

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, July 22 - Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. - Worship in the Parlors -
Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata
10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary -
Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata
11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour by Ian McCombie
11:15 a.m. - New Membership Luncheon
5:00 p.m. - Youth Group
6:00 p.m. - ACA
7:00 p.m. - ACT Support Group meets

Monday, July 23

10:00 a.m. - Knitters and Wannabes
7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon

Tuesday, July 24

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

Wednesday, July 25

5:00 p.m. - Building & Grounds Committee

Thursday, July 26

11:00 a.m. - Prayer Service
7:00 p.m. - GA & Gam-Anon

Friday, July 27

Saturday, July 28

Sunday, July 29 - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. - Worship in the Parlors
10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary
11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour
6:00 p.m. - ACA
7:00 p.m. - ACT Support Group

LECTIONARY READINGS for SUNDAY, JULY 29, 2018:

2 Samuel 11:1-15
Psalm 14
Ephesians 3:14-21
John 6:1-21

JULY 15, 2018 ATTENDANCE:

8:00 am - 13 10:00 am - 94
Nursery - 6

THE DEACONS SUGGEST...

Peanut Butter as the donation choice of the month for the Salvation Army. Non-perishable food items are always welcome. **Small toiletries** from motel stays are always greatly appreciated! Thank you for supporting this project!

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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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FROM WORSHIP AND MUSIC

Any announcements to be made during Sunday's service should be cleared in advance with that Sunday's Liturgist (pulpit associate). Thank you.

We need volunteers to operate the Sound Board on Sundays! Please sign-up on the clipboard located in the church office. If you are interested in learning how to operate the Sound Board equipment, contact the church office. Thank you.

FROM MISSION SUPPORT

Every Presbyterian church is apportioned a share of the presbytery, the synod and the General Assembly expense for ecclesiastical purposes. The apportionment is based on church membership and the amount to be paid this year per member is \$38.00. Please cover your per capita share.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Please consider volunteering at your church. Committees can always use new members and fresh perspectives. Hosting our *Coffee Hour*, helping in the *Nursery* or at *Way of the Child* can be fun; usher or greet on a Sunday, or take a RATI shift when we host. Find your way to make a difference. Live out a new life in Christ by volunteering at your church.

Support First Presbyterian Church by Purchasing Scrip: Scrip is available in the church parlors every Sunday after worship. Holiday Gas, Econo Foods, Marquette Food Co-op and Border Grill Scrip are available for immediate purchase. Others can be pre-ordered on Sunday or during the week by completing a Scrip Order Form in the office and will then be available the following Sunday. You get full face value and the church receives 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! Our self-serve coffee stand has the right brew for you: *French Roast, Columbian, Mind, Body and Soul, African Roots*, a few *Breakfast Blends*, and FPC favorites: *Sisters Blend, Congo* and *Proud Mama* just to name a few. See you at the stand!

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 - Lori Hicks
Financial Secretary - David Kurtz
Custodian - Karl Hemmila
Nursery Facilitator - Amanda Fruehling

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION ELDERS: Class of '19: Faye Elder, Cathy Enright, Taylor Klipp, Andy Poe; '20: Greg Bambach, Bill Houghton, Peter Premeau, Paul Schloegel; '21 George Carnahan, Shannon Levra, Kelsey Nordengren.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BOARD OF DEACONS: Class of '19: Joe Boyle, Barb Gooch, Chad Larsen, John Levra, Beverly Tobin; '20 Connie Kuzak, Mike Kuzak, David Payant; '21 Dan Barrington, Wendy Maki, Susan Payant.



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.

A LUNCHEON FOR OUR NEW MEMBERS will be held today following worship.

SUMMER SHELTER PROGRAM IS CURRENTLY BEING HELD AT FPC THRU OCTOBER 7, 9:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m. Volunteers & donation items are needed: *disposable wipes, hygiene products, Gatorade or similar beverages, granola bars, financial donations.* If you are interested in volunteering or donating, please call Kim Frost at 458-1382. Thank you!



STEPHEN MINISTRIES is now active in our church! Stephen Ministries is laypeople - Christian men and women - trained to provide one-to-one care to people experiencing difficult times such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, relocation or separation due to military deployment, etc.

Stephen Ministers come from all walks of life and share a passion for bringing Christ's love and care to people during times of need. Stephen Ministries is confidential. Discussions between a Stephen Minister and care receiver remain between them - nothing is shared. Stephen Ministries is Spirit lead and can be long or short term. It is a gift from your church family and may be just right for you. To inquire, call the church office or Gary Stevens at 250-9094.



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 (there can never be too many!). Just place them in the Sanctuary before 4:00 p.m. on Friday. *Thank you for sharing!*

KNITTERS & WANNABES meet on Mondays at 10:00 a.m.

MEN'S MINISTRY meets on Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m.

THE WEEK AHEAD and the Church Calendar on the FPC website list committee meeting times and other scheduled events. Please visit our website at www.firstpresbyterianmq.com!

REMINDER: If you are planning a future meeting or event, please contact the church office as soon as possible to get it on the church calendar.

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME TO VISITORS AND FRIENDS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Trumpet Tune and Air”

Liturgist: Cheryl Churack
by Henry Purcell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Neighbors and newcomers, families and strangers,

People: we gather in this place built by God's steadfast love.

Leader: Strugglers and stragglers, pilgrims almost at the end of the journey,

People: each of us seeks to follow Jesus, the compassionate One.

Leader: Builders of bridges in fractured communities, those who stand on either side of walls of fear,

People: the Spirit of faithfulness calls us to live as one people – God's people!

*HYMN #263

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

ST. DENIO

*OPENING PRAYER *(in unison)*

God of aliens and strangers: make the doors of this church wide enough so that all find a welcome, a home, a haven, a heart. Christ of the near and those who are far off: make our hearts wide enough so that all might find a place in this household of faith. Welcoming Spirit of saints and sinners: open our arms wide enough so that all - the guest, the neighbor, the child, the widow, the politician, the homeless, the brother, the sister - may be embraced by your love and grace. God in Community, Holy in One, open your arms wide enough to enfold us in your heart, AMEN.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(in unison)*

Steadfast God, we confess that we are so busy putting up walls between ourselves and others, we cannot see the home you are building for all of us. We spend so much time noting the differences between us and others, while you are embracing everyone as your child. We run to welcome those who look, talk, and act like us, and you throw open your doors to the stranger, the alien, in our midst. Forgive us, Faithful Heart. By your grace, help us to see the household you are building for all people: there are no plastic protectors on the furniture; there are no rooms that are off-limits; and even the smallest child is welcome to sit at the big peoples' Table and be fed by your grace. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our peace, our hope, our Lord, our Savior. AMEN.

** Those who are able may stand.*

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Do you remember? At one time, you were without Christ; you were the stranger, the outsider, and the alien. But now, in Christ, you have been brought home, living in God's household of hope and peace.

People: God's covenant with us is everlasting; God's steadfast love is forever; God's forgiveness makes us new and whole. Thanks be to God. AMEN.

*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.

PSALM

Psalm 24

Leader: I have found my servant David; with my holy oil I have anointed him;

People: my hand shall always remain with him; my arm also shall strengthen him.

Leader: The enemy shall not outwit him, the wicked shall not humble him.

People: I will crush his foes before him and strike down those who hate him.

Leader: My faithfulness and steadfast love shall be with him; and in my name his horn shall be exalted.

People: I will set his hand on the sea and his right hand on the rivers.

Leader: He shall cry to me, 'You are my Father, my God, and the Rock of my salvation!'

People: I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth.

Leader: Forever I will keep my steadfast love for him, and my covenant with him will stand firm.

People: I will establish his line forever, and his throne as long as the heavens endure.

Leader: If his children forsake my law and do not walk according to my ordinances,

People: if they violate my statutes and do not keep my commandments,

Leader: then I will punish their transgression with the rod and their iniquity with scourges;

People: but I will not remove from him my steadfast love, or be false to my faithfulness.

Leader: I will not violate my covenant, or alter the word that went forth from my lips.

People: Once and for all I have sworn by my holiness; I will not lie to David.

Leader: His line shall continue forever, and his throne endure before me like the sun.

People: It shall be established forever like the moon, an enduring witness in the skies."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN

(Children will remain in worship)

ENGAGING THE TEXT

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS *(pew Bible p.97)*
(pew Bible p.79)
(pew Bible p.82)

John 6:1-14
Luke 15:30-32
Luke 19:5-10

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SERMON

"Beyond Belief"

Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata

*HYMN (insert)

"Spirit of the Living God"
LIVING GOD

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

Because you have compassion on us, Steadfast Love, you do not hold anything back, but fill us with your good gifts. May we share from our abundance, as well as from our need, so our offerings might be an enduring witness to your hope, your peace, and your healing for all. AMEN.

OFFERTORY

"Simple Gifts"

Shaker Hymn
arr. Patricia Harris

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 #333

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"
LAFFERTY

*INVITATION TO HOSPITALITY

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

by Henry Smart

SERVING TODAY			
Leading Worship:	<i>Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata</i>	Acolytes:	<i>Summer Break</i>
Music Director:	<i>Griffin Candey</i>	Greeters:	<i>Tom & Sue Manson</i>
Organist:	<i>David Ray</i>	Ushers:	<i>Jim & Cathy Enright</i>
Liturgist:	<i>Cheryl Churack</i>	Counters:	<i>Jack Truitt, Crystal Swanson</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>