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Ashley

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Ashley

OPENING SONGS

"Sing Over Your Children"
"Goodness of God"

Johannes Stauffer

WORD & RESPONSE

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 4:11-16

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A CELEBRATION OF GROWING IN FAITH

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OFFERTORY

CALL TO OFFERING

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OFFERING SONG

"Build My Life"

Johannes Stauffer

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev. Campbell

WORD & TEACHING

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:7-14

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OUR RESPONSE

CLOSING SONG

"Open Up"

Johannes Stauffer

BENEDICTON & BLESSING

Rev. Ashley

Prayer Concerns

Questions or concerns about the prayer list should be directed to prayerlist@fpcp.net. Or you can fill out a google form at <https://forms.gle/XFBE7jivuP7gWCdG7>

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, family & friends will be printed in italic. Names are only left in the bulletin for one month unless you call again or the office is aware of the circumstances.

Family & Friends of Members

Sharon Burge, family friend of **Rev. Ashley S. Ashley**
Scott, son of **Tom and Kathy Weber**
Luke (son) and Nicole (mom), friends of **Julie Heasley**
Janet Terrill, sister in law of **Bev Girard**
Kim Curran, daughter of **Betty Curran**
Olga Steiner, sister of **Doreen Myernick**
Carol Amato, cousin of **Jackie Fenton**
Cathy Haddad, friend of **Sarah Romero**
Daniel, nephew of **Pam Howard**
Carol Patterson, loved one of **Diana Markley**
Jim Bernard Sr. father of **Jim Bernard**
Chad Terrill, nephew of **Bev Girard**
John Pulker, friend of **John and Beth Stewart**
Mike Kwiatkowski, friend of **Frank & Lisa Benages**
Cheryl Craig, mother of **Laura Craig**
John and Catherine Robertson, dear friends of **Debra MacGregor**
Sam and Donna Kountoupes, brother and sister-in-law of **Kiki Farrow**
DJ, foster son of **Peggy and Jerry Kmiecik**
Steve, cousin of **Ginny Weaver**
Nancy Clappison, mother of **Tami Rager**

Friends & Family of Members Requesting On-Going Prayers

David Raub, brother of **Carol Dobos**
David Krajovic, friend of **Kurt Wilder**
Louis Allen, friend of **Kurt Wilder**
Dennis Dodge, brother of **Stu Dodge and Dorothy Simescu**
Cindy Cane, aunt of **Rev. Ashley**
Christy Renshaw, cousin of **Rev. Ashley**
Drew Kryscynski, nephew of **Cheryl Early**
Jeff Palazetti, neighbor of **Tom & Sue Kage**
Diane Huhn, sister of **Sue (Tom) Kage**
TJ Hanson, cousin of **Melissa and Kevin Henderson**

Members

Don Bruner
Sally Evans
Gwyn Jones
Jackie Fenton
Sarah Romero
Beth Hazen
Lisa Benages
Marjorie Silvis
Frank Benages
Ray Maloni
Sue Grant
Mayumi Sockolosky
Shirley Cashero
Ron Moon
Lou Maceratini
Brooke Petty
Anne and Larry Grass
Hannah Campbell
Greg Ladley
Beverly Dodge
Jim Stoner
Sue Evans
Elaine Hovey
Julie Heasley
Bill Cole
Amanda Dobos Frye
Carol Kavalhuna
Nancy Sullivan
Russ Hazen
Pat Wright
Neil & Ingrid Sendelbach

Active Military

- Wyatt Petty, son of Chip & Lisa Petty - Private in the Army National Guard
- Samuel Wolf, son of Andrew & Jennifer Wolf, deployed on the USS Nimitz

Sympathy

- Our prayers and sympathy to the family of **Susan Y. Isbister** who passed on August 15, 2026. There will be a funeral on Friday, September 25, 2026 at 2pm at Plymouth Vermeulen Funeral Home.
- Our prayers and sympathy to the family of **Anne E. Sellers** who passed away on August 15, 2026.
- Our prayers and sympathy to Janelle Hansen and family at the passing of her father, Robert Peterson, on Sunday August 30th, 2026.

Praise and Thanksgiving

- **Gary and Gail Linerode** are grateful to be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary this past Thursday. September 17, 2026. We have had many adventures in life.



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Elementary, Middle School and High School students are invited to participate in this year's Christmas pageant. The pageant is Dec 13th at 9:30am in the sanctuary.

Christmas pageant practices will be at 11:00am-12pm in the sanctuary on Sept 27th, Oct 4th, 11th, Nov 1st, 15th and 29th and Dec 6th.

If your student is interested in participating or would like more information please contact Laura Craig, lauracraig@fpcp.net. We hope you will join us for the pageant this year!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TRUNK OR TREAT

Looking for volunteers who would like to host a trunk for Trunk or Treat on October 11th, 3-4:30pm.

You would decorate your trunk and pass out candy. If you cannot help, I am also looking for candy donations starting, Sept 20th. There will be a bin in the narthex. If you are interested please contact, Laura Craig. lauracraig@fpcp.net or call 734.453.6464, ext 110

This Week at First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth

Sunday, September 20

- 9:00am Chancel Choir Warm-Up (#231 - Upper Room)
- 9:30am Sunday School (#134 Classroom)
- 9:30am Sanctuary Service (#129 Sanctuary)
- 11:15am Upper Room Service (#231 - Upper Room)
- 6:00pm FPCP Youth Meeting & Dinner (Youth Room, Fellowship Hall, Kitchen & Dining Room)
- 7:00pm Listening to Jesus Responding in Faith Bible Study (Zoom only)

Monday, September 21

- 10:00am Park Bench AA Meeting (#41 Classroom)
- 5:30pm New Elder Session Orientation (Dining Room & Kitchen)
- 7:00pm Session Meeting (Calvin Room & Zoom)

Tuesday, September 22

- 10:00am Park Bench AA Meeting (#41 Classroom)
- 11:00am Staff Meeting (#124 - Hearth Room)
- 2:30pm Zoom Chair Yoga with Sharon Holcomb (Zoom only)
- 5:00pm Zoom Yoga For A Safe, Strong Back with Sharon Holcomb (Zoom only)

Wednesday, September 23

- 7:45am Early Word Bible Study (Zoom only)
- 10:00am Women of the Word Bible Study (#124 Hearth, Library, Chapel & Zoom)
- 10:00am Park Bench AA Meeting (#41 Classroom)
- 7:00pm Joyful Ringers Rehearsal (#137 Bell Room)

Thursday, September 24

- 10:00am Park Bench AA Meeting (#41 Classroom)
- 7:30pm Thursday Night AA Meeting (#28 Dining Room)
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (#231 - Upper Room)

Friday, September 25

- 10:00am Park Bench AA Meeting (#41 Classroom)



FPCP COMMUNITY MINISTRIES & MISSION OUTREACH

Our Community

Alcoholics Anonymous
 American Red Cross
 Benevolence Fund
 Comfort Care Kits
 College Student Gift Cards
 FPCP Earth Care Ministries
 Kids Hope USA
 Plymouth Salvation Army
 Adopt-an-Angel/Gift Tree
 Bell Ringing
 Keep it Clean Drive
 Handyman Services
 FPCP Matching
 Scholarship, for Mission Trip Attendees
 Prayer Quilts and Shawls
 Presbyterian Thrift Shop
 Suppers of Support

Our Surrounding Area

Calvin East
 Cass Community Social Services
 Crossroads
 Faith Communities Coalition
 Fosterv Children
 First Step - Domestic Violence Shelter
 & ARK - Animals Receiving
 Kindness

Our Surrounding Area

Fort Street Open Door
 Financial Assistance
 Hope Clinic
 Northville Civic Concern
 Presbyterian Women Faith Goal
 Second Mile Center

Presbyterian Colleges and

Seminaries

Princeton Seminary

Rev. Phil Magee Endowment

Our Nation

Youth Haven, Jackson, MI
 Supporting our Presbyterian Church
 (USA) Connectional Ministry through
 our Per Capita Budget to these
 governing bodies:
 Detroit Presbytery
 Synod of the Covenant
 General Assembly Causes
 Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
 Synod of the Covenant
 General Assembly Causes
 Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Our World

Church World Services
 Colina de Luz Orphanage, Mexico
 Compassion International
 Sponsoring Children
 Marion Medical Mission, Malawi, Africa
 Mtenthera CCAP, Malawi Africa
 (Our Sister Church in Malawi)
 Girl's Dormitory
 PC(USA) Hunger Ministries
 One Great Hour of Sharing
 Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
 Veritas College, Malawi, Africa

Presbyterian Thrift Shop
 331 North Main Street
 734-459-1250

Tuesday 10 AM- 2 PM
 Thursday 10 AM-2 PM
 Wednesday 6 PM- 8 PM
 (March-December)
 Saturday 10 AM - 3 PM

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