



# Our Vision

The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn  
May 2014 Newsletter



Thurs. May 1<sup>st</sup>



**Sermon on the Mount**  
Sermon Series

Living  
as a disciple in the real world  
as directed by Jesus.

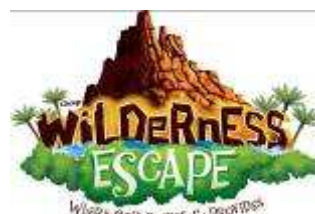


## Special Mothers Day Service

Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>  
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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Join the Incredible Journey

July 14-18

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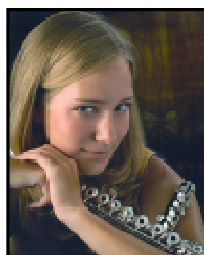
## Praise Worship

*Saturday Night Alive!*

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Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>  
4:30pm

An Hour of  
Praise and Prayer

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## Master Flute Recital

Anne Dearth performing

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*Pray for God to provide for our financial needs.*

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## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### **Adult Sunday School**

Our Sermon on the Mount Series will finish on May 18<sup>th</sup>. We will then do a Louie Giglio video study for a couple of weeks before moving into our summer study.

### **Adult Summer Sunday School**

On June 8<sup>th</sup> we will start our summer Sunday School study. It will be a continuation of the Ray Vander Laan series "Faith Lessons". Using video presentations of Biblical sites in Israel and Egypt, we will explore the Old Testament this summer, focusing on the Israelites Wandering in the Desert. We will discover how quickly the Israelites forgot God and began to rely on themselves. Then we will focus on living in desert times and how to depend on God and experience His amazing grace and provision. We will run through Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>. All are invited to join us in the North Parlor at 9am on Sundays. Join us whenever you are in town this summer.

### **FISH**

FISH meets through May 14<sup>th</sup> and will then break for the summer. If you've never attended FISH but would like to try it, we invite you to come to our last 2 weeks, May 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. We begin with dinner at 6, followed by class at 6:45. The food is great, the fellowship is wonderful and the class discussions are enlightening.

Mark Dearth is leading a discussion class, "**Crazy Love**", a look at how we show God our love and how we can deepen our love for Him.

### **Mother's Day**

Celebrate Mother's Day, May 11, with us as our Sunday School children and youth group lead us in worship. This is always a special service. It is a blessing to see our young ones learning and growing in their understanding of God and His Word. Our theme this year is, "**By your fruit you will be known**".

### **Summer Camp**

Parents – consider sending your elementary, middle school, and high school children to church camp. Howell Conference and Nature Center in Howell and Camp Westminster on Higgins Lake have excellent line-ups of camps for this summer. There are brochures on the Christian Education bulletin board and copies in the Christian Ed. Office and in Mitchell Hall.

~Ann Bleivik, Educational Coordinator



We extend a special 'Thank You' to Sheila Beatty for her great artwork as she portrayed the stories of Holy Week in "bas relief." Watching her creative works in action brought the stories of Easter to life in an extra special way. *Thanks again, Sheila!*

## Children's Ministry

Do I have your e-mail address? Parents, have you received e-mails from me regarding children's events and programs? If you have not received e-mail from me, please let me know, and I will add your address to my list..

**VBS:** This summer at VBS, we'll take an incredible journey into the wilderness with none other than Moses himself! With Group Publishing's *Wilderness Escape* 2014 VBS program, kids will learn straight from the Bible through the hero Moses. Kids will also learn firsthand what it was like to live in the Israelite camp during Moses' time. Join 1 of the 12 Israel Tribes for crafts, music, games, and more!

Talk to Beckie Dicks if you'd like to be a part of this ministry. We will be scheduling another planning meeting soon after Easter.

**VBS Dates: July 14-18. Please mark your calendars!**

**Thanks, Wednesday night FISH kids,** for your artwork for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Your collages were a great contribution to worship in those very special services. Parents, for your information, the poetry that we used came from the book *At Jerusalem's Gate* by Nikki Grimes. The poems, written from the perspective of several characters in the Holy Week and Easter stories, are wonderful conversation starters. It's a book well worth having on your bookshelf at home.

**On Easter, we finished up our "Benjamin's Box" series** with the resurrection story, and the completion of the children's treasure boxes. Thanks to Sheila Beatty and Jane Mykytenko for their dedication and creativity! Our story was based on Melody Carson Greene's book *Benjamin's Box*, which follows a boy named Benjamin through his experience of the original Holy Week and Easter. Each family took a book home on Easter to help their own re-telling of the story. Please talk to me if you did not get one.

~Beckie Dicks- Children's Ministries Coordinator





## Saturday Night Alive!

- **Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014**
- **4:30-5:30pm**
- **First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn**

Come join us for an hour of contemporary praise music and worship. All are welcome! We hope to fill your hearts with the love of God through some upbeat, powerful music and messages. See you there!

**First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn**  
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## ***Mother's Day Reflection***

### ***A Mother...***

When you're a child she walks before you,  
To set an example.

When you're a teenager she walks behind you  
To be there should you need her.

When you're an adult she walks beside you  
So that as two friends you can enjoy life together..

**Author Unknown**

Source: faithfulprovisions.com



### ***Congratulations!***

*Congratulations to Pastor Dave and Ann on the April 1<sup>st</sup> birth of their granddaughter, Addison Leigh. Her parents are Christina (Dave and Ann's daughter) and Greg Hewitt. Little Addison was born at 8am, weighed 8 lb., 13 oz. and was 22-1/2 inches long.*

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## **180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Church**

This year marks the 180th anniversary of our church. Per our history, "... On March 16, 1834 Rev. O.C. Thompson of Detroit came to preach in the village and "gave notice" that on the following Sabbath a Presbyterian Church would be formed."

*May we continue on our journey of mission and ministry and bring God's Gospel message to our community.*



## Touch of Hope Easter Offering

The Easter Touch of Hope Offering provided Kroger gift cards and needed non-perishable items to sixteen families this year. In addition six children received Easter baskets. Older children received chocolate candy.



There are many people to thank for the successful offering provided by this ministry. The basket shopping was done by Charlene Reid. Basket assembly was completed by Sue Ingram, Margie Maurer, Ann Phillips and Charlene Reid. Very special thanks to Jan Cobb for donating her time and skills to create beautiful Easter cards for the families. On the Sunday of the offering committed volunteers helped to transport, sort, and pack items collected from the congregation. Volunteers included Ann Bleivik, Carolyn Buell, Nancy DeHamer, Sue Ingram, Margie and Mike Maurer, Kathy Planta, Charlene Reid, Sue Sullivan, and Jan Witkowski. Wendy Palmer was helpful during the entire offering process. We thank everyone involved and appreciate the help.

Thanks to all congregation members who graciously donated items and monetary donations to the offering. Our families were very appreciative.

The sponsors who work with families on a regular basis are to be commended for their time and effort. The sponsors delivered the Easter offering to their Touch of Hope families with blessings and God's love. Many people within the congregation are responsible for the successful Touch of Hope Offering. We can be proud of the support we extend to the families. A special "Thank You!" to all who helped make this year's offering a success.

~ Margie Maurer



## Mission Sewing Day

What a productive sewing day we had! At our annual mission sewing day we completed 18 baby blankets, 4 adult bibs, and 4 walker bags. Many many thanks to you lovely ladies for your hard work. We had a good group - every sewing machine was used. As usual, Mary Ann Bassett provided a wonderful lunch. Thank you Mary Ann for all that you do and you do a lot. Hope to see you all again next March and bring your friends. Yours in Christ, Olimpia Todor Mission Sewing Coordinator.



### **Do you use EMAIL? Have you been receiving the email messages about FPC events?**

If not, we would love to add your email address to our list. The DNA Committee has been sending out limited messages on upcoming events. These messages are great reminders for you and can be easily forwarded to friends. Forwarding is a way for you to invite someone to experience God's love in action. Please email [fpcd.events@gmail.com](mailto:fpcd.events@gmail.com), or call the church at (313)274-1313 to give us your email address, or permission to use your email that we have on file.



## Music Corner

May is here! First off, I'd like to thank all who helped make our very busy April such a success!! We started with our Mozart Requiem concert on the 6<sup>th</sup>, then had Palm Sunday and Holy Week services, culminating in a wonderful Easter Service with Brass and Timpani. Thanks to all the players, singers and supporters for all of these events. We ended the month with Vanguard Voices performing in concert on the 27<sup>th</sup>. This performance included "Requiem Brevis" by Stuart Scott, a piece commissioned especially to be performed in our sanctuary. What a great, music-filled month.

For Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, the services were built around readings from *At Jerusalem's Gate: Poems of Easter* by Nikki Grimes. Thank you to the readers, and to Pastor Mike for reading the scriptures.

May will also see some special music. Mother's Day will see the Children's Choir, the Youth Choir and the Handbell Choir. Also on Mother's day, we will have several of our youth and children playing instruments in the service.

As always, we are looking for more members of all of our musical groups. This is a great time of year to "get your feet wet." We've completed all the major concerts for the year. We're just looking forward to Pentecost (June 8) and Father's Day (June 15) and then the choirs are off for the summer. This is a great time to come and "check us out!"

- Children's Choir meets at 3:30pm on Sunday afternoon in the choir loft.
- Youth Choir meets at 5:00pm on Sunday afternoon in the choir loft.
- Handbell Choir meets at 4:30pm on Sunday afternoon in the Bell room (3A & 3B) downstairs.
- Adult Choir meets at 7:00pm on Wednesday evening (after the FISH dinner) in the choir loft

Please come and join us!!

~In Christ, Marshall

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## Outreach and Mission

FPCD's O&M Committee directs budgeted funds which support local, national and world wide mission projects. Presently our 2014 budget supports 29 organizations and missionaries with funding available to assist disaster victims.

Our committee has shrunk to only four members. Expanding the membership could bring new ideas to the table. We meet once a month on the first Monday at 7:00 pm. If you are interested, feel free to attend a meeting or talk to a member of the O&M Committee. Your O&M Committee, Joel DeHamer (Chairperson), Nancy Barber, Jim Barber & Bob Missler

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## Presbyterian Women's Bible Study

Presbyterian Women's Bible study will meet from May 1 - 22, 2014. We will continue to study the Old Testament books of Exodus/Deuteronomy. Bible study will not meet during the summer (June-Aug.). Look for additional information in future issues of the Vision for the Fall schedule.

~Lorraine Lamkin

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## Emergency Contact Forms

Emergency Contact Forms are now available in the Narthex. If you would like the church to have contact information on file for you in the event of an emergency, we encourage you to fill out the form and turn it in to Vicki Davidson, Administrative Assistant to the Senior Pastor.

~Thank You.

## **Musings from Pastor Mike - May 2014**

Thanks to all of you who were able to get back with me about the ways that you reached out to others after my “Chocolate Cookie Cool-Down” message during Lent. Here are a few of the things that people did to “leverage their influence” and share the love of Christ with others:

- Was kind to someone who was abusive.
- Made a visit and took home-made soup and fruit salad to one who was recovering from surgery.
- Provided weekly rides to an individual to FISH to be fed through body and spirit.
- Sent cards to those who were sick or had suffered loss.
- Sent thank-you messages to the 15 staff-members of First Church.
- Held open doors for many individuals.
- Shared my faith with a stranger.
- Took a friend to breakfast.
- Took a friend out to dinner.
- Prayed with many who were hurting or in need
- Helped a person obtain and move into an apartment.
- Ran errands so that my wife did not need to.
- Invited 3 new people to Converge.
- Volunteered for ChristNet.
- Purchased Bibles for 3 individuals.
- Baked for the office and church volunteers.
- Mentored a young adult.
- Counseled someone in need.
- Assisted a person with their finances and future planning.
- Provided food items for an individual in transition and prayed for a job opportunity.

We know that we don’t earn our salvation through works. Thank-goodness for that, for we would be ever wondering if we had done enough. Through his son, Jesus Christ, God has unconditionally pulled us from being dead in sin and has elected us to be a child of God. We are regenerate, new creations, atoned of our sins by Jesus who took our place on the cross, and offered up eternal life. Praise God!

We also must be cognizant that faith manifests itself through our actions. James writes, “Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.” -2:17. We need to be sure we show our appreciation by allowing God to continuously transform us into the hands and feet of Jesus. We must balance the need to do missions that touch people socially as well as spiritually.

In His service, -Pastor Mike.

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### ***My Sincere Thanks!***

*Since my recent surgery I am so appreciative of all the cards, phone calls, and the loving delicious food gifts that Bill and I have received. We feel much blessed.*

*Love, Janet Leslie*

# May 2014

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<b>Communion</b> 4 9am Education Hour 9:25am Adult Choir <b>10am Worship Service- Sanctuary</b> 1-2:30pm Hoffman Small Group- R16 3-4:30pm 4:12 Youth Group YL, YC 3:30-4:30pm Children's Choir- Sanctuary 4:30-5pm Handbell Choir- Bell Room 5-6pm Youth Choir- Sanctuary 7pm Bible Study- Bert Ebi's	5 <b>5-10pm Dearborn Symphony Scholarship Auditions- Turco, Rms. 16, 15, 12</b> 7-9pm Outreach & Missions- SP 7-9pm Greeting Card- R14 7:30-9pm Boy Scout Troop- YC  <b>DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN</b>	6 9am Men's Fellowship Work 10am Physical & Spiritual Fitness- MH 7pm Property- Library 7:30pm-8:30pm Investment Committee 7-9pm Worship & Arts- SP 7:30-9pm AA- MH	10am Stephens-Currie- R12 10am-4pm Treasure Chest 10:30am-12pm <b>ALL Staff</b> - SP 6pm-6:45pm FISH (dinner) MH 6:45-8pm Class- NP 7-9pm Adult Choir- Sanct., Turco
<b>Mother's Day/Children's Day</b> 11 9am Education Hour 9:25am Adult Choir <b>10am Worship Service- Sanctuary</b> <b>11am GrouPeru Cupcake Sale- Narthex</b> 11:30am Blood Pressure Screening- Narthex 1-2:30pm Hoffman Small Group- R16 <b>No 4:12 Youth Group</b> <b>No Children's Choir</b> <b>No Handbell Choir- Bell Room</b> <b>No Youth Choir- Sanctuary</b> 7pm Bible Study- Bert Ebi's	12 11:30am-2pm Garden Club- MH (LAST ONE TILL SEPT.) 6:30pm NAMI- NP 7-8pm Deacons- R12 (LAST ONE TILL SEPT.) 7:30-9pm Boy Scout Troop- YC  <b>DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN</b>	13 9am Men's Fellowship Work 10am Physical & Spiritual Fitness- MH 7-9pm CE Committee- NP 7:30-9pm AA- MH	10am-4pm Treasure Chest 6pm-8pm <b>LAST FISH TILL SEPT.</b> - MH 7-9pm Adult Choir- Sanct., Turco
<b>Flower Flat &amp; Basket pickup</b> 18 9am Education Hour 9:25am Adult Choir <b>10am Worship Service- Sanctuary</b> 1-2:30pm Hoffman Small Group- R16 3-4:30pm 4:12 Youth Group YL, YC (last one till Sept.) 3:30-4:30pm Children's Choir- Sanctuary 4:30-5pm Handbell Choir- Bell Room 5-6pm Youth Choir- Sanctuary 7pm Bible Study- Bert Ebi's	19 7:30-9pm Boy Scout Troop- YC  <b>DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN</b>	20 9am Men's Fellowship Work 10am Physical & Spiritual Fitness- MH 5:30-6:30pm Finance- SP <b>6:30pm SESSION/CC-NP</b> 7:30-9pm AA- MH	10am Stephens-Currie- R12 10am-4pm Treasure Chest 10:30am-12pm <b>PROGRAM Staff</b> - SP 7-9pm Adult Choir- Sanct., Turco
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	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>National Day of Prayer</b> 1  8am-8pm CHAPEL OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER 10-11:30am PW Bible Study- NP	2	3  Set up Communion  9am-11am Rebekah Circle- MH or R12 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares
7	8  10-11:30am PW Bible Study- NP 11am C.O.M. (Pastor) offsite	9  5-8:30pm Flute Workshop- Chapel 6:30-9pm Game Night- MH	10  10am-12pm BEOM Club- NP <b>10am-2pm T. Chest Bag Sale</b> <b>3pm Flute Concert- Sanctuary</b> 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares  DEADLINE FOR VISION
14	15  10-11:30am PW Bible Study- NP	16  7pm Praise Event Rehearsal- Sanctuary	17  4:30-5:30pm Saturday Night Alive- Sanctuary 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares
21	22  10-11:30am PW Bible Study (LAST ONE TILL SEPT)- NP 5:30-9pm Boy Scout Council- MH, Kit., NP, SP 7-9pm Knitting Group- <b>Sewing Room</b>	23	24  6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares
28	29	30	31  Set up Communion  6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares



## Memorial Day Reflection



*"... In 1990 when I was chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, I took my Soviet counterpart, Gen. Mikhail Moiseyev, around the United States. I wanted to give him a better understanding of what America is all about.*

*We started in Washington D.C. (after showing him the Jefferson and Lincoln Memorials)... I was ready to take him to the Vietnam memorial. I showed the general how to find someone's name on it. I looked up Maj. Tony Mavroudis. Tony and I had grown up together on the streets of New York. We went to college together. We became infantrymen together. And in 1967, on his second tour of duty in Vietnam, Tony was killed... It was an emotional moment for me, and not just for me. Gen. Moiseyev reached out gently and touched the wall. The infantryman in him understood...*

*... take time to honor our fellow Americans who gave their last full measure of devotion to our country and for the freedoms we cherish."*

**Colin Powell, retired four-star general and former Secretary of State**  
(on the occasion of the opening of the National World War II Memorial in 2004)  
Source: [www.state.gov](http://www.state.gov)

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### The bugler's lament...

*Day is done, gone the sun  
From the lakes, from the hills, from the sky  
All is well, safely rest  
God is nigh.*

*Fading light dims the sight  
And a star gems the sky, gleaming bright  
From afar, drawing near  
Falls the night.*

*Thanks and praise for our days  
Neath the sun, neath the stars, neath the sky  
As we go, this we know  
God is nigh.*



**Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful.**

*Joshua 1:8*

God called Joshua to lead Israel into the Promised Land. God was with him (v.9), but to succeed, he was to continually meditate on God's Word. To succeed, so must we (*Psalms 1:2; 119:97, 148*). Why is meditation on God's Word so important and often difficult?

You and I already meditate, and it shapes us. Unfortunately, mediation on worldly issues (*1 John 2:15 – 17*) can distance us from God by making us more worldly. We need to meditate on God's Word to live by faith. Jesus resisted temptation by following Deut. 8:3 (which He knew intimately): "man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." (*Matt. 4:4*). As bread helps our temporary body, so the Word of God helps our eternal soul. Contemplating on God's Word helps us personalize and understand God's truth so we can better live by faith in our daily lives and be blessed.

God's Word acts as a sharp and active two-edged sword that penetrates, separates, and divides (*Hebr. 4:12*). Reflecting on Scripture helps us accept the discomfort of cutting out bad habits and attitudes so we can better experience our spiritual life.

Christ cleanses the church by washing with water through the Word to make her radiant, without stain or blemish, but holy and blameless (*Eph. 5:26, 27*). Meditating on God's Word helps Him expose our sin and energize our repentance from it, liberating us for spiritual growth and blessings. Read the Bible reflectively, pray about it, and listen to God. Let God's Word guide and bless our lives. ~John Holden

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### **221st PCUSA General Assembly~ Detroit Volunteers**

Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the June 14-21 General Assembly can contact the following volunteer coordinators:



Adrienne Adams  
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Martha Nelson  
COLA Volunteers Vice Chair  
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### **If you are KEEN... and over 50 years of age, YOU ARE A ~ Keenager**

Please join us the fourth Wednesday of each month for Christian Fellowship and Information as we go for lunch, or meet in Mitchell Hall. Check the Keenager bulletin board for details and sign-up sheet.

**Sunday Bulletin Announcements:** Please submit your announcements for the **Sunday Bulletin** to **Vicki no later than noon the Monday prior to the service at [vickidfpd30@gmail.com](mailto:vickidfpd30@gmail.com)**. Please use Microsoft Word format when sending your articles via email. There is also a bin in the front office of the church for your submissions. ~ Thank you, Vicki Davidson—Administrative Assistant.

**Our Vision** is the monthly newsletter of The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn. Articles are to be turned in to the office or emailed to Jim Barber at [jimb@firstpresdearborn.org](mailto:jimb@firstpresdearborn.org) no later than the **10th** of the month. Please date your articles & **keep them brief - one page or less**. **Longer articles will result in smaller font**. **We reserve the right to edit as needed.**

## Thank You

*A special thank you to the “Purple Skirt Dancers” for their interpretive dance during our special Easter Sunday morning service. We especially thank Elissa Hoffman for her creative leadership by helping our young ladies with music selection and choreography.*



### Summer Bible Study

The summer we will be offering a special Bible study that will meet Thursday morning at 10:00am. We are formulating a lesson plan for this time of study and fellowship. Hope to see you there! ~Jane Lewy-Mykytenko

### Electronic Giving Coming Soon!!!

I am pleased to announce that I am in the testing phase of an electronic option for making regular offerings. If you choose to participate, contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 offering envelopes. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

More information will follow once the testing phase is completed. Stay tuned!

~Nancy Setterlun

### Financial Challenge

Over-runs due to high heating and snow removal costs have resulted in notable financial deficit. We anticipate that our faithful will catch up on their giving over the next few weeks and enable us to be in a healthier financial position.

We thank you for your faithfulness and commitment to our church family.

God bless, ~ Pastor Dave



For those who have suffered a loss or who are going through a difficult time, life can be filled with painful loneliness and emptiness. If you are smiling on the outside, but full of pain on the inside and the joy you long for seems far away, help is available. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care. They will listen, care, encourage, and pray with and for you. Stephen Ministers have been specially trained to meet your emotional and spiritual needs; male Stephen Ministers are always matched with men, and female Stephen Ministers are matched with women. If you or someone you know is hurting, find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Leaders: Art Hughes (313) 383-2589 or Chris Mayer (313) 562-1943. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!



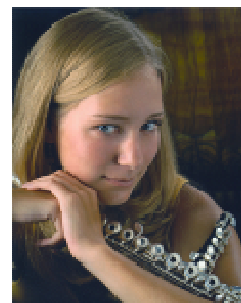
## Requiem 2014



## Flute Recital ~ Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 3pm

We invite you to attend this special recital featuring Anne Dearth, as she presents a progression of musical styles and flute techniques. The program will include works by: Aaron Copeland, Ian Clarke, Claude Debussy, Robert Dick, Olivier Messaien, and Edgar Varese.

Go to: [www.annedearthflute.com](http://www.annedearthflute.com) for more information.



### Congratulations!

Congratulations to Lauren and Andreas Nilsson on the birth of their daughter, Ava Elise, born March 17th (7lbs.1oz. 19 1/2 inches). Big brother is Liam, grandparents are Dana and Debbie Field, Great-Grandma is Velma Regorrah.



*Spring at last!!*

### **‘Farewell’ from Glenn Maggard and Lisa Holt**

As many of you know, we are moving to Maryland on May 2nd. Lisa has been working in Rockville for the past year (commuting back and forth almost every other week). She's looking forward moving ahead in her career and spending more time with Glenn. Glenn has retired from the City of Ann Arbor and is looking forward to his next career - whatever that may be.

April 27th will be our last Sunday at FPC. A dear friend is hosting a farewell open house later that afternoon from 1pm - 5pm. Please stop by if you can. The address is 36241 Club Drive, Livonia, 48152. RSVP to Lisa (734-646-1497).

We want to thank you all for so many wonderful years of fellowship and friendship! Although we'll surely find a new church home in Maryland, we will always consider ourselves part of the FPC family. We hope that you'll keep in touch, and perhaps even stop by for a visit if you're ever in the DC area.

With love, Glenn & Lisa

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*A special ‘Thank You’ to all who participated in our Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday services. The moving anthems of our choir, special music, interpretive readings, and children's’ artwork brought a worshipful atmosphere to our Holy observances.*

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### **Legacy Conference 2014 ~ June 12-14**

A conference about Missions, Muslims,  
and the Heart of God

***How Christ’s love compels us to reach Muslims.***

Register: [dearbornlegacyconference.org](http://dearbornlegacyconference.org)



### **Sound System Update**

The evaluation of the speaker in worship resulted in some very useful feedback from our congregation; in that regard the test and survey fulfilled their purposes. The end result is, we are now in a better position to evaluate future hardware and have a greater understanding of the expectations of our congregation. A detailed report of this speaker evaluation and the audio survey results will be presented to Session and will be available for all interested congregants upon the approval of Session.

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### **Emergency Response Plan Update**

The E.R.P. task force is still at work. Jim Barber is creating evacuation signs for all the rooms in the building. Bob Missler has installed little boxes in many of the rooms that hold a flashlight and glowsticks to be used in case of a power outage at night. Please take a moment when you enter a room to note the location of the box in case you should need to use the contents. Also please make sure that children and youth do not play with these items. If you should need to use them, please return the flashlight to the box or to the office with a note on its proper location. Also let the office know if you needed to use any of the glowsticks, so they can be replaced. Help us keep everyone safe.

### NEED A LIFT? WE'D LIKE TO HELP!

Not just to church. If you or someone you know needs a ride to an appointment, the store, Sunday service or a church event, your FPC family would like to help. Contact Nancy Barber at (313)565-2741, Bob Missler at (313)791-0377, or call the church at (313)274-1313. Also, if you are free to occasionally help with driving, we'd like to hear from you too. ~Bob Missler, Deacon Moderator. *Matthew 25:40 "Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."*



### New Logo Name Tags

Name tags with our new cross logo can be ordered through the deacons. This is a good way for all of us to get to know each other. To order, please see Bob Missler, Deacon Moderator (313)791-0377.

### Library needs DVD's

If you have good Christian DVD's that you no longer use, please consider donating them to our Church library for others to enjoy.



### Sweatshirts for Sale

DNA has sweatshirts & fleeces for sale with our new church logo.

*Please see Kim Doverspike if interested.*

### .. May .. BIRTHDAYS

05/02: Frank T. Jones, David Mantey  
05/03: Phill Mayer  
05/04: Lisa Holt, Liam Nilsson  
05/05: Donald Martin, Kevin Nietering, Leslie Meyers  
05/07: Janet Leslie  
05/08: Nancy DeHamer, Lauren Nilsson, Anna Behrens  
05/09: Ian Higgins  
05/11: Emily Carlson, James MacDonald  
05/12: Jeremy Hughes  
05/14: Craig Wolter  
05/15: Edward Mistecki, Wes Pelling  
05/16: Linda Ashton  
05/17: Bob Jones  
05/19: Ted Daykin, Jim Scott  
05/20: Virginia Cassidy  
05/21: Alicia Laura  
05/22: Chris Mayer  
05/23: Sandra Evans, Bob Szczechura, Vic Todor  
05/24: Becky Bergren, Nelda Johnson  
05/26: Diane Mitchell, David G. Setterlun  
05/27: Kathy White  
05/28: Paul Bassett Sr.  
05/29: Timothy Huth, Renee Watson  
05/30: Clara Smith  
05/31: Amy McCarthy

### Meals for the Homebound

Some of our homebound congregation could use assistance with meals. The next time you are preparing something that is easily frozen, just make a little extra. Freeze enough for two people in a nonreturnable container and drop it off at church, letting the office know. The Deacons will deliver it. This small gesture will mean a lot to the recipients and what a wonderful way to show our Christian love. Bob Missler - Deacon Moderator

### Sunday Morning Worship

10:00 am

**May 4 / - Communion, Rev. Dave Bleivik**

**May 11 / - Rev. Dave Bleivik**

**May 18 / - Rev. Dave Bleivik**

**May 25 / - Rev. Dave Bleivik**

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## Our Vision

## Sent with a Prayer

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