



# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

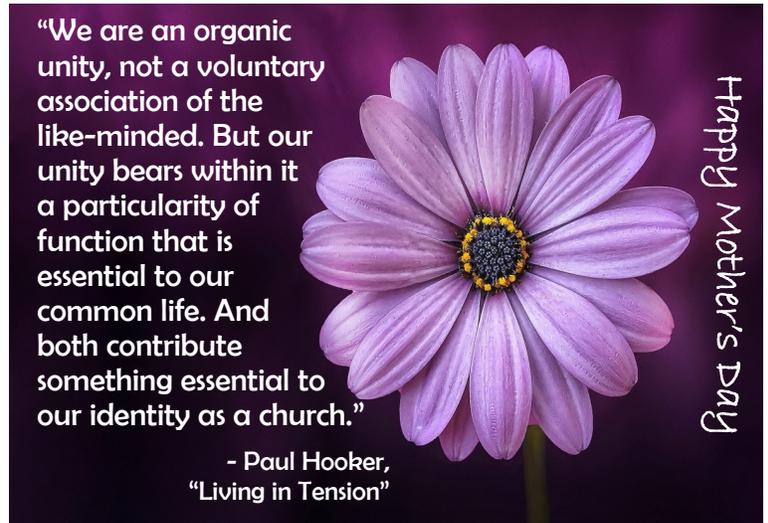
508 FRANKLIN AVENUE, GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN 49417

May 9, 2021

*Sixth Sunday of Easter*

9:00 a.m.

Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce, Associate Pastor  
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"We are an organic unity, not a voluntary association of the like-minded. But our unity bears within it a particularity of function that is essential to our common life. And both contribute something essential to our identity as a church."

- Paul Hooker,  
"Living in Tension"

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

[Welcome to Worship Online!](#)

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PRELUDE—*Gavotte*

Matthew Camidge

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

LIGHTING THE CANDLE TOGETHER

Rev. Kristine Aragon Bruce

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let's praise God together!

**All: For God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

One: Let's tell stories of God's power and majesty, God's mighty acts throughout history:

**All: For God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

One: Let's remember the compassion God has shown toward us; God's mercy and unfailing love, generation after generation:

**All: For God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

One: Let's pass these stories along to our children and grandchildren, so that they, too, may come to know and love our God.

**All: For God is great, and worthy of our praise!**

One: Let's worship God together!

\*OPENING HYMN—*Come Down, O Love Divine*

Hymn 282

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord Jesus Christ, when our words and actions reflect a reluctance to confess you publicly as Lord of our lives, forgive us. When we fear that humbling ourselves would be seen by others as weakness, forgive us. When we have betrayed your love for us through our lack of love for you, for others, and for ourselves, forgive us.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, fix your mind in us; remake us in your likeness; empty us of all that hinders us from following you. Empower us with the Holy Spirit so that our lives continually glorify you and our tongues forever confess Jesus as Lord. This we pray in Jesus' name.**

*(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—1 Kings 3:16-28

Second Lesson—Philippians 2:1-5, 4:2-3

*\* for those who are able, please stand.*

\*RESPONSIVE HYMN—*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

Hymn 727

PRAYER 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.**

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN RECOGNITION

Sue Ochs

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY—*The Gift of Love*

American Folk Tune, arr. by Hal Hopson

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

Hymn 609

**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—*O For A World*

Hymn 372

\*CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

\*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE—*Let There Be Peace*POSTLUDE— *Fugue in F Minor*

Charles Burney

**WORSHIP CONCLUDES—SERVICE BEGINS!**

*The flowers in the chancel are dedicated to the glory & honor of God  
and in loving memory of my mother Barbara Stockman on Mother's Day, by Joan Klaasen*

**Our Church Family & Friends**

**Our prayers of sympathy and support:** to the Beber family on the May 2nd passing of Kim's brother, Mike.

To the family of Janet Brace who passed away in Arizona on March 5th.

**Prayer requests:** Alice Akin, Brian Anderson & Joan Tandler, Larry Braak, Dan Coulier, Peggy Leach, Barb Race, Lisa Stoner and Sandy Teunis.

Sun. May 9 @ 4:00 pm  
Clinton St. parking lot  
Free & open to public



The Moxie Strings offers listeners the unique opportunity to experience some of the world's best-known instruments through a young, progressive lens. Diana Ladio and Alison Lynn compose the majority of their pieces and arrange melodies from many traditions, resulting in a genre-blurring blend of ear-catching melodies and foot-stomping, rock-influenced rhythms. Their polished, high-energy show and unique sound are redefining strings' role in contemporary music, and have quickly made the band one of the country's most promising instrumental acts.

Please bring your own chair and wear a mask!

**May Food Collection**

Your donations will go to **Love In Action** food pantry.

*Requests:* Applesauce, canned tuna or chicken, jelly in plastic containers, peanut butter

\* Drop box located in The Gathering Area



**Pentecost Offering**—Goes toward the younger members of God's family. 60% is used regionally and nationally for children and youth programs and 40% stays in our community. Donation envelopes available in the Clinton Street entrance.

**Worship Leaders:**

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