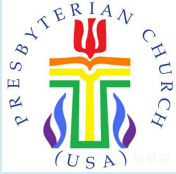


July 3, 2026

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWLETTER



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Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 10am - 3pm

Pastor: Reverend Natalie Handley, M.Div.

6th Sunday after Pentecost - July 5, 2026

WORSHIP SERVICE - 10:00 a.m.

SERMON: But God

Wayne Potter, CRE, Executive Director of Presbytery Point
and Rev. Natalie Handley

Click [HERE](#) to see the bulletin!

WE WELCOME WAYNE POTTER, CRE, the new Executive Director of Presbytery Point, as guest preacher on July 5. Pastor Natalie will preside at the table for communion.



WELCOME BACK, YOUTH MISSION TEAM!

THE MISSION TEAM will share stories,
photos, and powerful moments from
Puerto Rico during worship on
Sunday, July 19.
Please join us!

ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL *does not meet on July 5 and resumes on July 12* at 9:00 a.m. in the church library. Our book is "Christianity and Comics" by Blair Davis.

Follow General Assembly 227 with Presbyterian Outlook:

<https://pres-outlook.org/ga/>

The biggest news of our denomination is that the **227th General Assembly will be held in Milwaukee, WI from June 28-July 2 and online the week prior.**

Congregants are encouraged to become informed on the conversations of the church, which include learning about the moderator candidates. You may also learn more by accessing the bulletin insert [HERE](#).

Please pray for Ruling Elder Commissioner, Jeff Jaklin, and Young Adult Advisory Delegate, Simon Jaklin, as they prepare to attend, discuss and vote on important matters of the Church.

GOOD NEWS! Joe Granger notified us that the parts for the **organ** have finally been manufactured! He and Vic will soon be completing Phase 1

repairs, which should take about two weeks. The Organ Restoration Task Force will meet with them to get a timeline for the additional work needed. *With thanks to the congregation for your donations and support - the Organ Restoration Task Force.*

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:



VBS Dinner Donations Needed

Looking to feed about 25 youth and adult volunteers
Contact Connie Kuzak with questions.

- 2 large bags Baby carrots
- 2 watermelons
- 2 gallons of whole milk
- Lemonade mix
- 5 boxes of penne pasta
- 5 jars of pasta sauce
- 1 box of butter
- 3 bags of frozen chicken nuggets
- 3 bags of french fries
- 4 boxes french toast sticks
- 5 Brown 'N Serve sausage links (10 ct box)

Please sign up on sheet outside of Lori's office with
name & phone number.

Thank you for your continued support!!

PRE-CONCERT PICNIC! JULY 15 at 5:30 p.m. Join us for a social hour on the lawn before the **Concert on the Steps at Peter White Library** (6:30pm). Plan to bring your own food & lawn chairs (though we will have seating available). Friends, family and lawn games are welcome. After we eat, we will move our chairs up the block for the concert. The church that plays together stays together!

ALL SENIORS ARE WARMLY INVITED to a time of fellowship on
Monday, July 20, 1:00 - 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!



MARQUETTE BEAUTIFICATION GARDEN TOUR - Thursday, July 23: Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at Lutey's Flowers, Nagelkirk's, and All Seasons Floral beginning in July. If you would like to take part in this walking tour, please meet at the church at **Noon** for a sack lunch before the tour begins at 1:00 p.m.

SUNDAY WORSHIP AT PRESBYTERY POINT - AUGUST 9, 10:30am

The service will be outside again, weather permitting, or inside if necessary. A potluck meal will be held after worship in the dining hall. A golf cart will be available for those needing assistance to navigate the path to the point. The benches at the point now have backrests! Carpooling will be available. Need a ride, or willing to



provide a ride? Please contact the church office. We will leave the church parking lot at **9:30am** sharp.

WE ARE HIRING!

Click the links below for the details:

Director of Spiritual Formation and Outreach: <https://greatlakescallfinder.org/listing/spiritual-formation-and-outreach-director-possibly-including-campus-ministry-for-full-time-work-marquette-michigan/>

Campus Ministry Director: <https://greatlakescallfinder.org/listing/campus-ministry-director-mid-aug-thru-mid-may-marquette-michigan/>



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

*If you wish to learn more about this endeavor,
please contact John Rebers at 250-0442 or
jrebers@gmail.com*



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

MONTHLY DEACON ON CALL: *"It is the duty of Deacons, first of all, to minister to those in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to any who may be in distress both within and beyond the community of faith."* **PC(USA) Book of Order.**

As part of our pastoral care ministries, the Deacons designate a monthly 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 will be held confidential as requested. The **Deacon on Call** for the remainder of June is Bonnie Swanson and she can be reached at 250-4198. The Deacon on Call for July is Carolyn McDonald and she can be reached at 250-0294.

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 of DePaul with the other half of your offerings. Thank you for your generosity!

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS! If you are interested in becoming a member of First Presbyterian Church, please contact Pastor Natalie at:
pastornataliehandley@gmail.com.

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 online giving and to set up your recurring gift:



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*There is nothing to lose...you get full face value...BUT **the church gets 3-10%**, and all profits go into the Reserve Fund! Scrip forms are on the hallway table at the church, or call Jan Rebers at **228-3617**. Thank you!*

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 & updates are 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.

BULLETIN & E-NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

If you have anything that needs to be placed in the Sunday bulletin or weekly E-News, please submit it to the church office by

10am on Wednesday.

Send submissions to: firstpresbyterianmqt@gmail.com. Thank you!

To read the Presbytery of Mackinac June Newsletter, click **HERE**

If you would like a person named in the congregation's prayers, please first obtain permission from the person to list his/her name in the E-Newsletter. We will list each person for a short time, then the name will be removed. If the person would like to continue to be listed, please call the church.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Food and volunteers for a successful VBS

Congratulations to Ian McCombie on gaining U.S. Citizenship

Bob Wellman's friend Lori for health concerns and friend Rick's granddaughter who has been diagnosed with cancer

Gratitude for Zane Farnsworth's successful surgery to remove hardware

Loved ones of Lorna March, Pastor Michael March's wife, who passed away June 18 (Kingsford)

Ruling Elder Commissioner Jeff Jaklin and Young Adult Advisory Delegate Simon Jaklin, as they attend

GA 227 and discuss and vote on important church matters

Susan Manson's successful recovery from recent surgery

Dave Kurtz as he recovers from neck stenosis surgery

Vivian Lasich's niece Laura is recovering from breast cancer surgery

Crystal's friend Karen is battling breast cancer

Laura in Virginia facing continuing health issues and awaiting test results

Sam Elder in treatment for prostate cancer

Jenn Klipp as she is treated for breast cancer

Those suffering the dangerous heat waves and wildfires



**PLEASE BE REMINDED TO DROP OFF
YOUR ECONO FOODS RECEIPTS
in the basket by the mail center.
Thank you!**

Monday, July 6 (KNITTING IS CANCELLED FOR THE MONTH OF JULY)

9:15 a.m. - Jazzercise

5:30 p.m. - Jazzercise

7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon

Tuesday, July 7

9:00 a.m. - Men's Ministry

Wednesday, July 8

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

Thursday, July 9

5:30 p.m. - Jazzercise

7:00 p.m. - GA & GAM-Anon

Friday, July 10 - CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

9:15 a.m. - Jazzercise

Saturday, July 11

9:15 & 10:15 a.m. - Jazzercise

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

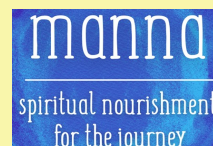
SUNDAY, JULY 12 - 7th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m. - Adult Sunday School

10:00 a.m. - Worship in the Sanctuary - Rev. Natalie Handley

11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour

**MANNA WORSHIP SERVICES and
COMMUNITY DINNERS
will resume in September!**



Presbyterian Point Camp Amazon Wish List 2026

Open House at Presbyterian Point

Saturday, August 22, 2026, 1PM-7PM

We need your help to make camp a wonderful experience for our campers! Please consider purchasing any items from our Amazon Wish list to purchase for camp season.

Mark your calendars for Presbyterian Point Camp Open House on **Saturday, August 22, 2026**. This is a fantastic opportunity to stop by and meet our new Camp Director: Wayne Potter. Stop by see the Dining Hall, walk to the Point, and enjoys some "camp food". We would love to see your smile on Saturday 8/22/26, anytime from 1PM-7PM.

How to Purchase items from Amazon Wish List:

Ordering a gift from an Amazon registry is quick and simple. You can find the registry, select the item you want, and complete your purchase in a few easy steps.

Step 1: Find the Registry

1. Open the [Amazon Homepage](#) and log into your account.
2. Hover over **Accounts & Lists** in the top right corner and select **Find a List or Registry** from the drop-down menu.
3. On the search page, enter the registrant's name and select the list type **Name: Presbyterian Point Camp State: Michigan**
4. Click **Search** and select the correct name (**Presbyterian Point Camp**) from the results to view their list.

Step 2: Choose Your Gift

1. Browse through the items. You can use the **Sort By** drop-down menu to filter items by price, priority, or what is still available.
2. Click the **Add to Cart** button next to the item you wish to purchase.

Step 3: Checkout and Ship

1. When you are finished shopping, click **Proceed to Checkout**.
2. Choose the recipient's **Gift Registry Address** (which is hidden for privacy) from the address options. **Please select Presbyterian Point Camp Dining Hall Kitchen 211 Brown Rd, Michigamme, MI 49861**
3. *Optional:* You can check the box to mark the item as a gift. This allows you to add a custom gift message and hides prices on the packing slip.
4. Follow the remaining on-screen instructions to finalize your payment and place the order.
5. Please make sure that the address for the package is sent to Presbyterian Point Camp in Michigamme MI.

MISSION STATEMENT OF 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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