

THE WEEK AHEAD...

Sunday, January 7 - Baptism of the Lord Communion

- 8:00 a.m. - Worship in the parlors -
Rev. Nicholas Cammarata
- 9:00 p.m. - Sunday School Adult & Youth
- 10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary -
Rev. Nicholas Cammarata
- 11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour by John Sonderegger
- 6:00 p.m. - Sr. High youth meet
- 6:00 p.m. - ACA

Monday, January 8

- 10:00 a.m. - Knitters and Wannabes
- 12:00 p.m. - Century Club
- 12:30 p.m. - January Series
- 7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon

Tuesday, January 9

- 6:00 a.m. - Christian Ethic Study
- 7:00 a.m. - Men's Ministry
- 10:00 a.m. - Rachel Circle meets
- 12:30 p.m. - January Series
- 6:00 p.m. - Session meets
- 6:00 p.m. - ACA
- 7:00 p.m. - Marquette Male Chorus

Wednesday, January 10

- 11:00 a.m. - Staff meeting
- 12:30 p.m. - January Series
- 5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live
- 6:15 p.m. - Bell Choir
- 7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 11

- 11:00 a.m. - Prayer Service in the Chancel
- 12:30 p.m. - January Series
- 2:00 p.m. - Rachel Circle meets
- 5:00 p.m. - Membership Committee meets
- 6:00 p.m. - Stephen's Ministry training
- 7:00 p.m. - GA & Gam-anon

Friday, January 12

- 12:30 p.m. - January Series

Sunday, January 14 - 2nd Sunday after Epiphany Room at the Inn begins

- 8:00 a.m. - Worship in the parlors -
Rev. Nicholas Cammarata
- 9:00 p.m. - Sunday School Adult & Youth
- 10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary -
Rev. Nicholas Cammarata
- 11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour by Wendy Maki
- 6:00 p.m. - RATI**
- 6:00 p.m. - ACA

Lectionary Readings for: Sunday, January 14, 2018

I Sam. 3:1-10, (11-20)

Psalm 139

I Cor. 6:12-20

John 1:43-51

December 31, 2017 Attendance:

8:00 a.m. - no service

10:00 a.m. - 60 Nursery - 0

The DEACONS suggest...

Soup & chili supplies are the donation choices for the month of **January** for the Salvation Army. Non-perishable food items are always welcome.

Thank you for your support!

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

Baptism of the Lord

January 7, 2018



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.

On November 5, 2017 Devin Patrick Kelley shot and killed 26 worshipers and wounded many others at the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs, Texas. We are putting together a notebook expressing our support for this church and community. Please express yourself in the notebook as you see fit. Write a note. Draw a picture. Compose a poem. Whatever. We will mail the book to First Baptist in January. You will find the notebook is on the buffet in the parlors.

Thank you to all those who contributed to the generous Christmas gifts shared by the staff. We appreciate the recognition and support of the work that we do for God, our church and church family. Sincerely, ~ Griffin, Anne, Andy, Jenny, Dave, Karl, Faye, Amanda & Wendy

Donations for First Presbyterian Church Downstairs Kitchen Equipment Upgrades---

Garry & Wilma Koehn have generously offered to match another \$1,000.00 in donations for the downstairs kitchen renovation. Please make a donation and note the memo or mark it in a sealed envelope as "Church Kitchen Equipment Upgrade." Thank you!

FROM SOCIAL EDUCATION & ACTION

The *SE&A Committee* is collecting gently used or new winter coats and outerwear, in all sizes, both men's and women's, for our local Great Lakes Recovery Center. Please bring your donations to the collection box in the Main Hall. Thank you.

The new **2018 Flower Chart** is now hanging in the Main Hall; please sign up for a Sunday in the new year and dedicate your arrangement to someone you love.

MISSION SUPPORT

The **Per Capita for 2018** will be **\$38.00**, please pay your per capita by December 31, 2018.

FROM MEMBERSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

Scrip is available in the church parlors every Sunday after worship. Some, such as: Holiday Gas, Econo Foods, Marquette Food Co-op and Border Grill are available for immediate purchase. Other cards can be pre-ordered on Sunday or during the week by completing a Scrip Order Form in the office and will be available the following Sunday. You get full face value and the church receives from 3-15% from the business. All profits go towards the roof fund. Thanks for your support!

FROM THE CE COFFEE STAND

Try some Equal Exchange coffee today or give coffee for gifts! The following organic flavors are offered: Ethiopian, Columbian, Proud Mama, Mind, Body & Soul, Love Buzz and Organic Decaf. Warm up with some fair trade coffee and support not only the small farmers who grow it, but also our our summer youth mission trip.

YOUR CHURCH STAFF:

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

Pastor - Nicholas J. Cammarata

Office Manager - Wendy Maki
Financial Secretary - David Kurtz
Custodian - Karl Hemmila
Nursery Facilitator - Amanda Fruehling



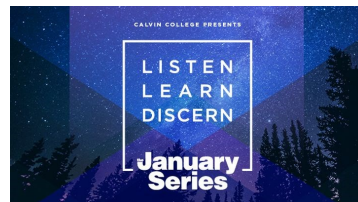
Hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for help.
A wheelchair is also available in the Narthex for assistance in entering and exiting the church.

The Sr. High Youth meets this evening at 6:00 pm downstairs in room B.

Join the **Knitters & Wannabes** meet **Mondays**, at **10:00 am** in the church parlors.

The Christian ethics study with Pastor Nick resumes **Tuesday, January 9th at 6:00 am**.
 The **Men's Ministry Group** meets **Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:00 am**.

The Calvin College live internet event, "**January Series**" continues weekdays through **January 23rd, 12:30-1:30 pm** at FPC. Twelve days of a free liberal arts education. See the events schedule in the Main hall. Coffee will be served.



Chip O'Neil will lead discussion on Lesson #5, "In Community with Traditions of the Past," for **Rachel Circle** on **January 9th at 10:00 am** in the church Library. Vivian Lasich will hostess the refreshments. Responding to Isaiah's invitation to arise, shine, your light has come, Presbyterian Women will attend the 2018 church wide gathering of Presbyterian Women in Louisville, KY this August. They will also celebrate the 30th anniversary of Presbyterian Women.

Please see **THE WEEK AHEAD...** or the online church calendar for Committee meeting times.

Wednesday Night Live resumes on **January 17th at 5:30 pm**, come for dinner and fellowship.

Bell Choir rehearsals are **Wednesdays, at 6:15 pm** in the Sanctuary.

Chancel Choir rehearsals are **Wednesdays at 7:30 pm** in the choir room.

Anyone who would like to play bells, or sing, is welcome to join the church choirs.

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

The **Rachel Circle** ladies meet for study and fellowship on **Thursday, January 11th, at 2:00 pm**, in the church Library.

FPC will host **Room at the Inn** next **January 14th - 20th** with set-up on Saturday, January 13th.
HELP IS NEEDED: Please volunteer for a shift, to prepare a meal, to bring snacks or to do laundry. Sign-up sheets are on the parlor buffet. If you cannot volunteer, donate \$ to RATI and support this important community ministry. Questions? Call John Sonderegger at 906 361-3241.

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

Baptism of the Lord

January 7, 2018

GATHERING MUSIC
 WELCOME TO VISITORS AND FRIENDS
 ANNOUNCEMENTS
 PRELUDE

Liturgist: Connie Kuzak
John Leavitt

"Epiphany"

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lost . . .

People: wandering without purpose, meaning, value, acceptance, or place.

Leader: We wander lost. But the Spirit of God descends like a dove upon us.

We hear the ancient words that name and claim us as children of God.

People: We are cleansed, refreshed, and made new in the love of those words.

*HYMN #61

"'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime"
 UNE JEUNE PUCELLE

*OPENING PRAYER

God of creation, who brought forth light from darkness, we are your creation.

May we feel the wind of the Spirit moving and know that your gift of life is upon us.

Praise God! AMEN.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You call us home to live with you, comfort of the lost, but we are too busy to listen.

We flock to the stores run by temptation and seduction, seeking the best deal. We rush to judge everyone around us, but ask you to be more patient with our repeated errors.

We feast at the table piled high with broken promises and drink from the cup of fading dreams. Yet you continue to cry out to us, speaking to us of your love. Forgiveness is the gift for every moment, not just one day; hope is our constant companion as we journey with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who is your messenger of mercy.

*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.*

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name; worship the LORD in holy splendor.

Leader: The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

People: The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

Leader: The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

People: He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

Leader: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

People: The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

Leader: The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

People: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.

Leader: May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace! This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

"Awaken and Prepare Us"

Mark Hayes

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children will remain in worship this morning)

ENGAGING THE TEXT

OLD TESTAMENT READING *(pew Bible, p. 323)*

I Kings 17:1-7

NEW TESTAMENT READING *(pew Bible, p. 34)*

Mark 1:1-13

SERMON

"Finding Treasure on a Scavenger Hunt"

Rev. Nicholas Cammarata

*THE APOSTLES' CREED (Traditional, Hymnal p. 14)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation and Words of Institution

Sharing of the Elements

(Please eat the bread after receiving it. This shows our personal relationship with Christ.)

(Please hold the cup until all have been served. This shows our unity and oneness in the spirit.)

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Lord's Prayer

POST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Sung three times. Please stand at the third round.

"Alleluia," words and music by Jerry Sinclair, 1972 Manna Music, Inc.

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

O Lord, giver of life, you effortlessly created light in the darkened void of our beginning universe. Today, this light continues to fill the shapeless recesses of our lives. Multiply these gifts so your beacon of light shines in every corner of the Earth. May people everywhere receive your light with praise and thanksgiving. We ask this prayer in the name of the one who proclaimed transforming redemption, Christ Jesus. AMEN.

OFFERTORY

"Kyrie"

John Leavitt

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 #63

"As with Gladness Men of Old"

DIX

*INVITATION TO HOSPITALITY

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Joy Unceasing and Infinite Praise"

Tom Birchwood

On the first Sunday of each month all loose currency and other funds so designated, go to the Deacons' Fund. On a case by case basis, the Deacons assist those in need throughout our community. Thank you for your generosity.

| SERVING TODAY | | | |
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| Leading Worship: | <i>Rev. Nicholas Cammarata</i> | Acolytes: | <i>Youth Volunteers</i> |
| Music Director: | <i>Griffin Candey</i> | Greeters: | <i>Dani & Simon Jaklin</i> |
| Organist: | <i>Anne Perket</i> | Ushers: | <i>Ann & Alex Levra</i> |
| Liturgist: | <i>Connie Kuzak</i> | Counters: | <i>Cathy Enright,</i> |
| Psalm Reader: | <i>Katja Tuuri</i> | Secure Building: | <i>Barb Bennett</i> |
| Children's Message: | <i>Jenny Cammarata</i> | Nursery: | <i>Amanda Fruehling</i> |
| Way of the Child: | | | |

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