

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, June 20 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. - Worship in the Sanctuary
 Rev. Gary I. Stevens
 (no coffee hour at this time)

Monday, June 21

7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon

Tuesday, June 22

9:00 a.m. - Men's Ministry
 12:00 p.m. - Women's AA
 6:00 p.m. - Campus Ministry

Wednesday, June 23

Thursday, June 24

12:00 p.m. - Women's AA
 4:00 p.m. - MAPS Meeting
 7:00 p.m. - GA & Gam-Anon

Friday, June 25

Saturday, June 26

10:30 a.m. - AA Big Book Meeting

Sunday, June 27 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. - Worship in the Sanctuary
 Rev. Gary I. Stevens
 (no coffee hour at this time)

**LECTIONARY READINGS for
 SUNDAY, JUNE 27, 2021:**

2 Corinthians 8:7-15
 Mark 5:21-43

ATTENDANCE:

JUNE 6: 62
 JUNE 13: 61

THE DEACONS SUGGEST...

donations of non-perishable food items for the food pantry and/or monetary donations to help individuals needing rent or utility bill assistance. Thank you!

SERVING TODAY

Leading Worship:	<i>Rev. Gary I. Stevens</i>	Acolytes:	<i>FPC Youth</i>
Music Director:	VACANT	Greeters:	<i>Crystal S.</i>
Bell Choir Director:	<i>Dr. Andrew Poe</i>	Secure Building:	<i>Karl Hemmila</i>
Organist:	<i>Anne Perket</i>	Other Volunteers:	<i>Barb B., Kelsey N.</i>
Liturgist:	<i>John Sonderegger</i>		
Children's Message:	<i>Kelsey Nordengren</i>		

4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 20, 2021



*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 prior to the service as a time for meditation and preparation. If conversation or greeting is desired or necessary, please keep in mind the spirit of prayerful preparation.*

***First Presbyterian Church
 120 N. Front Street
 Marquette, Michigan 49855
 Gary I. Stevens, 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 black mailbox outside of the church office. Offerings can be placed in the blue box on the wall in the sanctuary following worship. *Coffee Hour in the parlors* will resume at a later date. If we can be of assistance to you, please tell the Pastor, an Usher, or any church member. 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. *The Nursery* for infants and children will resume at a later date. An Usher will be pleased to direct you.

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 call the church office or drop a note in the mailbox outside of the office if you are interested in learning how to operate the Sound Board equipment.

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 for year 2021 is \$38.00 per member - the same amount as year 2020. Please cover your per capita share. Thank you.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Please consider volunteering at your church. **We are looking for volunteers to help us with greeting and post-worship sanitizing on Sundays!** Please call the church if you are interested. 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, or by calling the office for a scrip order form. Holiday Gas, Econo Foods, Marquette Food Co-op, Border Grill, Huron Mountain Bakery, and others! You get full face value and the church receives 3-10% from the business. All profits go towards the FPC Reserve (sinking) fund. Thanks for your support!

FROM THE CE COFFEE STAND

PLEASE CONSIDER BUYING YOUR COFFEE HERE! Available is: *Mama Tierra, Cozy Cup, Organic Decaf, French Roast, Love Buzz & Breakfast Blend, and others.* Your purchase empowers women coffee growers and protects lands in Central America. Our youth make \$1.00 per bag, and you support fair trade growers around the world.

YOUR CHURCH STAFF:

Christian Education Director - Kelsey Nordengren
Campus Ministry Directors - Ryan Redmond
Music Director - VACANT
Organist - Anne Perket
Bell Choir Director - Dr. Andrew Poe

Pastor - Rev. Gary I. Stevens

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION ELDERS: Faye Elder, Andy Poe, Greg Bambach, Mary Craik, George Carnahan, Kelsey Nordengren, John Sonderegger.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BOARD OF DEACONS: Connie Kuzak, Mike Kuzak, David Payant, Susan Payant, Dan Barrington., Ryan Redmond.



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.



OPERATION
ReEngage

NOW IS THE TIME TO RE-ENGAGE! PLEASE JOIN US!

PLEASE VOLUNTEER to help us get back to full-swing and “lift up” the church and each other! Can you help greet or sanitize on Sundays? Are you creative and have ideas of how you can help our re-opening be a success?

Please call Crystal Swanson at 225-0595 or the church if you are interested.

CHURCH COMMITTEES / GROUPS: Plan when you can meet and set the date on the church calendar. What should your focus be at this time? Does your committee need more members? Do you need a leader / chair? Rev. Stevens will be happy to hear from you!

CHURCH ELDERS AND DEACONS are also needed. If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please contact the church office.

AFTER WORSHIP COFFEE HOUR will resume at a later date.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL is cancelled for June 20 and 27, and resumes on July 4.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL has concluded for the summer.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL will be held virtually **July 19 - 22**. The theme is “Minute To Win It: Faith Addition”. Contact Kelsey at firstpresmqtc@gmail.com.

MEN'S MINISTRY meets on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. Please join us!

BELL CHOIR meets on Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m.

WOMEN'S AA now meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Noon in the parlors.

THE KNITTERS will resume meeting at the church later this summer.

PRESBYTERY POINT CAMP Hosts Retreat Week **June 27 - July 3!** Anyone is welcome to reserve one night or more. Dining hall & waterfront are open. Call Jenna T. at 906-869-0925.

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

4th Sunday After Pentecost ~ Sunday, June 20, 2021

GATHERING MUSIC
WELCOME TO VISITORS AND FRIENDS
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist: John Sonderegger

PRELUDE

“Here I Am, Lord”

arr. John Carter

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Those who know your name put their trust in you, O Lord.

People: For you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion.

People: We will declare your wonderful deeds among all the people.

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN #466

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

AZMON

*OPENING PRAYER *(in unison)*

You are great, O God, and deserving of praise. Your works attest to your grandeur; your love exceeds comprehension. Wherever we look, we see signs of your splendor; the good that we do is a result of your grace. You fill your sanctuary with the presence of your Holy Spirit; you send your Word, Jesus, to dwell in our midst. We are surrounded by testimony to your loving goodness; we bow down before you and give you our praise. AMEN.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

Leader: We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry.

People: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation!

Leader: As servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way, through truthful speech and the power of God.

People: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation!

Leader: We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known.

People: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation!

Leader: We are treated as dying, and see - we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed.

People: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation!

Leader: We are treated as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich.

People: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation!

Leader: We are treated as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

People: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation!

** Those who are able may stand.*

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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 9:9-20

Leader: The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

People: **And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.**

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, who dwells in Zion. Declare his deeds among the peoples.

People: **For he who avenges blood is mindful of them; he does not forget the cry of the afflicted.**

Leader: Be gracious to me, O Lord. See what I suffer from those who hate me; you are the one who lifts me up from the gates of death,

People: **So that I may recount all your praises, and, in the gates of daughter Zion, rejoice in your deliverance.**

Leader: The nations have sunk in the pit that they made; in the net that they hid has their own foot been caught.

People: **The Lord has made himself known, he has executed judgement; the wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.**

Leader: The wicked shall depart to Sheol, all the nations that forget God.

People: **For the needy shall not always be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor perish forever.**

Leader: Rise up, O Lord! Do not let mortals prevail; let the nations be judged before you.

People: **Put them in fear, O Lord.**

All: **Thanks be to God!**

*HYMN #394

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”

BALM IN GILEAD

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

Kelsey Nordengren

ENGAGING THE TEXT

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS *(pew Bible p. 181-182)*
(pew Bible p. 39)

2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Mark 4:35-41

SERMON

“Our Father’s Day”

Reverend Gary Stevens

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

O God, as Christ calls us, your spirit empowers us. We accept your charge to be his ambassadors for peace. Reconciled by Christ to your loving judgement, we will seek to work righteousness through acts of goodwill. Accept our efforts when they please you, and frustrate our attempts when they do not serve you. Lead us in Christ to become worthy disciples, as, filled with your Spirit, we respond to his call. AMEN.

OFFERTORY

“I Want to Be a Christian”

arr. Mary McDonald

You may use this time to meditate and prepare your offering.

Offerings can be dropped off after the service in the blue box on the sanctuary wall.

*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 #835 *(see below)*

“Just A Closer Walk with Thee”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven”

arr. Lani Smith

Just a Closer Walk with Thee 835

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Just a Closer Walk with Thee' (numbered 835). It is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The score includes a treble and bass clef staff. The lyrics are as follows:

Refrain Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it,
 1 I am weak, but thou art strong; Je - sus,
 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I
 3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for

Je - sus, is my plea, dai - ly walk - ing close to
 keep me from all wrong; I'll be sat - is - fied as
 fal - ter, Lord, who cares? Who with me my bur - den
 me will be no more; guide me gent - ly, safe - ly

thee: let it be, dear Lord, let it be.
 long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. Ref.
 shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. Ref.
 o'er to thy shore, dear Lord, to thy shore. Ref.