

buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended to heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
 from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
 the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
 the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

THE CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH
 CONGREGATIONAL LIFE
 THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
 THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY "Father's Eyes" (Chapman)
 Solo: Lauren Corbin
 Guitar: David Blackburn

✦ DOXOLOGY "O Bless the Gifts" #817
 O bless the gifts our hands have brought;
 And bless the work our hearts have planned.
 Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;
 The rest, O God is in Your hand.

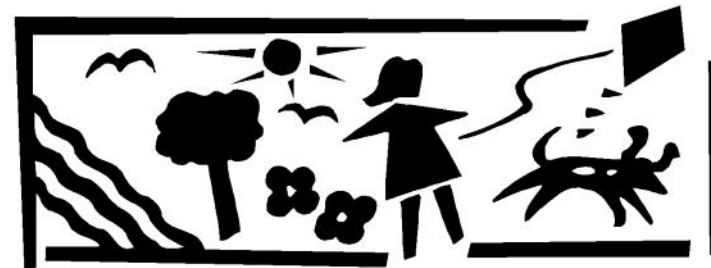
✦ PRAYER OF DEDICATION
 **You urge us to travel lightly and proclaim your peace.
 Relieve us of whatever hinders our mission, and give to us
 sustenance for the journey. The gifts we offer are symbols of
 our commitment; by whatever peace we foster, help us to
 heal antagonisms that divide your people; and may our
 actions provide hospitality even in the midst of hostility.**

* HALVERSON BENEDICTION

✦ HYMN "Seek Ye First" #713

✦ BENEDICTION

✦ POSTLUDE "Chorale Postlude" (Bach)



**See what love the
 Father has given us,
 that we should be
 called children of God.**

1 John 3:1, NRSV



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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Mark Gabbard

Music - Kay E. Boyne / Liturgist - Mark Strange

June 18, 2023

11th Sunday in ordinary time/Fathers Day



OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE "Faith of Our Fathers" (Hemy-Walton)
Organ/Piano: Jill Halsey

INTROIT "When I Look into Your Holiness" (Perrin)

CALL TO WORSHIP

What shall we return to you, O God, for all of your bounty to us?

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

O Lord, I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds.

I will give you thanksgiving and call on your name in the presence of all the people.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

✦ HYMN "Lead On, O King Eternal" #724

*A LITANY OF ASSURANCE

We boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

We also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance.

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Endurance produces character and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us.

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

✦ GLORIA PATRI "Glory Be to the Father" #812

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

Greet one another in Peace.

ANTHEM "Special Moments" (Perry)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(children are dismissed to the Classrooms for Sunday School)

THE WORD OF GOD

Gen. 18:1 – 15 (page 13 NT)

Romans 5:1 - 8 (pages 135 – 136. NT)

Matt. 9:35 - 10:1-15 (page 8 – 9, NT)

SERMON "She Laughed"

* HYMN "Nearer, My God, to Thee" #553

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Let us say what we believe.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was

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Church Staff

To Our Visitors

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 **Hearing Assistance**
 devices are available. If you would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.

Welcome! We are happy to have you worshipping with us today.


- ✦ Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM
(Children join the worship service for the first 15 minutes to hear the Children's Sermon)
- ✦ Sunday School - 10:15 AM
K through 12th Grade - all meet in lower level classrooms
- ✦ The nursery is available for your use during the worship service.
- ✦ An asterisk (*) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.
- ✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.
- ✦ Soup and Sandwich is held the 1st Sunday of each month in the Social Hall. Please join us!
- ✦ If you need the Pastor after hours, call Church Office to make appointment, or ask Nicole for Pastor Mark's cell phone number.

Please Silence
all electronics
prior to worship
service.



The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:
Invite people to know and glorify God
Grow together as followers of Christ
Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit

This Week's Calendar June 18 – June 25, 2023

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	
9:00am Coffee Hour (WR) 9:00am Choir Practice (S) 10:00am Worship Service 10:15am Sunday School 11:15am Deacons Meeting Happy Fathers Day!	7:00pm Boy Scout Troop #105 (SH) 5:30PM Session Meeting (WR)	12:00pm P.W. Luncheon 5:30pm Trustee Meeting	
Wednesday	 <i>Presbyterian Church (USA)</i>		
Friday			
9:00am Men's Bible Study (WR)	7:00pm A.A.	9:00am Coffee Hour (WR) 9:00am Choir Practice (S) 10:00am Worship Service 10:15am Sunday School	9:30am Textile



IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We ask that you remember these people in your prayers throughout the coming week:

Dolores Leuvoy, Patty Russell, Carolyn Trumble, Susan Alexander, Erick Florip, Terry Mason, Scott Wallace, Nellie Harrington, Aaron Corbiere, Carolyn Shaw, Della Porter, Gina Gough, Jon Burgess, Kimberly (Swick) Jewell, Jeffrey Burgess, Donna LaPlaunt, Sandy Shaw, Jane Kellan, William Kellan, Patricia Farnhill, Geraldine Carnahan, Lillian Donelson, Dave & Leslie Henderson, Tara Jean Brody, and all members of missionaries, and the U.S. Armed Forces.

Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.

If you would to add individuals to the prayer list or your prayers have been answered and you would like to be removed from the list, please contact the office



VISITORS, WELCOME TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too. Whether you're here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or call the church office. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

DEACON PRAYER CHAIN Please remember the Deacon Prayer Chain, if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers. Contact Jeanne Shibley at (906) 630-1707.

PRAYER REQUESTS We have Prayer Request slips available in the narthex, near the sanctuary doors. If you would like to request prayers today, please fill out a slip and hand it to one of the ushers prior to the service.

RIDES TO CHURCH If anyone needs a ride to church, please contact the church office before Friday of each week and the Deacons will arrange a pick up time.

BULLETIN BOARD Please visit the bulletin board across from the office for information concerning local events, news, and resources available in the community.

CHOIR PRACTICE Sunday at 9:00am in the Sanctuary; all are invited to come sing with us!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY With Presbytery Point Camp opening once again for the season, our June Monthly Mission will be to help them with needed supplies. A few suggestions are: food storage containers, white laundry baskets, 12 matching salt & pepper shakers or craft projects. There is also a listing of more items on the bulletin board across from the church office. As always, your help with these mission projects throughout the past years have been so appreciated by the recipients of your generosity. It's a good

feeling to know we are following Christ's command in loving and helping others in need. God Bless!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Will not be meeting until September, have a great summer!

FUPC MEETINGS Deacons will meet today at 11:15 am. Session will meet June 19 at 5:30 pm. Trustees will meet June 20th at 5:30 pm.

CELEBRATE SUMMER June 20, 2023 at 12:00 noon we will be hosting our second "Celebrate Summer" luncheon and social. We are inviting all local Sault Ste. Marie church women as well as all Presbyterian Women from Newberry east to DeTour/Neebish Island. We have a salad luncheon planned, which will be followed by two speakers: Tracy Holt from Hospice of the EUP and Brenda Ransom of HOPE. All FUPC women are invited and urged to come represent our church. Any questions please call Margaret Eagle at 906-259-5028 or Alegra Soorus at 906-632-3972. Mark your calendar now and come enjoy good food and fellowship.

PRESBYTERY POINT CAMP It is time to think about church camp! Presbytery Point is open and ready for the camping season. Registrations are now being accepted. Sign up is easy from the website at www.presbyterypoint.org and the church has scholarships to help pay half for your camper! Got questions and can't find the answers on the website? Let Brenda Ransom or Peggy Osborne know and they will help you out.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY Located at 115 Ashmun St. is holding an exhibit this month featuring Marcia Schreiner's matchbook collection, this is a temporary exhibit so come check it out before its too late!

RUMMAGE SALE 2023 Our PW Rummage Sale is officially in the planning stage with a date of August 5, 2023. We are hoping you will remember our event as you clean out your basements, attics, garages, sheds, and downsizing. This is one of the best fundraising events towards our yearly mission projects. Contact Doris or Anita for more information.



SERVING US THIS WEEK

Greeters: Julie Walsh & Margaret Eagle

Ushers: Charlie Zane, Margaret Money, Alegra Soorus, & Audrey Zane

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

Greeters: Julie Walsh & Margaret Eagle

Ushers: Cathy Akre, Cheryl Thoresen, & JoAnne Lussier

Last week's attendance: 94

Last week's offering: \$6,206