

*The flowers in the chancel are given
to the glory of God
in loving memory of Harley R. Pfeiffer
by Marie Pfeiffer and family*

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Participants: Geneva Choir
Maryanne Beery, Dir. of Music
Mike D'Oyly, Organist

Greeters:

Clinton Street: 9:00 Ray & Barb Nelson
10:30 Burton & Brianne Taylor

Franklin Street: 9:00 Phyllis Papanoli
10:30 David & Mary Thomsen

Gathering Area: 9:00 Sue Roper
10:30 Scott & Lisa Wagasky

Liturgists: 9:00 Brittany Jullie
10:30 Atalie Bouwman

Usher Teams: Roy Lindberg, Head Usher

Nursery: Lauren Benes

Sound: Curtis Benaway

Thank you cookie bakers: Anne Guimond, Sarah Hochhuth, Nancy Purcell, Lisa Ribbe, Chris Saddler, Lisa Styck, Mary Thomsen, Kim VanWingen, Cheryl Wabeke, Colleen Warner, Linda Wibalda and Becky Yonan

CONCERNING OUR CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS . . .

Our Sympathy:
...to Tom and Carol Brown and Jon and Barb Tasker on the death of Tom and Barb's mother, Hilda Brown, on February 1, 2010.

...and to the family of Jonas Saunders, who passed away on January 30, 2010.

Prayer Concerns: Nancy Braak, Mary Hendon, Sandie Knes, Catherine Stephenson and Butch Willey

Continuing Prayers for: Cathleen Pranger, Ruth Ricks, Bill Roper and Mary Vivian

ANNOUNCEMENTS . . .

Shrove Tuesday is February 16. Tickets are on sale in the lounge today and are only \$3 per person or \$8 per family for a delicious pancake dinner and entertainment!

Good Sense Program provides solid, biblically based teaching and practical, easy-to-use tools for developing healthy financial habits. The program is scheduled for February 23 and March 2. If you are interested in attending, please call or sign up in the church office.

"Parables, Stories for Life in God's World" is a new Adult Education class that will begin on Sunday, March 7. The class will run for 7 Sundays in March and April from 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. in room 17. The class facilitators will be Jane & Tim Stoecker. Come and discover how the Parables as living stories reveal the "Good News" and call us into life of action. A sign-up sheet is at the welcome desk.

We are looking for a volunteer to fill in on Tuesday afternoons in the church office. If you have some time to answer phones, do some light office work and greet guests, we would love to have you! Please contact Karen in the office.

Annual Congregational Meeting

will be held Sunday, February 14 at 10:15 am
in the Sanctuary

2009 Annual Reports are now available for pick-up
at the Welcome Desk in the Gathering area

**2010 Per Capita
\$23.08 per member**

This supports:
General Assembly - \$6.15
Synod of the Covenant - \$3.18
Presbytery of Lake Michigan - \$13.75

Our Per Capital assessment is \$27,696

Please, if you are able, pay your per capita for each member, including confirmed teens, in your family.

Checks can be placed in the offering, marked "per capita" or mailed to the church office.

Thank you for supporting First Presbyterian Church.

*Note: The High School Youth Group,
"Impact," will not meet tonight, February 7*

Event Schedule

Sunday, February 07, 2010

8:15 AM Session
9:00 AM Communion
10:30 AM Breakfast Club
12:00 PM Confirmation Class
7:00 PM ACOA Support Group

Monday, February 08, 2010

9:00 AM Disciple Small Group
12:00 PM PW Circle
3:00 PM Disciple Small Group
6:00 PM Bell Choir
7:00 PM Men's Small Group
7:00 PM Youth Comm.
7:00 PM Stewardship Comm.
7:00 PM Sr. High School Life Group-Girls
7:30 PM A. A.

Tuesday, February 09, 2010

9:30 AM Blind Support Group
5:30 PM Joyful Noise Comm.
5:45 PM Fellowship Comm.
7:00 PM Worship Comm.
7:00 PM Boy Scout Meeting
7:00 PM Sr. High Life Group-Guys
7:00 PM Boy Scouts
Wednesday, February 10, 2010
6:00 PM Aftershock Leaders' Mtg.
6:00 PM Middle School Instrumental Ensemble
7:00 PM Aftershock
7:00 PM Choir Practice

Thursday, February 11, 2010

7:30 AM Trustees
9:30 AM Women's Small Group
6:30 PM Bingo @ Sanctuary by the Shore
7:00 PM The Gathering Team

Friday, February 12, 2010

10:30 AM D.C. Gathering
10:30 AM Busy Moms Bible Study

Sunday, February 14, 2010

10:30 AM Congregational Meeting
10:30 AM Breakfast Club
12:00 PM Confirmation Class
4:00 PM Game Night
7:00 PM ACOA Support Group
7:00 PM IMPACT - Sr. High

Monday, February 15, 2010

9:00 AM Disciple Small Group
3:00 PM Disciple Small Group
5:00 PM Mission Committee
6:00 PM Bell Choir
6:30 PM Children's Min. Comm.
7:00 PM Men's Small Group
7:00 PM Great Books
7:00 PM Sr. High School Life Group-Girls
7:00 PM Youth Culture 101
7:30 PM A. A.
7:30 PM Banjo Club practice

Rev. Tom Cook, Pastor Head of Staff

Rev. Rick Campbell, Interim Associate Pastor

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Our Vision

*We are called to celebrate God's grace as a
Christ-centered community of acceptance, growing in
faith and living as Christ's hands to serve.*

First Presbyterian Church

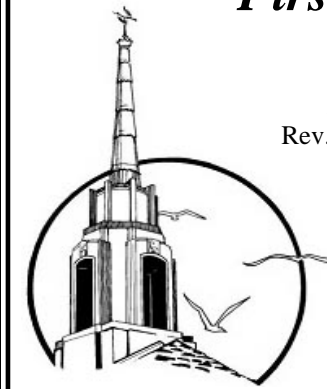
Grand Haven, Michigan

Rev. Tom Cook, Pastor Head of Staff
Rev. Rick Campbell, Interim Associate Pastor
Patricia Locke, Associate Pastor

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 7, 2010

9:00 a.m.



**Meditation to Prepare Our Hearts
and Minds for Worship**

*Job, seeking to understand the mystery of suffering,
argued with God and with his 'comforters': "Then
the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind: 'Where
were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell
me, if you have understanding... shall a faultfinder
contend with the Almighty?... Will you even put me in
the wrong... that you may be justified?...' Then Job
answered the Lord, 'I have uttered what I did not
understand... I had heard of thee by the hearing of
the ear, but now my eye sees thee; therefore I despise
myself and repent...'"*

Job 38-40 (selections)

Please silence all cell phones.

PRELUDE — Prelude and Fugue in e minor

J.S. Bach

A TIME OF GREETING

**A gracious welcome to all members and guests!
In order for you to be aware of members and guests
seated around you, please take a moment to sign the
Act of Friendship pad and pass it to your neighbor.**

Note to those wearing hearing aids with T-coil option:
The main sanctuary seating area is equipped with
an induction loop system.

INTROIT

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 46, selections)

Minister: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its
waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its
tumult.**

Minister: God says, “Be still and know that I am God! I am exalted among
the nations. I am exalted in the earth.”

People: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Minister: Let us worship the God who rebuilds our lives into a new normal.

*HYMN #262—*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION—(followed by silent confessions)*

**God of the cosmos, God of our salvation, we are taken aback by
the devastations caused by the shifting earth, by the whirling wind, by
the rising oceans and we turn to you in wonder. Why would something
like an earthquake happen? Worse yet, we ask, how could you, who are
Sovereign over all, allow anything like this to destroy the lives of so many
innocent souls? We even wonder if you cause such horrible events in
history. We question your intentions. We wonder if you really care. Some
of us may even turn away from you. Lord, forgive us, for our wisdom is
foolishness to you, and what seems like foolishness to us is wisdom to
you. Help us Lord, to become better citizens in your kingdom and to
respond in ways that are responsible to your Son’s cross. In Jesus’ name
we pray this and these our silent prayers...**

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE—Kyrie

Lord have mercy upon us;

Christ have mercy upon us;

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*PROCLAMATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Hear this good news! The Lord, who calls us to communion, pours
the Holy Spirit into our hearts to reconcile us in mercy and renew
us in love.

**People: In the assurance of God’s forgiveness in Christ, we celebrate
God’s grace with thankful praise and joy.**

Leader: Friends: Believe the good news of the gospel!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.**

PROCLAIMING

MESSAGE TO THE CHILDREN

Patricia Locke

Children 5 years thru 2nd grade excused for class at this time

Children grades 3-5 remain in worship for Communion

SCRIPTURE READING—Romans 8:18-25

pp. 1118-1119 pew Bible

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON:

Does God Cause Earthquakes?

The Rev. Tom Cook

PRAYER

RESPONDING

RESPONSIVE HYMN #260—*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM—*Let Us Break Bread Together - Spiritual*

arr. by Raymond H. Haan

*DOXOLOGY

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

*APOSTLES’ CREED

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and
in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy
Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose
again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right
hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion
of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting. Amen**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

**Congregational Pledge: We welcome you with joy as partners in the
common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers
as we share the hopes and labors of the church of Jesus Christ. God
grant that together we may continue to grow in God’s knowledge and
love, and be witnesses of our risen Lord, living as Christ’s hands to serve.**

Welcome! New Members:

Benjamin & Kristen Bur-
13538 152nd Avenue
Grand Haven, MI 49417
Owen, 1

Dan Coulier
15267 Krueger
Spring Lake, MI 49456
Dakota 15, Dahlia 12, Dan-

Marc Felt
611 Fall Street
Spring Lake, MI 49456

Darlene Ford
17485 Reenders Ct.
Grand Haven, MI 49417

Mark & Michelle Hass
333 Cottage Lane, Unit 101
Grand Haven, MI 49417
Brendan, 4 months

Bill & Shelley Kooistra
437 Slayton Avenue
Grand Haven, MI 49417
Lindsay 20, Laura 16,

Peter & Penny Morse
309 Barber Street
Spring Lake, MI 49456

John & Cheryl Nametz
15489 Howard Street
Spring Lake, MI 49456

David Rhem & Lori Fox-
15360 Oak Point
Spring Lake, MI 49456

Joe & Andrea Payne
13233 Mulberry Court
Grand Haven, MI 49417
Kaelie 12, Chaille 2

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give thanks and praise.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

CONCLUDING PRAYERS

*CLOSING HYMN—*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.**

*CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

Minister: As we faithfully live our lives in this coming week, what are we
called to do?

**People: We are called to celebrate God’s grace as a Christ-centered
community of acceptance, growing in faith and living as
Christ’s hands to serve.**

*BENEDICTION and CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Let There Be Peace on Earth

POSTLUDE—*Fuga*

Johann Pachelbel

* For those who are able, please stand

WORSHIP CONCLUDES — SERVICE BEGINS!