

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, June 22

- 9:15 a.m. - Jazzercise
- 10:00 a.m. - Knitting Group
- 5:30 p.m. - Jazzercise
- 7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon

Tuesday, June 23

- 9:00 a.m. - Men's Ministry
- 3:00 p.m. - Worship Planning Committee
- 4:45 p.m. - Jazzercise

Wednesday, June 24

- 12:00 p.m. - Solace in the Sanctuary

Thursday, June 25

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

Friday, June 26

- 9:00 a.m. - Piano Tuning
- 9:15 a.m. - Jazzercise
- 5:00 p.m. - Pine Mtn Music Festival Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. - Pine Mtn Music Festival Concert

Saturday, June 27

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

SUNDAY, June 28 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:00 a.m. - Adult Sunday School
- 9:00 a.m. - Building & Grounds Committee
- 10:00 a.m. - Worship in the Sanctuary
Rev. Natalie Handley
- 11:30 a.m. - Coffee Hour
- 11:30 a.m. - Christian Education Committee



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Church is a certified
PC(USA) Earth Care
Congregation!

ATTENDANCE

JUNE 14, 2026

Worship – 65 Nursery - 4

PLEASE PRAY FOR....

- ♥ Loved ones of Roger Harbin who passed away on June 8
- ♥ Dave Kurtz's recovery from neck stenosis surgery
- ♥ Maribeth Larson's brother in law Steve had surgery; daughter Liz's husband was in the ER due to diabetes complications
- ♥ Mike Kuzak had his first mini chemo treatment and experienced side effects
- ♥ Joy for George & Mary Carnahan's 68th wedding anniversary
- ♥ The Youth Mission Team - safe travels back from Puerto Rico
- ♥ Crystal's friend Karen is battling breast cancer
- ♥ Jenn Klipp as she is treated for breast cancer
- ♥ Laura in Virginia facing continuing health issues and awaiting test results
- ♥ Sam Elder in treatment for prostate cancer
- ♥ All effects of the war in Iran including our higher food & gas prices



JUNE 21, 2026

10:00 a.m.

4th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



"Song Sparrow" by John James Audubon, 1827

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

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

Lord, thank You for bringing us together today. As we prepare to worship, we ask that You quiet our minds and remove any distractions. Help us to focus on Your glory, receive Your Word with an open heart, and join with our brothers and sisters in spirit and truth. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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First Presbyterian Church 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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FROM THE DEACONS: 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 June is Bonnie Swanson: 250-4198.

What is the Compassion Fund? The Deacons' Compassion Fund has been formed in place of the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. This *confidential* fund is in place specifically for FPC members and friends of members with financial need. You may apply for yourself or on behalf of a friend by speaking with the Pastor or the Deacon Moderator, Judy Baldwin, who will provide a form. Half of the 1st Sunday donations to Deacons support the Compassion Fund. The Deacons also support the broader community with regular donations to the Community Assistance Fund and St. Vincent DePaul with the other half of your offerings. Thank you for your generosity!

SOLACE IN THE SANCTUARY will continue throughout the summer. The sanctuary is open on **Wednesdays from Noon - 3:00pm** for prayer and contemplation. All are welcome.

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



MANNA WORSHIP AND COMMUNITY DINNERS will resume in September!



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 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.

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 - VACANT

Nursery Facilitator - Amanda Fruehling

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION ELDERS: 2027: Barb Bennett, Jeff Jaklin, Christine Pesola, Ryan Redmond 2028: Jennifer Bruggink, Mary Clifford, Lynnea Hosey 2029: Dan Barrington, Karen Blake, Amanda Gobert, Garry Koehn

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BOARD OF DEACONS: 2027: Judy Baldwin, Bonnie Swanson 2028: Catherine Crimmins, Wendy Maki 2029: Carolyn McDonald, Janice Rebers, Simon Jaklin, Amanda Kline, Dan Larson, Maribeth Larson, Lisa Potvin

SERVING TODAY			
Leading Worship:	<i>Rev. Natalie Handley</i>	Choir Director:	<i>Dr. Andrew Poe</i>
Liturgist:	<i>Connie Kuzak</i>	Greeters:	<i>FPC Volunteers</i>
Organist:	<i>Anne Perket</i>	Children's Message:	<i>Connie Kuzak</i>
Violinist:	<i>Debbie Carlson</i>	Secure Building:	<i>B & G Committee</i>

PIZZA & COOKIE DOUGH ORDERS: Please take your order home today! See Wendy Maki or Connie Kuzak for assistance finding your order in the freezers downstairs. Thank you for your support!

ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL is held at 9am in the church library. Our book is "Christianity and Comics" by Blair Davis.

CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC: Please join us **Thursday, June 25 at 6:00 p.m.** for a picnic at Presque Isle across from the NEW Bandshell to celebrate their first concert of the season! The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. Please bring your own dinner and chair.

THE PINE MOUNTAIN MUSIC FESTIVAL "Upstarts" Concert will be held here in our sanctuary on **Friday, June 26 at 7:30 pm.** The concert series gives young, auditioned, performers from the U.P. the chance to perform in a professional music festival setting. This an opportunity to enjoy and support our young musicians, and is also a chance to welcome guests into our sanctuary space who do not normally come in for worship.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - JULY 13 - 16, 5:15 - 7:30 p.m. It is entitled "Mystical Miracles of Jesus" based on a Harry Potter theme. All children are welcome! Scan the QR code to register:



ALL SENIORS ARE WARMLY INVITED to a time of fellowship on **Monday, July 20 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** Join us in the church parlors for an afternoon of games, hot coffee, and delicious snacks. Invite friends! We look forward to seeing you there!



WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY 4th Sunday After Pentecost - June 21, 2026

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

"We Fall Down"

Chris Tomlin / Lloyd Larson

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Matthew 10:29-31*) (Leader / **People**)

Not one sparrow will fall to the ground apart from their Creator.

God tells us we are of more value than many sparrows.

God knows us and loves us. Even the hairs of our head are all counted.

We praise you, O God! Grateful are we for your love and care!

*OPENING HYMN #39

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

CALL TO AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

Lord Jesus Christ, we call you Lord, yet it is too easy for us to worship other things.

Other activities, other relationships, other gods. You tell us we cannot serve two masters,

Yet we spend more time focusing our energies elsewhere, Diverting our time, our energy,

our money, our attention away from you. Forgive us, gracious Savior, when our hearts are

led astray, when we serve other gods and worship them. We turn away from our distractions

and sin. Strengthen us to set our faces toward Jerusalem, to take up our cross and follow you.

We pray this, counting on your grace. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (Leader / **People**)

Even in our moments of doubt, our lack of faith, and spiritual blindness when we fail to realize God amongst us, God is still at work. God is still healing. God is still forgiving.

Even when you fail to see God, God still sees you, and loves you always. Siblings in Christ, hear the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*HYMN OF THANKSGIVING - #582

"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

GLORY TO GOD

* Those who are able may stand.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST (Leader / People)

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

COMMUNITY

SPECIAL MUSIC - Debbie Carlson, violin "Meditation" *Jules Massenet*

THE MINISTRY AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Any announcements to be made should be cleared in advance with the Liturgist.

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN Connie Kuzak

PSALM 86: 1-10

Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.

Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you.

You are my God; be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long.

Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you.

Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication.

In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me.

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

**All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.**

For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

*HYMN #738 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" MARYTON

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

NEW TESTAMENT (*pew Bible p. 10-11*) *Matthew 10: 24-39*

SERMON Sparrows and Swords Rev. Natalie Handley

** Those who are able may stand.*

RESPONDING

*SUNG PRAYER - HYMN #469 "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" CHILDREN PRAYING

Each week, we will sing this prayer to open the Joys & Concerns:

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

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 (*in unison*)

**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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY "God of the Sparrow" *Carl F. Schalk*

*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.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (*in unison*)

**Take our hearts, our hands, our gifts, Holy God. Mold us, shape us, send us, so that we might
be your body in the world you so love. Amen.**

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN #649 "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound" AMAZING GRACE

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "O God, You Seach Me" *Bernadette Farrell*
