

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF IONIA
NOVEMBER 25, 2018
CHRIST THE KING
ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING MUSIC

CHIMES OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE (INSTRUMENTAL)

"We Gather Together"

INTROIT HYMN (INSERT)

"This Is The Day"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty; the Lord is
robed, he is girded with strength. He has estab-
lished the world; it shall never be moved;

**Congregation: your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.**

Pastor: The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have
lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.

*THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE STAND

**Congregation: More majestic than the thunders of
mighty waters, more majestic than the
waves of the sea, majestic on high is the
Lord!**

Pastor: Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits your
house, O Lord, forevermore.

LETTER OF TRANSFER

Carol and Lewis Campbell

*HYMN 559

"We Gather Together"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(in Unison)

**Almighty God, we confess that we are too captivated by
the powers of this world to believe that you have ex-
alted your Son, crucified in weakness and defeat, to be
Lord of lords and King of kings, to whom every knee
will bow and every mouth confess. Too often we be-
come discouraged and even cynical about the cause of**

justice in this world, not daring to believe that in your Son you are working justice for all the oppressed. We call Christ our King, but too often that is nothing more to us than an empty slogan. Save us Lord from the sins we know in our heart. Save us Lord from the sins we hide.

KYRIE HYMN 572

“Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us, Lord have mercy upon us.”

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Our assurance and comfort rests on Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood. He has made us to be a kingdom and priests serving his God and Father; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

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!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Judi Emlinger

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Liturgist: *2 Samuel 23:1-7* Page 286-287 Pew Bible

Liturgist: The word of the Lord!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Pastor: *John 18:33-37* Page 943 Pew Bible

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord!

Congregation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

SERMON

"The Cost of Truth" - Dr. Chris Dorn

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Page 14 - Hymnal
The Apostles' Creed

*HYMN 151

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ending with "The Lord's
Prayer" Page 16 in Hymnal

OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY Hymn 592

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN 420

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

*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:* Kathy VanSyckle

Greeters and Ushers: Lavonna (lead) and David Hoover, Marilyn

McKay; *Children's Message:* Judi Emlinger

Fellowship: Christian Ed

Serving in Worship next Sunday:

Guest Speaker: Dr. Chris Dorn; *Liturgist:* Lee Hunsberger

Communion Preparation: Jim and Kathy VanSyckle; *Communion*

Servers: Judi Emlinger, Margaret Gregory, Linda Hood, Sue

Reglin; *Greeters and Ushers:* Perry and Margaret Gregory, Linda

Hood; *Children's Message:* Kathy VanSyckle

Fellowship: Marcia and Ernie Ross

Elders serving on Session: Dr. Jan Arnold, Judi Emlinger,

Lavonna Hoover, Lee Hunsberger, Evelyn Ransom, Sue Reglin,

Dr. Keith Sterner, Kathy VanSyckle, Mary Williams

Music Fund: Elder Bill Robinson

Shaver Children's Fund: Elder Judi Emlinger

Head Start Initiative: Elder Sue Thompson

Clerk, Margaret Gregory

Treasurers, Barb Klenk and Norma Kilpatrick

Music Director

Mike Kaufman

Song Leader

Mary Williams

Harkness Handbell Choir Director

Cindy Rozich

Administrative Assistant

Deb Montgomery

Custodian

Steve Slaughter

COME ENJOY!

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

good friendship, good activities, 3rd Thursday

Quilters Fellowship: Mary Lou Hopkins, Chairperson (616-527-4822)

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.

Happy Birthday to Sue Reglin, November 25, David Furman,

November 27, Linda Hood, November 29, Sarah Jane Hanson,

November 30, Pamela Robinson, December 6.

CALENDAR

- 11/25 8:30 A.M. Handbell Choir Practice
 10:00 A.M. Worship - Guest Speaker, Dr. Chris Dorn
 Sunday School
 11:00 A.M. Fellowship and Refreshments
- 11/27 9:00-11:15 A.M. Office hours (Deb having lunch with
 old friends)
- 11/28 9:30 A.M. Quilters
 4:00 P.M. Children's Choir
- 11/29 2-4 P.M. Prayer Shawl Group
- 12/2 8:30 A.M. Handbell Choir Practice
 10:00 A.M. Worship - Guest Speaker, Dr. Chris Dorn
 Communion, Missions Offering, Sunday School
 11:00 A.M. Fellowship and Refreshments
- 12/5 9:30 A.M. Quilters
 4:00 P.M. Children's Choir
- 12/6 10:30 A.M. Travelogue Christmas
 2-4 P.M. Prayer Shawl Group
- 12/7 11:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M. Red Hat's Christmas

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