

**THE WEEK AHEAD...**

**Sunday, July 23 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

8:00 a.m. - Worship in the parlors -

Rev. Nicholas Cammarata

10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary -

Rev. Nicholas Cammarata

11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour by Gloria & Jack Truitt

11:30 a.m. - Christian Ed. meeting

6:00 p.m. - ACA

**Monday, July 24**

10:00 a.m. - Knitters and Wannabes

7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon

**Tuesday, July 25**

6:00 a.m. - Christian ethics study

7:00 a.m. - Men's Ministry

11:00 a.m. - Stephen's Ministry training

6:00 p.m. - ACA

**Wednesday, July 26**

11:00 a.m. - Staff meeting

**Thursday, July 27**

11:00 a.m. - Prayer Service

7:00 p.m. - GA & Gam-anon

**Sunday, July 30 - Eighth Sunday after Pentecost**

8:00 a.m. - Worship in the parlors -

Rev. Nicholas Cammarata

10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary -

Rev. Nicholas Cammarata

11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour by Faye Elder

6:00 p.m. - ACA

**Lectionary Readings for:  
Sunday, July 30, 2017**

Gen. 29:15-28

Psalms 105:1-11, 45b or Ps. 128

Rom. 8:26-39

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

**July 16, 2017 Attendance:**

8:00 a.m. - 6    10:00 a.m. - 124

Nursery - 5

**The DEACONS suggest...**

**Canned goods** are the donation choice for the month of **July** for the Salvation Army. Non-perishable food items are always welcome. *Thank you* for supporting this project!

(**Small toiletries** from motel stays are also greatly appreciated.)

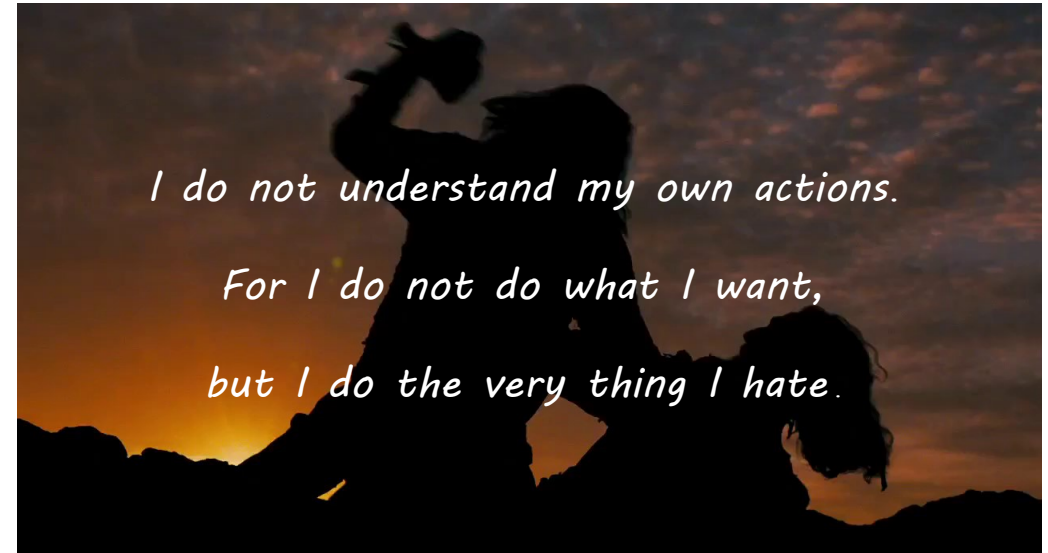
**FYI:** Updates on total giving are posted outside the main office throughout the year, and monthly income & expense detail are available in the church office.

*First Presbyterian Church of Marquette participates in a music*

*licensing agreement with CCLI license #2825067*

***Seventh Sunday after Pentecost***

***July 23, 2017***



*Welcome and welcome back to you who have come to worship with us today! We feel that worship begins best with a prayerful spirit. Many members use the music before the service as a time for meditation and preparation. If conversation or greeting is desired or necessary, would you please keep in mind the spirit of prayerful preparation.*

***First Presbyterian Church***

***120 N. Front Street***

***Marquette, Michigan 49855***

***Nicholas J. Cammarata, Pastor***

*“Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations”*



# First Presbyterian Church Marquette, MI

## WELCOME!

We sincerely welcome all those visitors who are sharing in this time of worship this morning. May God's presence be real, meeting us at our point of need. Please stand and introduce yourself during our time to welcome visitors and friends; sign the visitor card located at either end of the pews, then place it in the offering plate or in the black mailbox outside of the church office. If we can be of assistance to you, please tell the Pastor, an Usher, or any church member. Following worship, stay for *Coffee Hour* in the parlors directly behind the sanctuary. We look forward to seeing you again and often!

## WE CARE ABOUT CHILDREN

Activity bags are available in the Narthex for children to use during worship. A Nursery for infants and children is provided on the first floor. An Usher will be pleased to direct you. Children under age 5 are welcome!

## OUR INVITATION

If you are seeking a church home, we ask that you prayerfully consider joining this congregation. Please know that *YOU ARE WANTED!!* If you desire to do so, please speak with the Pastor following worship or call the church office at 226-6587 for an appointment.

## OUR MISSION AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives. As a community of faith, we commit to know, grow and show Christ's love to all through worship, education, and service.*



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In the event of an emergency, call Pastor Nick at 330-565-3112.

**Interested in becoming a member of First Presbyterian Church?** If so, please see Pastor Nick.

## FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

It's time again to update the *Church Directory*; please review your information and contact the church office if any updates in name, address, telephone number or email address are needed. Thank you!

Email addresses have changed for several members of the FPC staff. Please begin contacting Pastor Nick at [pastornjc@gmail.com](mailto:pastornjc@gmail.com), Financial Secretary Dave at [financefpcmqt@gmail.com](mailto:financefpcmqt@gmail.com) and Wendy in the church office at [firstpresbyterianmqt@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresbyterianmqt@gmail.com). Thank you.

## FROM MEMBERSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

Make some coffee and lemonade, bring some light snacks, then enjoy the fellowship of your church family on a Sunday... sign-up for *Coffee Hour*! We need individuals or groups to serve Coffee Hour through the summer months. Sign-up on the sheet by the kitchen door, in the parlors.

**Support First Presbyterian Church by purchasing Scrip:** Scrip is available in the church parlors every Sunday following worship or contact the church office to order during business hours. Scrip such as: Holiday Gas, Econo Foods, Marquette Food Co-op and Border Grill are available for immediate purchase. You get full face value and the church receives from 3-10% from the business. All profits go to the roof fund.

## FROM BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Our Waste Management dumpster can take paper, cardboard, plastic, glass, and metal. Bins have now been placed in both upstairs and downstairs kitchens to collect the recycled items, which can then be transferred to the dumpster. Let's recycle!

## SUMMER SHELTER

A Summer Shelter for the Marquette area homeless is being held this summer at area churches. To volunteer for shifts, please go to [www.SignUpGenius.com](http://www.SignUpGenius.com), click on magnifying glass icon and type in [SummerShelter@aol.com](mailto:SummerShelter@aol.com). You may download a volunteer orientation from each schedule there.

## FROM THE CE COFFEE STAND

Try some Equal Exchange coffee; our self-serve coffee stand has the right brew for you!

### **YOUR CHURCH STAFF:**

Christian Education Director - Jenny Cammarata  
Campus Ministry Director - Faye Elder  
Music Director - Griffin Candey  
Organist - Anne Perket/Sharon Aho Farrell  
Bell Choir Director - Dr. Andrew Poe

### **Pastor - Nicholas J. Cammarata**

Commissioned Lay Pastor - Darryl Small  
Office Manager - Wendy Maki  
Financial Secretary - David Kurtz  
Custodian - Karl Hemmila  
Nursery Facilitator - Amanda Fruehling



**Hearing devices** are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for help.  
**A wheelchair** is also available in the Narthex for assistance in entering and exiting the church.

**Knitters and Wannabes** meet **Mondays at 10:00 am** in the church parlors.

A Christian ethics study is being held on **Tuesday mornings at 6 am** in the church parlors, led by Pastor Nick. Anyone is welcome to attend.

The **Men's Ministry Group** meets **Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:00 am**.

A **Stephen's Ministry** is being organized here at First Presbyterian Church. A training class continues Tuesdays from 11 am - 3 pm, at the church. For more information, please contact Rev. Gary Stevens at [dedriverafter@wildblue.net](mailto:dedriverafter@wildblue.net).

A **Prayer Service** is in the Chancel on **Thursdays at 11:00 am**.



### Presbytery Point Camp Schedule

**July 22 - Aug. 15 Guest Campers** Welcome **Superior String Alliance** campers & staff!

**Aug. 18 - 20 80th Anniversary Camp** for Alumni, families and friends.

**Aug. 20th - 80th Anniversary Worship and Open House**

**Sept. 24 - 30 Fall Work Camp** help prepare the camp for the off-season.

### SENIOR EXCURSION

Are you interested in a city bus tour with a guide to point out things of interest? The date will be scheduled in August and we can help with transportation. The cost is \$20 but we can pay \$10 if you need us to. Prepayment is required. Call Carolyn at 250-0280 if interested.

**Spread some summer warmth...** send a card to some of our shut in members. See the list of names our C.L.P. Darryl Small has left on the main Hall table : )

**ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS!** We would love to have vases of fresh flowers from your garden to grace the Chancel during summer Sunday services. No need to sign up, just bring them (there can never be too many!) and place them in the Sanctuary before 4 pm Friday. Thank you for sharing!

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION ELDERS:** class of '18: Duane Gooch, Shannon Levra, Sue Manson; '19: Faye Elder, Cathy Enright, Taylor Klipp, Andy Poe; '20: Greg Bambach, Bill Houghton, Pete Premeau, Paul Schloegel

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BOARD OF DEACONS:** class of '18: Dan Barrington, Joe Boyle, Lou Ann Jaklin, Susan Payant; '19: Barb Gooch, Chad Larsen, John Levra, Beverly Tobin; '20 Sara Bednarek, Connie Kuzak, Mike Kuzak, David Payant.

## WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

*July 23, 2017*

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME TO VISITORS AND FRIENDS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Blessed Assurance/What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Liturgist: Dave Payant  
*arr. Joan Cupp*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Rejoice, people of God! The Lord knows you completely.

**People: You know when we sit down and when we rise up.**

Leader: Rejoice, people of God! The Lord knows you completely.

**People: Where can we go from God's spirit?**

Leader: Rejoice, people of God! The Lord knows you completely.

**People: God's hand leads us no matter where we go, near or far.**

Leader: Rejoice, people of God! The Lord knows you completely.

**People: Search us, God. Know our hearts.**

\*HYMN #420

"God of Grace and God of Glory"  
 CWM RHONDDA

\*OPENING PRAYER (*in unison*)

**We come before you with hearts full of thanks and praise. We give you thanks for this day, for this community of faith, for the people in our lives who challenge us, bless us and make us grow in faith. Assure us now, God, that we are your beloved children, adopted into the holy family of faith through Christ Jesus. Give us the strength we need this day and every day. Guide our lives so that we may be a blessing and bring honor and glory to you. AMEN.**

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

**God of love and mercy, we come to you today, our hearts heavy with the words we have spoken and the deeds we have done that have disappointed you. Bring our awareness to you, God. Help us to remember that wherever we are and whatever we are doing, you are there with us. Search our hearts this morning, God, and weed out those thoughts and deeds that bring dishonor to you and to us. Forgive us where we have failed you and make your presence so real in each moment of our lives, that our thoughts and actions will be filled with your spirit. AMEN.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #579

**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.**

*\* Those who are able may stand.*

PSALM

*Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24*

Leader: O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

**People: You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.**

Leader: You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

**People: Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.**

Leader: You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

**People: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.**

Leader: Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

**People: If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.**

Leader: If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

**People: even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.**

Leader: If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night,"

**People: even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.**

Leader: Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts.

**People: See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.**

Leader: This is the word of the LORD.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS ~ *If you have a prayer request, joy, or concern, please stand, say your name and speak directly into the microphone so all can hear you.*

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

\*THE PEACE Please greet one another, within reach, saying, "Peace be with you."

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN

*(Children will remain in worship this morning)*

ENGAGING THE TEXT

OLD TESTAMENT READING *(pew Bible, p. 3)*

*Genesis 4:2-10*

NEW TESTAMENT READING *(pew Bible, p. 157)*

*Romans 7:15-25*

SERMON "When Life Appears Larger Than God"

Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata

\*HYMN #384 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"  
ST. MARGARET

\* *Those who are able may stand.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR TITHES AND OFFERING *(in unison)*

**Father you have granted us many blessings, whether it is material or spiritual wealth. For this we offer thanks and return a portion of those blessings for your mission in our world. Generous God, help us to understand the true meaning of your blessings —that they are not in earthly possessions, but in your presence and your promise in our lives. Use us to bless others. AMEN.**

OFFERTORY

"Jesus, Name Above All Names"

*Nadia Hearn*

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY #592 (Old Hundredth)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*HYMN #543

"Abide With Me"

EVENTIDE

\*INVITATION TO HOSPITALITY

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"God of Great and God of Small"

*Natalie Sleeth*

<b>SERVING TODAY</b>			
Leading Worship:	<i>Rev. Nicholas Cammarata</i>	Acolytes:	<i>Summer break</i>
Music Director:	<i>Griffin Candey</i>	Greeters:	<i>Bob &amp; Crystal Swanson</i>
Organist/Pianist:	<i>Sharon Aho Farrell</i>	Ushers:	<i>Cathy Crimmins and Carolyn McDonald</i>
Liturgist:	<i>Dave Payant</i>	Counters:	<i>Greg Bambach, Taylor Klipp</i>
Psalm Reader:	<i>Youth Volunteer</i>	Secure Building:	<i>Jim Enright</i>
Children's Message:	<i>Jenny Cammarata</i>	Nursery:	<i>Amanda Fruehling</i>
Way of the Child:	<i>None today</i>		

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