

**Welcome to First Presbyterian Church where our motto is "Roots Down, Branches Out"  
Celebrating 125 years of Ministry on Morton Hill, since 1892**

*"In community we work out our connectedness to God, to one another, and to ourselves. It is in community where we find out who we really are....It is easy to talk about the love of God; it is another thing to grow mature and practice it." -- Joan Chichester*

**Sunday, August 5, 2018**

**11th Sunday After Pentecost**

**Announcements, Birthdays and Recognition of Visitors**

**Passing of the Peace of Christ**

**Elder Prayer Blessing**

Lois Peoples

**Prelude and Setting the Table for Worship**

**~ GOD GATHERS US ~**

**Call to Worship** *(Please stand in body or spirit) (taken from Psalm 5: The Message)*

One: Listen, God! Please, pay attention! We need your help.

**ALL: You are famous, God, for welcoming God-seekers, for decking us out in delight.**

One: Every morning you'll hear me at it again. I lay out the pieces of my life on your altar.

**ALL: You are famous, God, for welcoming God-seekers, for decking us out in delight.**

One: I enter your house; here I am. Waiting for directions to get me safely through enemy lines.

**ALL: You are famous, God, for welcoming God-seekers, for decking us out in delight.**

One: God, our Creator. Christ, our Savior. Spirit, our Comforter and Guide.

**ALL: Holy Three in One. We who are God-seekers have come to worship.**

**Opening Hymn** *(Please stand in body or spirit) God of the Sparrow*

Glory to God # 22

**Prayer of the Day** *(please remain standing in body or spirit)*

**~ WE HEAR GOD'S WORD ~**

**A Time for Young People**

Julie Brien

*Children 5 & under can go with Mrs. Lopez to the nursery. Kids K+ can get worship bags from coat rack at this time.*

**Song of Illumination**

*Spirit of the Living God*

Glory to God # 288

**Scripture**

**Exodus 16:1-16**

**Ephesians 4:4-8; 11-13**

*(After each scripture reading)*

One: This is the Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks Be to God**

**Sermon**

Nolan

*How We Get Over*

Minister Kyle

**~ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD ~**

**Song of Response**

*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

Glory to God # 65

**Special Music**

Marge Andersen

**Offering** *Nursery children collect quarters for our "Open Wide Our Front Door" and Ghana Mission. Youth Leave for ICE Class with Julie.*

**Offertory**

**Doxology** *(Please stand in body or spirit)*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

Praise Christ, all creatures here below

Praise Holy Spirit evermore

Praise Triune God, whom we adore, Amen

**Joys and Concerns**

**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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; 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 ~**

**Closing Hymn**

*Come! Live in the Light!*

Glory to God # 749

**Blessing**

**Benediction**

**Participants in Today's Service**

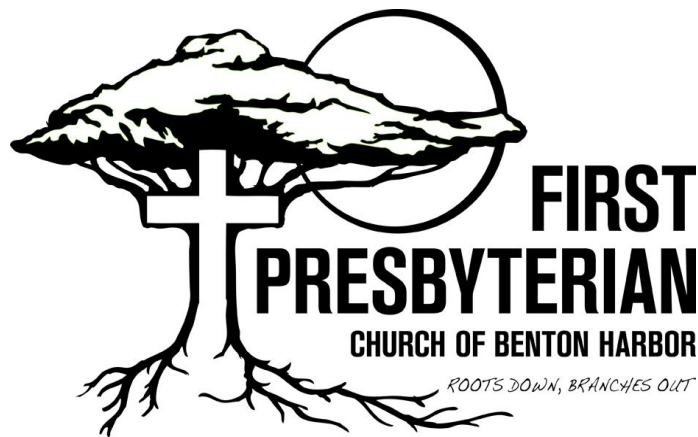
**Church Staff Members**

Worship Leader: Pastor Kyle Nolan  
Musicians: Susan Burkholz  
Children's Sermon: Julie Brien  
Worship Assistant: Jeannette Holton  
Nursery: Annabelle Lopez  
Greeters: Bob and Joan Judd  
Audio: Bob Ziebart, Gordon Helm and Ben Schadler  
Ministers: All the Church Members

Pastor: Rev. Laurie Hartzell  
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Doug Peterson  
Church Pianist: Susan Burkholz  
Music Minister: Nancy Thompson  
Youth Missioner: Julie Brien  
Youth Teacher: Gentry Phillips  
Custodians: Lee Hamilton and Charase Dorsey

### MISSION STATEMENT

*We of First Presbyterian Church of Benton Harbor are a small family of believers committed to bridging the gulf of racial and class separation. As a part of the body of Christ in Benton Harbor and acknowledging Christ's claim on our lives, our congregation is called to proclaim the Gospel and witness to Christ's love, both within the faith community and in our larger community. In doing this we will share our faith with openness, love, warmth and respect for the dignity and individuality of all people; we will welcome and value diversity; we will strive to meet the needs of people in our community for sustenance and nurturing and we will seek to deepen and broaden our own faith as we journey. We will do these through the doctrine and structures of the Presbyterian Church (USA).*



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