

First Presbyterian Church
Kingsford, Michigan
Rev. Michael March, Pastor

23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 31, 2021

Greeting: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

Announcements / Opening Prayer

Prelude

*Praise Medley --Insert

*Prayer of Confession:

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, your face is hidden from us by our sins, and we forget your mercy in the blindness of our hearts. Cleanse us from all our offenses and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. With lowliness and meekness may we draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ, your Son.

*Assurance of God's Pardon

***Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise; Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise. He who on the cross as Savior for the world's salvation bled, Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.**

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Prayer for Illumination --Connie Olkkonen

Scripture Reading: Deuteronomy 6:1-9 Page 151, Pew Bible

Responsive Reading: Psalm 119:1-8 Page 512, Pew Bible

Choral Anthem: *Come Before the Lord with Praise*

Sermon Text: Mark 12:28-34 Page 848, Pew Bible

Sermon --Sam and Cayla

*Hymn: *They'll Know We Are Christians*

No. 429

*Creed: The Heidelberg Catechism of 1563 (Q. 4)

L: What does the Law of God require of us?

P: Jesus Christ teaches this in a summary in Matthew: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, you shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets."

INTERCESSIONS & PRAYER CONCERNS:

David Carlson, Kay Lorge, Geri Anderson,
Mary Rushford, Alan Wall, Karyn Daft;
the family of Fran Jamar (*mother of John Jamar*)

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.

*Benediction

*Response:

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me. Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be. With God as our Father, brothers all are we. Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony. Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now. With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow: To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally! Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

*Those who are able, please stand.

CHURCH NOTES

- Today:** 6:00p.m. Sr. High Youth Group
Monday: 5:00p.m. Soup Kitchen (*drive-thru*)
Tuesday: 10:00a.m., 5:15p.m. Bible Study
1:00p.m. Shawl Ministry
Wednesday: 3:30p.m. KID'S CLUB (*4 years old – 4th grade*)
3:30p.m. 5th/6th Grade Youth Group
6:30p.m. Adult Choir (*Fellowship Hall*)
Thursday: 9:30a.m. Sit, Chat, Finish That
4:00p.m. Jr. High Youth Group

Welcome to Sam and Cayla Schaefer as they share how God is at work in their ministry in the Middle East. We support Sam and Cayla with our mission funds. They will be available to talk further with you in the Fireside Room.

Reminder: Set your clocks back one hour next Saturday as daylight saving time ends.

Children's/Youth Christmas Pageant: December 19th

All children 3-years old through high school are invited to participate in the Christmas pageant. Rehearsals will be every Wednesday beginning November 3rd from 5:00–6:00p.m. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the Fireside Room.

Operation Christmas Child: Check out the display next to the bulletin board near the chapel. Boxes are due by November 14th.

Christmas Meal Coordinator(s) Wanted! If you are interested in overseeing the meal prep and cooking on Christmas day, please call the office. We have lots of notes and a simplified meal plan to help things run smoothly.

Sound Board & Live Stream Help: We need one or two people who could help run the sound board or the live stream during the service from time to time. Please call the Church office if you can help share in this ministry.

HOLY SPIRIT

Verse:

There's nothing worth more that could ever come close.
No thing can compare. You're our living hope.
Your presence, Lord

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves
Where my heart becomes free and my shame is undone.
Your presence, Lord

Chorus:

Holy Spirit, you are welcome here.
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere.
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for
To be overcome by your presence, Lord.
Your presence, Lord (*repeat both*)

Bridge:

Let us become more aware of your presence.
Let us experience the glory of your goodness. (*repeat*)

(*Chorus*)

YOU ARE MY ALL IN ALL

You are my strength when I am weak.
You are the treasure that I seek. You are my all in all.
Seeking you as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up,
I'd be a fool. You are my all in all.

Chorus:

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.
Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, rising again,
I bless your name. You are my all in all.
When I fall down, you pick me up. When I am dry,
you fill my cup. You are my all in all. *chorus*