

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF IONIA  
AUGUST 6, 2017  
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

CHIMES OF THE HOUR

INTROIT (INSERT)

*“Lord Be Glorified”*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

**Congregation: Worship the Lord with gladness; come  
before him with joyful songs.**

Pastor: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us  
and we are his;

**Congregation: we are his people, the sheep of his  
pasture.**

Pastor: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with  
praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

\*THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND

**Congregation: For the Lord is good and his love  
endures forever; his faithfulness  
continues through all generations.**

\*HYMN (Insert)

*"We Are Called"*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*(in Unison)*

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real  
to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips  
tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear,  
and what has become for us a consuming fire of  
judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot  
change; open to us a future in which we can be  
changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in  
your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the  
light of the world. Amen.**

KYRIE HYMN 572

*"Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us,*

*Lord have mercy upon us.”*

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Liturgist: Hear the good news! The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made. The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down. The Lord is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings. The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry, and saves them.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: Christ has given us peace that surpasses all understanding. The peace of Christ be with you!

**Congregation: The peace of Christ be with you also!**

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Liturgist: *Isaiah 55:1-5* Page 635 Pew Bible

Liturgist: The word of the Lord!

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

Pastor: *Matthew 14:13-21* Page 848-849 Pew Bible

Pastor: The gospel of the Lord!

**Congregation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

SERMON *"Bread Enough for the Journey"* - Dr. Chris Dorn

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Page 14 - Hymnal  
*The Apostles' Creed*

\*HYMN 513

*"Let Us Break Bread Together"*

### CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY MUSIC

\*DOXOLOGY

Hymn 592

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN 466

*"O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"*

\*BENEDICTION

## \*POSTLUDE

Please sign the red attendance folder in your pew, sharing your name with those near you and making formal your gift to God of this hour. If you give your complete address and phone number, we will keep you informed about upcoming events.

### *Serving in Worship Today:*

*Guest Speaker:* Dr. Chris Dorn; *Liturgist:* Jim VanSyckle;  
*Communion Preparation:* Dr. Keith Sterner; *Communion Servers:*  
Bill Robinson, Dr. Keith Sterner, Kathy VanSyckle;  
*Greeters/Ushers:* Pat Gustafson, Kathy and Jim VanSyckle  
*Fellowship:* Ernie and Marcia Ross

### *Serving in Worship next Sunday:*

*Guest Speaker:* Dr. Chris Dorn; *Liturgist:* Sue Reglin  
*Greeters and Ushers:* Oscar and Leone Johnson, Linda Hood  
*Children's Message:* Judi Emlinger; *Fellowship:* Sue Reglin and  
Judi Emlinger

*Elders serving on Session:* Dr. Jan Arnold, David Hanson,  
Lavonna Hoover, Evelyn Ransom, Sue Reglin, Cindy Rozich, Dr.  
Keith Sterner, Dr. Warren Thompson, Kathy VanSyckle

*Music Fund:* Elder Bill Robinson  
*Shaver Children's Fund:* Elder Judi Emlinger  
*Head Start Initiative:* Elder Sue Thompson  
Margaret Gregory, Clerk  
Barb Klenk and Norma Kilpatrick, Treasurer

Music Leader  
Harkness Handbell Choir Director  
Administrative Assistant  
Custodian

Mike Kaufman  
Cindy Rozich  
Deb Montgomery  
Steve Slaughter

COME ENJOY!

Retirees Fellowship: Norma Kilpatrick, President (527-4144)

*good friendship, good activities, 3rd Thursday*

Quilters Fellowship: Carol Shier, Chairperson (616-755-0963)

*fun, fellowship, and helping hearts 9:30 a.m. Wednesday*

Prayer Shawl Group: Evelyn Ransom and Mary Williams,

Co-Chairs

*Making lap robes and shawls for those who need them*

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Bless, O Lord, the one you are sending to be our next pastor.

When that person is joyful, guide that person to be prayerful.

When that person is tempted, stay by that person. In all seasons

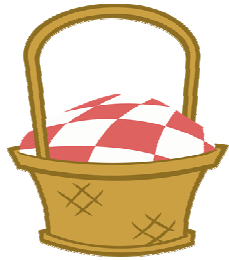
send that person the companions you intend and the good

judgment and good heart to embrace them.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our Christian Education Committee hopes to receive your cans and bottles to redeem for their deposits, as well as your exhausted ink cartridges.

**Your help is needed for Sunday Fellowship hour and altar flowers. Please remember to sign up.**



Please save the date! Our church annual picnic at Linda Hood's camp grounds is scheduled for August 27th, immediately after church. A sign up sheet will be on the table in the memorial room starting August 6th. Membership and Care Committee will furnish the hamburger, hot dogs, buns, condiments, and drinks. Please bring your own tableware, chair and a dish to pass.

## CALENDAR

- 8/6 10:00 A.M. Worship - Guest Speaker, Dr. Chris Dorn  
Missions Offering, Communion  
11:00 A.M. Fellowship and Refreshments  
6:30-8:30 P.M. Vacation Bible School
- 8/7 6:30-8:30 P.M. Vacation Bible School
- 8/8 6:30-8:30 P.M. Vacation Bible School
- 8/9 9:30 A.M. Quilters  
6:30-8:30 P.M. Vacation Bible School
- 8/10 Office Closed, Deb on vacation  
2-4 P.M. Prayer Shawl Group  
6:30-8:30 P.M. Vacation Bible School
- 8/13 10:00 A.M. Worship - Guest Speaker, Dr. Chris Dorn  
11:00 A.M. Fellowship and Refreshments
- 8/16 9:30 A.M. Quilters  
9:30 A.M. Membership and Care meet
- 8/17 2-4 P.M. Prayer Shawl Group meets  
5:00 P.M. Soup Kitchen at Zion - Team #1  
Captain, Norma Kilpatrick, Cheryl Harkness, Diane Barnes, Lavonna Hoover and Marcia Ross



## **SEE WHO WE ARE**

### **Christian Service Center**

*clothing and household goods we donate for neighbors*

### **Crop Walk**

*walking or rocking we help to feed the world*

### **Souper Bowl of Caring**

*homemade soup prepared and served to collect funds for local soup kitchen*

### **March Into Reading**

*books we give to Head Start youngsters*

### **Faithful Friends**

*Head Start classroom volunteers & family support*

### **Ionia County Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen**

*groceries we collect and food we serve for a neighborhood center*

### **Bear Buddies**

*near Christmas, we collect small stuffed animals for use in hospital emergency room, patrol cars of police officers, and spouse abuse center*