

Prelude
Intermezzo
Canonic Etude in A-Flat Major, Op 56, No. 4

Joseph Rheinberger
Robert Schumann

Greeting
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

* Call to Worship

L: The Spirit of God calls to us,

P: With sighs to deep for words.

L: The Spirit of God calls to us,

P: Claiming us,

L: Summoning us to become more than we now are;

P: Calling us by name; God's children.

* Hymn 1 Holy, Holy, Holy NICAEA

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

P: Eternal God, we confess that we do not expect and long for the transforming power of your love to work miracles in these hard hearts of ours. Yet we secretly long for a rescue, an escape, a miracle, to relieve us of the responsibilities and the challenges you set before us. Healing Spirit, renew our confidence in your power and in the power of love to change our lives, and give us courage to be the fully responsible persons Christ calls us to be.

(Silent Confession)

In your name we pray. Amen.

* Declaration of Forgiveness

* Passing of the Peace

(please extend the Peace of Christ to those around)

Peace be with you. And also with you.

* Response 150 As with Gladness Men of Old DIX

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star be-hold; as with joy they hailed its light,
lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright; so, most gra-cious Lord, may we ev-er-more be led to thee.

Minute for Mission Nicole Cramer

Blessing of the Children

Following the Blessing of the Children, children 5th grade and younger may go to Room 110 for Godly Play.

Hymn 587 Alleluia! CELTIC ALLELUIA

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
A E Bm E A D E A
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson Psalm 147:1-11 Page 507 in Pew Bible

L: Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

P: The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

L: He heals the brokenhearted, and binds up their wounds.

P: He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.

L: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

P: The Lord lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground.

L: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre.

P: He covers the heavens with clouds, prepares rain for the earth, makes grass grow on the hills.

L: He gives to the animals their food, and to the young ravens when they cry.

P: His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the speed of a runner; but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Anthem Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

William Bradley Roberts

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, thine we are.
Early let us seek thy favor, early let us do thy will;
Do thou, Lord, our only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast loved us, love us still.

Second Lesson Mark 9:2-9 Page 820 in Pew Bible

Sermon "Listen to him" Rev. Jessica Myers

* Hymn 814 In God Alone MON ÂME SE REPOSE

In God a-lone my soul can find rest and peace, in
Mon â-me se-re-po-se en paix sur Dieu seul: de
God my peace and joy. On-ly in God my
lui vient mon sa-lut. Oui, sur Dieu seul mon
soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.
â-me se-re-po-se, se-re-po-se en paix.

Offering

Offertory Nimrod Edward Elgar/Pierre Gouin

* Response 156 Sing of God Made Manifest SALZBURG

Sing of God made man-i-fest in a child ro-bust and blest, to whose home in Beth-le-hem
where a star had guid-ed them, ma-gi came and gifts un-bound, signs myster-ious and pro-found:
myrrh and frank-in-cense and gold grave and God and king fore-told.

* Prayer of Dedication

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

P: 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.

Messages of our Life in Community

* Hymn 193 Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain UNSER HERRSCHER

* Benediction

Postlude

Allegro pomposo Thomas Roseingrave

Welcome to FPC Findlay

We hope that you experience the power of God's presence while you are among us this morning. We are a busy congregation, seeking to find God's vision for us as we confront a changing and challenging world. There are many ways we try to be faithful to God. We invite you to join us in these ministries. See our website for more information or contact Pastor Bill Lindeman at blindeman@findlayfpc.org or Assoc. Pastor Jessie Myers at jessie@findlayfpc.org

Children in Worship

Childcare is provided on the first floor in Room 110. A paging system is available. **Children up to 5th grade**, following the Blessing of the Children, will be escorted to Room 110 for Godly Play children's worship. They can be picked up after worship from that space. **Red Worship Bags** for children preschool age through 3rd grade and the **White Worship Bags** for 4th – 8th graders are available on the rack in the Narthex.

Please return the worship bags to the tray under the rack following worship.

Worship Leaders

Interim Pastor: Rev. Dr. Bill Lindeman

Interim Associate Pastor: Rev. Jessie Myers

Director of Music: Brent Neuenschwander

Liturgist: Marie Loudon-Hanes

Greeters & Ushers: Terri & Lee Herning, Tom Bronder, and Tom Deter

Worship Notes

The flowers for worship are given by Marilyn and Norm Meyers in celebration of their 65th wedding anniversary.

Friendship Pad: Members and visitors – during the Offering please sign the friendship pad and pass it down the pew for others to sign. The friendship pad is located on the seat of the pew closest to the center aisle.

* Please stand if you are able.

Bold type indicates congregational response.

We ask that you please turn all cell phones to "silent" during the worship service.

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10:45 A.M. Today

COMMUNITY DINNER.....GREAT ROOM
We invite everyone to join us for our Church and Community Dinner after worship in the Great Room. We will start serving food at 11:00 am.

CHARACTER BUILDERS.....ROOM 210
Join us as Cora Kerr leads our discussion as we focus upon faithful control and direction of our spoken words. Come and join the conversation!

Announcements

Lent 2018 begins this week:

? Despair *(and)* Hope?

Join us on the journey with Jesus to Jerusalem this Lenten season as we explore the connection between despair and hope in the gospel and for our lives. **Ash Wednesday Service is February 14 at 7 pm in the Sanctuary.** We also will be holding weekly meals and worship on Wednesdays starting February 21 up to Holy Week. Dinner at 5:30, worship at 6:30. Look for more information to come!

To celebrate Sterling Helms' time with us at FPC and to say good bye, all are invited to a Farewell Reception at 10:30 am in Fellowship Hall following Sunday worship, February 25. Monetary gifts are invited until February 20 in the church office.

Kairos Book Study: Monday, February 26th at 7:00 pm, Logan's Downtown Findlay. The Great Spiritual Migration, by Brian McLaren. Come join us for discussion and fellowship.

Cabin Fever: This Family event is free and open to the community and will be held on Saturday, February 24th from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm in the Great Room. Come out and join us for a fun morning of sack races, music around the campfire, marshmallow launches, graham cracker log cabins, pretzel campfires, trail mix, and many more arts, crafts, food, and games! This is also a great way to let your kids run around and get some energy out of their system. Check out our Facebook page for more updates about the event!

Cabin Fever Donations and Volunteer sign up!

We need volunteers and donations! On the table by the front door is a full list of needed donations and volunteer lists. Please pick one up on your way out this morning! We hope to see you there and thank you for your help!

Be one of the 18-26 volunteers

Fill a backpack with \$20 worth with toys, prizes, and non-food gifts, or bring

graham crackers for the log cabin building station

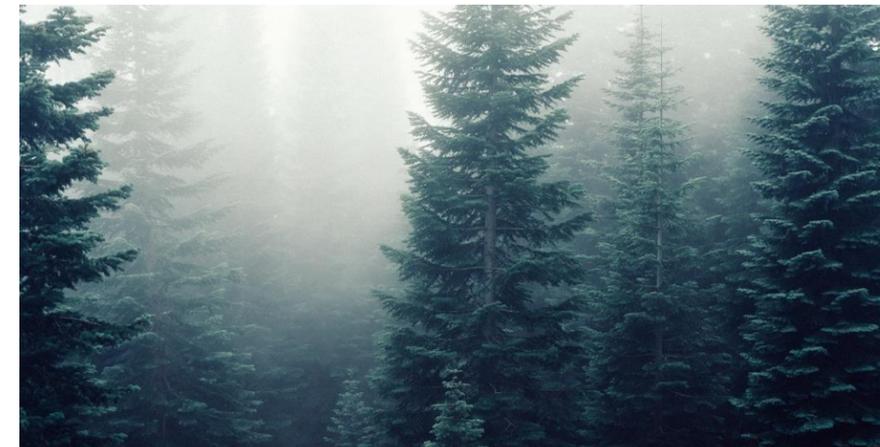
Or bring

marshmallows for the marshmallow launch

Or...

bring something from the full list on the table by the front door!

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Service for the Lord's day

FEBRUARY 11, 2018

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

9:30 A.M. – SANCTUARY

We are an active open community of Christians seeking to know and glorify God, nurturing all people and sharing Christ's love and teachings.