

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, January 26

- 9:15 a.m. - Jazzercise
- 10:00 a.m. - Knitting Group
- 5:30 p.m. - Jazzercise
- 7:00 p.m. - Big Lake Theatre Co Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon

Tuesday, January 27

- 9:00 a.m. - Men's Ministry
- 2:00 p.m. - All Staff Meeting
- 3:00 p.m. - Worship Planning Meeting
- 4:45 p.m. - Jazzercise
- 7:00 p.m. - BLT Rehearsal

Wednesday, January 28

- 7:00 a.m. & 9:15 a.m. - Jazzercise
- 6:15 p.m. - Bell Choir
- 7:00 p.m. - BLT Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 29

- 5:30 p.m. - Jazzercise
- 7:00 p.m. - BLT Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. - GA & GAM-Anon

Friday, January 30

- 9:15 a.m. - Jazzercise
- 7:00 p.m. - BLT Rehearsal

Saturday, January 31

- 9:15 a.m. & 10:15 a.m. - Jazzercise
- 10:30 a.m. - AA Big Book Meeting

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1 - Sunday after Epiphany

- 9:00 a.m. - All Ages Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. - Worship in the Sanctuary
Rev. Natalie Handley, M. Div.

ATTENDANCE:

JANUARY 18, 2026
Worship - 69
Nursery - 1

PLEASE PRAY FOR....

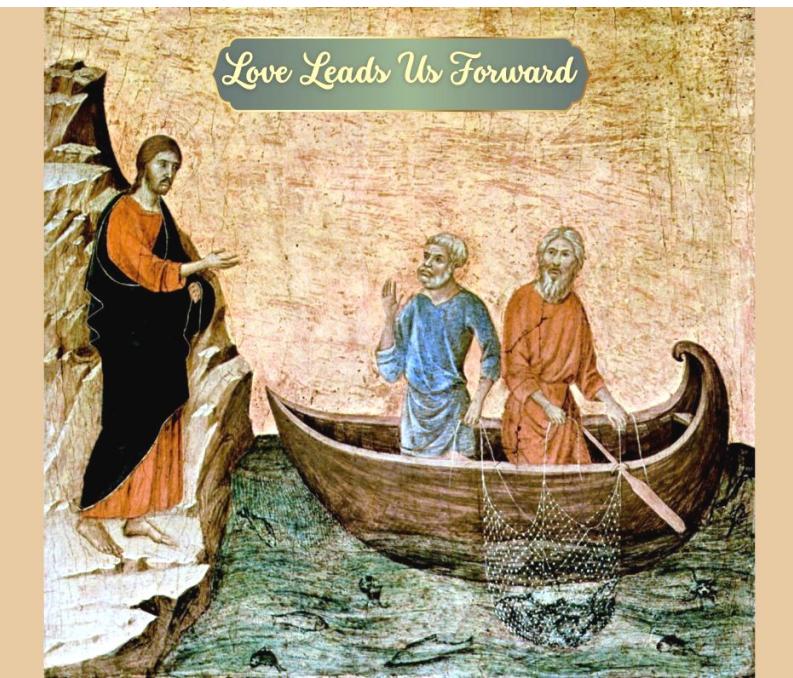
- ♥ Loved ones of Bradley Cory who passed away on December 23
- ♥ Loved ones of Carla Marceau-Smith who passed away
- ♥ Continue to lift up Faye Bowers' son Pete who is undergoing a procedure and needs housing
- ♥ Maribeth Larson's back surgery went well and she is recovering at home
- ♥ Terry & Chip O'Neill facing health challenges
- ♥ ICE situation in Minneapolis and family in area dealing with the chaos
- ♥ The world, nation and congregation. Listen, show love, and choose words wisely
- ♥ LouAnn & Jim Jaklin at the loss of close family friend, Dick, and his wife Judy, in Florida
- ♥ Jennifer Bruggink - joy for visiting Aunt Margie and that she will get treatments to put her on path to real healing, and prayers for her life and her loved ones
- ♥ Carolyn's friend, Bob, at Mayo Clinic
- ♥ Scott Wilson, friend of the Handleys, is recovering from a major bicycle accident
- ♥ Joy for the diversity of humanity



JANUARY 25, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Third Sunday after Epiphany



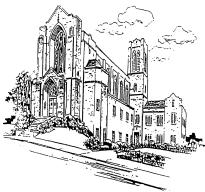
"Christ Calling the Apostles Peter and Andrew" by Duccio di Buoninsegna (c.1308)

Welcome! We are glad you are here worshiping with us.
Let's join our hearts together in a prayerful spirit.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Jesus called Simon and Andrew.
No questions, they dropped their nets.
James and John left the boats
And left their father sitting in one.
Jesus, we hear you calling us.
We want to leave our boats and drop our nets.
Help us let go.

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Marquette, MI

WELCOME!

We joyfully welcome you into this time of worship. As a church, we affirm that all belong here in God's house and all are welcome at God's table. May Christ's presence be real, meeting us at our point of need.

If you are a visitor, we're so glad you followed the Spirit here today. May you receive a warm and gracious welcome by our family of faith. You are invited to fill out the yellow visitor card located at either end of the pews, then place it in the offering plate. We want to support you in your spiritual journey. You may reach Pastor Natalie at pastornataliehandley@gmail.com.

After worship, all are invited to enjoy coffee, treats and friendship. Follow the crowd into the parlors and join us!

WELCOME CHILDREN & YOUTH

You are invited to make an activity bag to use during worship. Supplies for this are in the children's nook in the back of the sanctuary.

If you are 5 & under, there is also a nursery for you to play in! It is open 9am - 11am.

During the service, there is a time for you to come to the front called "*Conversation with the Children*." Most Sundays, you're invited to join us for Sunday School downstairs in Room D (ages 6-12) with parents picking you up after worship.

If you are 12+, join Youth Group which will resume soon - dates to be announced!

OUR MISSION AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit to know, grow, and show Christ's love to all through worship, education, and service in the name of Jesus Christ.



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CE SPIRITUAL FORMATION: Volunteers are needed for leading Sunday School and the nursery. Please contact Lynnea Hosey, CE Director. The Personnel Committee is working on next steps for the hiring of a CE Director. Questions/input may be directed to co-chairs Jennifer Bruggink, Christine Pesola, Session elders and/or Pastor. Please pray for the next person God is calling to FPC!

FROM THE DEACONS: On the first Sunday of the month, the loose cash that is collected is used by the Deacons to support those who need our care. Thank you for your generous giving as we minister to one another.

Deacon on Call: Please contact the Deacon on Call if you or someone you know needs prayer, home visits, or assistance with food and/or financial needs. Inquiries are confidential. The Deacon on Call for January is Bonnie Swanson, and she can be reached at 906-250-4198.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Please consider volunteering at your church. We need volunteers to help greet and to provide goodies for coffee hour. Please sign up on the sheet in the parlors. Live out a new life in Christ by volunteering at your church.

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE: Please scan this code for on line giving and to set up your recurring gift:



STAY CONNECTED TO THE WIDER CHURCH VIA FACEBOOK (FB):

- Our local church FB page is "*First Presbyterian Church of Marquette*" where worship services are *livestreamed*, and events and updates are also regularly posted!
- The national level church FB page is "*Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*" where you can receive news and updates on the church, including general assembly, mission, and more.
- The "*Presbyterian church (U.S.A.) Washington Office*" FB page is the public policy information and advocacy office of the PC(USA), which regularly issues Calls to Action and the importance of our faith in conversation with the world.

SERVING TODAY

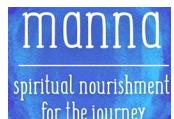
Leading Worship:	<i>Rev. Natalie Handley</i>	Psalm Reader:	<i>FPC Volunteer</i>
Liturgist:	<i>Karen Blake</i>	Greeters:	<i>Dave & Sue Payant</i>
Organist:	<i>Anne Perket</i>	Children's Message:	<i>Mary Clifford</i>
Choir Director:	<i>Dr. Andrew Poe</i>	Secure Building:	<i>B & G Committee</i>

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"How Firm a Foundation"

arr. Jason D. Payne



WORSHIP SERVICE & COMMUNITY DINNER! Join us at 4:30 pm every second Sunday for a modern and informal style worship followed by a free community dinner at 5:30pm. Bring your friends and neighbors! **NOTE: Manna in March has been rescheduled to March 22.**

LENT: **Ash Wednesday, February 18** we will begin the season of Lent with a soup supper at 5:30 pm and worship in the Sanctuary at 6:30 pm. **Maundy Thursday, April 2** will be the same format, and an **ecumenical Good Friday worship service, April 3** is planned for 6:30 pm.

ANNUAL REPORTS DUE BY FEBRUARY 15. Please email your report(s) in Word format to the church office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Come to the Intergenerational Sunday School Class at 9am every first Sunday of the month. Children's class occurs during worship most other Sundays. The curriculum is "Forgive" from the Follow Me series.

FROM THE CHURCH TREASURER: **2026 CHURCH ENVELOPES** are on a table in the church hallway for your pick up. The **per capita** amount for 2026 is **\$42.00**.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION ELDERS: 2026: Amanda Gobert, Crystal Swanson, 2027: Barb Bennett, Jeff Jaklin, Christine Pesola, Ryan Redmond. 2028: Faye Bowers, Jennifer Bruggink, Mary Clifford, Lynnea Hosey.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BOARD OF DEACONS: 2026: Carolyn McDonald, Janice Rebers, 2027: Judy Baldwin, Bonnie Swanson. 2028: Catherine Crimmins, Wendy Maki, Abigayle Schloegel.

YOUR CHURCH STAFF:

Christian Education Director - Vacant
Treasurer - David Kurtz
Music Administrator/Organist - Anne Perket
Choir Director - Dr. Andrew A. Poe, CP
Commissioner for the Presbytery of Mackinac - Amanda Gobert

PASTOR - Rev. Natalie Handley, M. Div.

Office Manager - Lori Hicks
Custodian - Bryan Rosten
Nursery Facilitator - Amanda Fruehling

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

3rd Sunday after Epiphany - January 25, 2026

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"All Will Be Well"

arr. Lyndell Leatherman

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Leader / People)**

God calls us here together - each of us, all of us, our whole selves.

We bring our questions, our longings, our hopes, our dreams and our fears.

Jesus invites us to come and see where God is at work.

Across the street and across the globe, Jesus is present, saying "Follow me."

Within these walls and within our hearts, God is here, saying "come and see."

Let us worship the One who reaches out to us in love!

***OPENING HYMN #804**

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"

MARION

CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Leader / People)

Let us pause here to confess the sins that have kept us from recognizing and enjoying God's presence.

Gracious God, when despair and suffering overwhelm us, we cry out for you and feel abandoned. We doubt your presence and your promises. We believe you have turned away from us in anger. We ask why you have forsaken us. In these moments, strengthen us in faith and fill our hearts with courage. We believe, God. Help our unbelief. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Leader)

"The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting." (Psalm 103)

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.

***SONG OF THANKSGIVING - HYMN #581**

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.

COMMUNITY

CHORAL ANTHEM

"The Love of God"

by Natalie Sleeth

JOYS & 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.*

Joys: Thanks be to God! Concerns: Lord, Hear our Prayer.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN

(children go downstairs after)

Mary Clifford

PSALM 103: 1-14 (NRSVA) (Leader / People)

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all God's benefits -

who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The LORD works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.

O God, You make known your ways to Moses, your acts to the people of Israel.

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

You will not always accuse, nor will you keep your anger forever.

You do not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is your steadfast love towards those who fear you;

as far as the east is from the west, so far You remove our transgressions from us.

As a father has compassion for his children, so the LORD has compassion for those who fear him.

For God knows how we were made; God remembers that we are dust.

*HYMN #721

"Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

** Those who are able may stand.*

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Leader)

God of epiphanies, you reveal yourself to us in diverse and numerous ways. Free us the distractions that turn our focus away from you and your Word. Open us to the truth you reveal to us today. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

OLD TESTAMENT (pew Bible p. 638)

NEW TESTAMENT (pew Bible p. 166)

(pew Bible p. 3-4)

Isaiah 9: 1-4

1 Corinthians 1: 10-18

Matthew 4: 12-23

SERMON

"Leave Your Nets Behind"

Rev. Natalie Handley

RESPONDING

MUSICAL RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS/THE MINISTRY AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"He Is Exalted"

Twila Paris

*DOXOLOGY - HYMN #606

**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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

Holy God, we present these offerings to you in faith. We trust that you will bless and use them to further Christ's ministry and serve those in need. May these gifts bless those we know who are suffering and those known only to you. Amen.

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN #321

"The Church's One Foundation"

AURELIA

*BENEDICTION