



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

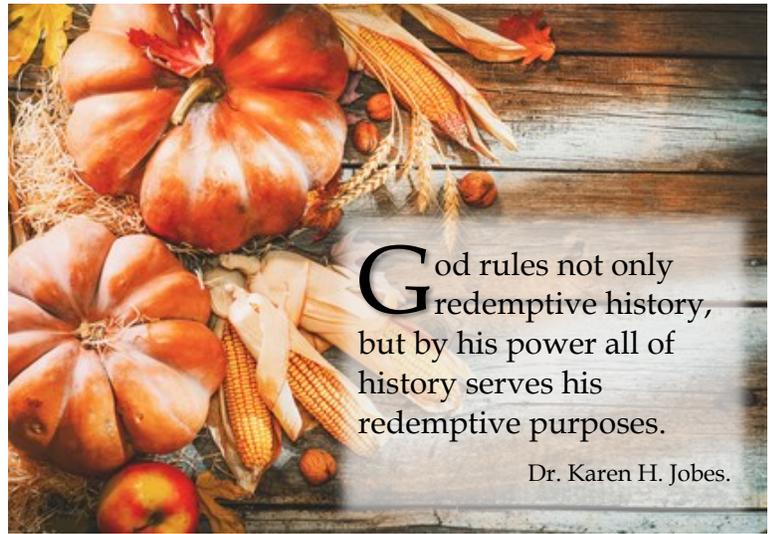
508 FRANKLIN AVENUE, GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN 49417

10:00 a.m.

November 15, 2020

*Prayerful Action Sermon Series*

Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Scott Stanley, Parish Associate  
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God rules not only redemptive history, but by his power all of history serves his redemptive purposes.

Dr. Karen H. Jobes.

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PRELUDE—*Morning Song of Praise*

Sharon Elery Rogers

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT—*Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me*

*Adoro te devote*, arr. K. Lee Scott

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 78)

Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon

One: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**All: We will tell of your glorious deeds, O Lord, and the wonders you have done.**

One: Tell your children and your children's children that they should set their hope in God.

**All: And not forget your works, O God, but keep your commandments.**

One: Let us worship God!

LIGHTING THE CANDLE TOGETHER

OPENING HYMN—*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

Hymn #667

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You bring justice upon us and give us compassion, have mercy upon us as we make our confession. So often what we preach is not what we practice. We ourselves do not bear the burdens we impose on others. We expect commendation for our acts of benevolence; we like others to see us and how well we behave. Titles and honors are worn with pride, sometimes with envy, when others about us seem to be getting ahead. O God, forgive our craving to be exalted; help us to be humble in the knowledge that we live by grace alone.**

*(time for silent confession)*

RESPONSE—*Kyrie*

**Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONSE—*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.**

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Lesson—Psalm 78:1-8

Second Lesson—Esther 10:1-3

\*For those who are able, please stand.

RESPONSIVE HYMN—*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Hymn #475

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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 FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY—*These Three are the Treasures*

words: Colin Hodgetts,  
music: *Song of Lau Tsu*, Colin Hodgetts

\*DOXOLOGY—*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low; Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

\*PRAYER OF THANKS

\*CLOSING HYMN—*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Hymn #65

\*CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

One: As we faithfully live our lives in this coming week, what does God call us to do?

**All: 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*POSTLUDE—*Choral Toccata on "Lasst uns erfreuen"*

R. Evan Copley

## WORSHIP CONCLUDES—SERVICE BEGINS!

*The flowers in the chancel are dedicated to the glory of God  
in loving memory of loved ones, by Lee and Suzie Brink*



### Our Church Family & Friends

**Prayer requests:** Brian Anderson and Joan Tandler, Betty Berg, Mary Lou Bender, Anne Guimond, Marilew Helmers, Stan Johnson, Beth Maschewske, Joe McCrea, Beverly Purcell, Barbara Race, Lisa Stoner, Sandy Teunis, and Cheryl Wilkinson

**Your ongoing generosity with the church is appreciated!** A drop box has been installed between the set of doors at the Clinton Street entrance where you can securely drop off your offering while maintaining "social distancing." You can also mail your offering: 508 Franklin Ave, GH 49417, give online using [onrealm.org](http://onrealm.org) or text **FPGH** to **73256**. We are working hard to keep the church strong, serving, and ready to relaunch as soon as we are able. *Thank you!*



### Called Congregational Meeting, Sunday, November 22, 2020 11:15 a.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect Elders, Deacons and Nominating Committee members-at-large. Our by-laws require a quorum of at least 50 church members to be present. We will not be having in-person worship on November 22nd, so a drive-in meeting is being planned. Please stay tuned for more details from Pastor Troy.

### Worship Leaders:

Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce, Associate Pastor; Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon, Senior Pastor  
Maryanne Beery, Director of Music & Fine Arts; Rob Hlebinsky, Organist  
Voices of the Choir