

**CALENDAR**

Today – 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time	
7:15	Prayer
8:15	Worship
9:45	Adult Sunday School
10:00	Kids Sunday School
10:30	Choir Practice
11:00	Worship Fellowship
2:45	Worship at White Oaks
Monday 7:00	Bible Study
7:00	Community Chorus
Tuesday 10:00	Sharenet
12:00	AA
3:30	Going Deeper
Wednesday 12:00	Lunch with Friends
12:00	NA
7:00	Boy Scouts
Thursday 7:00	Choir Practice
8:00	AA
Friday 12:00	AA
Saturday 7:00	AA
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The ushers for the month are Don Vantzelfde & Jan Emmons.

**Prayer Group:** Fridays, 9 a.m. at Pat & Dave Connor’s house, 217 Drew St. Next to Eleanor’s Pantry. An opportunity to pray about concerns of our church, the community and the world.

**High School Youth:** Sunday mornings – Don’t miss them! Come for good study, community & food, 9:30-10:30 in the Youth Room. This year we’ll be taking worship trips to experience how God is at work among his people all over Paw Paw and Kalamazoo.

OFFERING FOR LAST SUNDAY		
General Fund	\$2,691.00	Needed per week \$ 4,456.00
Capital Fund	\$110.00	
Attendance for Sunday, October 23 was 169.		

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CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor Tom Abbott, 657-3788 h.	Bonnie Davidson, Church Secretary
Ann Hague, Organist/Pianist	Jim vanWestrienen, Organist
Tami Flick, Music Director	Theresa Vaughn, Pianist
Fran Kubicek, Church Treasurer	Adam Brown, Youth Director

*First Presbyterian Church  
Paw Paw, Michigan*

*31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 30, 2011  
11:00 a.m.*

MINISTERS: The People of First Presbyterian Church

**WE GATHER TO WORSHIP**

<b>PRELUDE</b>	<b>“God That Made the Earth and Heaven”</b>	<b>Todd Kendall</b>
	<b>“Come Peace of God”</b>	<b>Franklin Ritter</b>

**WELCOME ~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ PASSING THE PEACE ~ CHIMES ~  
 PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP (Matthew 7:24-27)**  
 (Please pass the red friendship pads along the pew)

*(Early Service Hymns – 554,280,281,361)*

**SONGS OF CELEBRATION:**

1. “Open the Eyes of My Heart”
2. “My Chains are Gone”

Call to Confession *Mary Adams*

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

**Loving God, Searcher of Hearts, you know the longings we have for a community of love and trust. Yet we confess that we sabotage our own best interests; a silent sulk when our needs aren’t guessed, a truth about ourselves held back by fear of non-acceptance, a resentment that festers into isolation, a persistent doubting of our gifts, a false denial of our power and worth.**

**O Light and Comfort, dispel our false humility and our foolish pride. Make your light shine through us, igniting the possibility of truth, joy and peace in community.**

Give us the grace to fashion true community and to let your healing flow. In Jesus' name. Amen.

## SILENT CONFESSION

Assurance of Pardon

**SUNG RESPONSE:** (#66 *Lift Up Your Hearts*)

“Refiner’s Fire”

## WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination:

*Mary Adams*

First Scripture Reading: Psalm 24

Old Testament p. 502

Choir Anthem

*Chancel Choir*

A Word from the Pantry

*Nellie Long*

Second Scripture Reading: Philippians 1:9-11, 4:8-9

New Testament p. 196

## Children’s Sermon

*Steve McCloskey*

Third Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:8

New Testament p. 4

Sermon: “Blessed Are the Pure in Heart”

Pastor Abbott

✠SONG OF RESPONSE: (*Hymn*)

“All to Jesus I Surrender”

## RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

### Foundation Building

*Education Commission*

**Prayers of the people** - (After each petition please say: “Lord Hear Our Prayer.”)

### Silent Prayer & Reflection: “Andante” Richard Lloyd

(During this time please reflect on the word God is speaking to you.) (*The “Plates of Joy” are in the back. Members and friends, please contribute at the back of the sanctuary, as you feel led. Guests, your presence is gift enough. Please let us know that you were here by signing the red friendship pad at the end of your pew. During the offertory let us reflect on how we are called to be a gift of hope in the world.*)

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.

## WE ARE SENT

✠SENDING SONG:

“The Great I Am”

✠CHARGE & BENEDICTION

✠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: (Chorus)

“The Great I Am”

POSTLUDE:

“Let the World God Forth”

Lani Smith

## ✠ ✠ ✠ Clues For Worship

- ✠Those who are able please stand.
- **Bold** print represents congregational participation.
- Children are welcome in worship, but a nursery is available for those who desire one. Please ask greeters for directions to the nursery.
- Whenever possible please limit coming and going from the Sanctuary to times when the congregation is standing.
- Please use this time to reflect on your relationship with Christ and how you have experienced the presence of God in your life through the week.