



## Welcome to Delta Presbyterian Church!

**Today, October 27, 2019, 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost.** The Scripture Lessons are 1 Timothy 2:1-7 and James 5:13-18, and the Proclamation of the Word is entitled: "Praying." Our monthly Taizé Prayer Worship service is at 6:30 pm.

**Point to Ponder:** This week, ask yourself, "Am I comfortable with the state of my prayer life?"

**Point of Action:** Pick one thing and do it to strengthen your prayer life.

### Meetings and Activities This Week

Today	20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
	10:00 am Worship
	6:30 pm Taizé Prayer Worship
Monday	9:30 am An Exercise in Yoga
	3:00 pm Mad Hatters
Wednesday	9:30 am Prayers & Squares
Thursday	7:45 pm Celebration Choir
Friday	12:00 pm Crafters set-up for Bazaar (until 5 pm)
Saturday	9:00 am Holiday Bazaar (until 3 pm)
Sunday	<i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i>
	21 <sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
	Change for Change
	10:00 am Worship

### Next Sunday

**Sunday, November 3, 2019, 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost.** The Scripture Lessons are 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 and Luke 19:1-10, and the Proclamation of the Word is entitled: "Which Came First?" We will collect our monthly Change for Change for children's ministry. *Daylight Saving Time ends. Don't forget to "fall back" and reset your clocks.*

### Announcements

**Let Us Know.** When you have prayer requests, would like a visit, are going to be out of town, or have a change in your contact information, please fill out a Communication Update form (next to the guest register) and place it in the box.

**Prayer Requests** may be made using several methods. You may call or email the office, send an email prayer request (look on back page of these announcements for details), or you may fill out a pink slip that is available at the Commitment Center and turn it in at either the sound desk or the church office.

**Weekly Reminders.** Delta sends out weekly email reminders of upcoming worship services and other events. If you are not currently receiving these emails and would like to, please contact the church office at [office@deltapresby.org](mailto:office@deltapresby.org) and we will add you to the list.

**Visit the Commitment Center** and sign up to:

- Help with **Sunday Coffee Hour**
- Support **Advent House Meals** (for the homeless in Lansing) by providing food, assembling sandwiches
- Fill out a Background Check form for **MSU Concessions**
- Work the **MSU Concession Stand**
- Pick up information on **Friday Night Fun**
- Help with the **Holiday Bazaar**

**Women of Delta – Need a ladies' night out?** The first Wednesday of every month, at 5:30 pm, the ladies of Delta meet at an area restaurant for dinner and conversation. We order off the menu, separate checks. The only requirement is that you email Bonnie Reemsnyder at [ourblessedhouse@aol.com](mailto:ourblessedhouse@aol.com) by Monday evening prior if you intend on coming. The November 6 meal will be at DeLuca's, 2006 W. Willow, Lansing, 5:30 pm.

**Fall worship series: Designed to Worship.** "Thou hast made us for thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in Thee." Augustine of Hippo  
There are action plans available at the Action Center (tables near the Pray Ground) that offer suggestions for things you can do at home to rest in God.

**Friday Night Fun.** Our next meeting is on Friday, November 8, 6-9 pm. It is a fun time for children ages 3 (and potty-trained) through elementary age. Check out our brochures at the Commitment Center! Our November 8 fun night will include stuffing stockings with travel-sized personal needs. We would appreciate any donations of colorful socks and travel-sized personal needs for this activity. These stuffed stockings will go to Advent House ministries.

**Taizé Prayer Worship** is TONIGHT, 6:30 pm. Come and experience the calming effect of meditation, Scripture, prayer, and singing.

**New Member Classes.** Are you interested in learning more about what it means to be a Presbyterian and a member of Delta? We will be talking about what it means at the Action Center following worship on November 10 & 17.

### Adult Education

**An Exercise in Yoga,** led by Jane Thomas, is on Mondays at 9:30 am. They meet downstairs, so please use the lower level entrance.

**Community Forum. Sunday November 17, 4-6 pm** **“Staying Hopeful: Focusing on Emotional Health As We Age”**

Mary Mareck, a retired geriatric mental health therapist, will help us look at some of the emotional aspects of aging: loss, grief, depression and anxiety. She will also focus on how emotional health can relate to physical changes as we age and why it is vital to pay attention to both. During this insightful look at the challenges to remaining emotionally healthy, look for humor and chocolate (!) to smooth the way! Mary has Masters’ Degrees in Counseling and Social Work.

### Opportunities to Serve at Delta and Beyond

**Coffee Hour.** We need people to provide food for and clean up after Coffee Hour. Please sign up at the Commitment Center.

**Mad Hatters,** knitting & crocheting service group, is meeting in the La Leche room downstairs on Mondays, 3-5 pm.

**Prayers and Squares** quilting group meets on Wednesdays, 9:30 am. The quilters are now selling raffle tickets for the quilt raffle that will take place on Saturday, November 2, at the Bazaar. Tickets are \$5.00 each or 5 tickets for \$20.00.

**Kids Hope, USA.** If you are interested in mentoring an at-risk child, please contact Jan or Roger Small, 323-9238.

**MSU Concession.** We need 22 people per game to staff the concession stand at MSU home football games. Please sign the game sign-up poster at the Commitment Center to help.

**Holiday Bazaar** will be on Saturday, November 2, 9 am-3 pm. We will be needing people to help with the cookie walk, concessions, set-up and clean-up. We will also need baked goods for the cookie walk. Sign-up sheets are at the Commitment Center.

**Paris to Pittsburgh.** There will be a free screening of the documentary film, **Paris to Pittsburgh** at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 29, at Studio C Theaters in Okemos. This film tells the stories of several Americans who are demanding and developing real solutions in the face of climate change. The Okemos screening is being sponsored by several local faith communities. Join in the conversation after the film.

**Mission Projects:** Thank you for all the new or like-new coats, new gloves/ mittens. In November, we will be collecting new, unwrapped toys for Toys for Tots.

## CHURCH STAFF

Wendy S. Pratt, Pastor  
Jane Elsinga, Clerk of Session  
Sarah Dymond, Handbell Choir Dir.  
Mark McElwee, Adult Choir Dir.      Frederick Isaac, Accompanist  
Fran Johnston, Financial Secretary      Joe Frick, Treasurer  
Art Kelley, Website Coordinator  
Jan & Roger Small, Program Co-Directors of KIDS HOPE USA  
Jane Thomas, Assistant Director of KIDS HOPE USA

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## SESSION MEMBERS

### Class of '19

Kerri Buchanan  
Doug Dykstra  
Sharon VanCourt

### Class of '20

Jane Elsinga  
Jane Thomas

### Class of '21

Meredith Jackson

## DEACONS

### Class of '19

Rhonda Fort  
Kris Fry  
Mark McElwee

### Class of '20

Holly Brock  
Jim Dexter  
Jon Vogler

### Class of '21

John Elsinga  
Jan Small

We want to minister to you and support you, so if you, someone in your family, or others are in the hospital or in need of a visit or prayer, please contact the office or your deacon.

**Email Prayers.** If you would like to receive email prayer requests, send an email to [deltaprays@gmail.com](mailto:deltaprays@gmail.com) indicating your interest. If you have a situation in need of prayer, send an email to [deltaprays@gmail.com](mailto:deltaprays@gmail.com) and we will send it out to those who have expressed a willingness to pray.

Wendy's day off is Friday. If you need to contact Wendy, her home phone is 721-1075, or she can be reached through e-mail at [wendy@deltapresby.org](mailto:wendy@deltapresby.org). Please feel free to contact her at any time if you have an emergency.

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## Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

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## Delta Presbyterian Church

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## Servants

### Lay Leaders

Today: Sharon VanCourt  
Nov. 3: Frank Jackson

### Door Greeters

Today: Seppalas  
Nov. 3: VanCourts

### Communion Servers

Sun., Nov. 24: Smalls, Brocks

## Prayer Care, October 27, 2019

Tom F., hospitalized at Sparrow (no visitors, please)  
Family of Ted O., Ted died Oct. 21, brother of Marianne O.  
Carolyn E., knee replacement recovery  
Sue & Jack K., health concerns  
Jillien B., blood disorder  
Flora G., back home from rehab  
Cris C., health concerns  
Vicki G., health concerns, friend of Jon & Meg Vogler  
Casey & Roy C., health & financial concerns, friend of Jon V.  
Nancy B., cancer in toe  
Yvonne A., health concerns, mother of Frederick I.

## Continuing Prayers, October 27, 2019

Kathy P., stroke recovery, rehab at Masonic Home, Alma  
Conway O., late-stage congestive heart failure, father of Marianne O.  
Holly L., health concerns  
Adam L., son of Roger & Holly L.  
Michael J., deployed on the battleship Abraham Lincoln, grandson of Flora G.  
Shirley, cancer treatment, neighbor of V.  
Kaleb B., non-Hodgkins lymphoma, 6 year old son of Todd and Dustie B., friends of Frank & Ellen J.

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**Cards may be sent** to Kathy Peters at: Kathy Peters, c/o Mike Peters, 980 W. Buchanan Rd., Ithaca, MI 48847

Each week, the Presbytery of Lake Michigan lifts one of our faith communities in prayer as part of their mission in Christ. This week, First Presbyterian Church, Grand Haven, MI, seeks prayers for their:



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Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

- **Master Planning.** The Session has started envisioning how we can do all ministries better, improving things like, but not limited to, empowerment, volunteer recruitment, and use of our facilities. **Please pray that we will clearly see God's vision and leading in this process.**
- **Belize Mission Trip.** A team is headed November 9-16 to work with Koinonia Ministries, a group passionate about outreach to children. **Pray the team will see what God is doing there and be humbled by the privilege to participate, and that relationships will deepen between our team, the children, and the ministry staff.**
- **Generosity Campaign.** The Generosity (or stewardship) Campaign in our church culminates in October. **Please pray that members will take a leap of faith in regard to their commitment of giving funds and time.**

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A church is, of course, not a building, but the very Body of Christ. We are Christ's mouth, hands, and feet called to be lights of the world. Jesus tells us, "In the same way, let your light shine before men and women, that they may see your good deeds, and give praise to your Father in heaven." Rev. William Ferry, who founded our church in 1836, offered some very specific challenges to his flock as he began his ministry:

- Do you regularly attend public worship?
- Are you training your children in the ways of the Lord?
- Do you regularly worship God in secret, pray fervently, and read the Bible?
- What are you doing for Christ and the souls of men and women?

We have sought to live up to that high spiritual calling, and the translate that spiritual depth into practical ministry and mission.

From "A History of First Presbyterian Church  
of Grand Haven"