



**Day of Service
2026**



**May 17, 2026
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Day of Service**

**First
Presbyterian
Church of Northville**



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Welcome

to First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Thank you for worshiping with us!

We invite you to write your name and contact information on the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew for others to sign.

If you would like a children's folder, large print bulletin, wireless hearing assistance device or back pillow, the ushers will be happy to assist you. We currently offer two types of hearing assistance devices: one with earphones, and one which works with "T" coil hearing aids.

If you are visiting with us, and don't have a Bible you can read and understand, please take one from your pew as our gift to you! Please also stop by the Welcome Center desk to receive a welcome bag.

Please join us for coffee or tea in Boll Hall after the service.

We Believe

We believe relationships are key to understanding God and enjoying life together.

We seek to create a community that mirrors God's unconditional acceptance and love.

We value and are centered in scripture.

We honor and worship a God who is constantly at work for the good of every person in every place.

We welcome all regardless of politics, gender, race, sexual orientation, or any other distinction.

We are called to love as God loves.

We're glad you're here!

Order of Worship

Welcome

Announcements

Sung Grace *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise Christ, all people here below
Praise Holy Spirit ever-more;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***Call to Worship** (read responsively)

One: Friends, we know what God desires of us:

All: That we do justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with God.

One: We gather this morning to remind each other about that,

All: to remember that now is always the right time to do these things.

One: So, with thanks in our hearts, let us worship God.

All: Let us worship with voice and song and with hands and feet!

Opening Prayer

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

First Scripture Reading—Matthew 5:14–16

[Jesus said,] ¹⁴“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.”

Second Scripture Reading—Luke 10:25–37

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

²⁵An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” ²⁷He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your

* Please rise in body or spirit.

One: The call of Christ is to willing, dedicated discipleship. Our discipleship is a manifestation of the new life we enter through baptism. Discipleship is both a gift and a commitment, an offering and a responsibility. This morning let us commission ourselves to this time of service, putting our faith into action as a form of worship.

Friends, the grace bestowed on you in baptism is sufficient for your calling because it is God's grace. By God's grace we are saved, and enabled to grow in the faith and to commit our lives in ways that serve Christ. God has called you to particular service.

Commissioning Prayer

One: Faithful God, in baptism you claimed us; and by your Holy Spirit you are working in our lives, empowering us to live a life worthy of our calling. We thank you for leading this congregation to this time and place.

Establish us in your truth, and guide us by your Holy Spirit, that in your service we may grow in faith, hope, and love, and be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever.

**All: Almighty God,
in Jesus Christ you called disciples
and, by the Holy Spirit,
made them one church to serve you.
Let your Spirit rule your church,
so that we may be joined
in love and service to Jesus Christ,
who, having gone before us,
is coming to meet us
in the promise of your kingdom. Amen.**

Charge

**HELP with
more than one**



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Activities to follow 10:00

Service Activity	
Pack hygiene kits for Street Outreach Teams	CLC
Pack lunches for Street Outreach Teams	CLC
Pack Neinas food bags	CLC
Tie prayer blankets	Boll Hall
Color pages for community members	Boll Hall
Make flowers for community members	Boll Hall
Make pet toys	Boll Hall
VBS prep	Boll Hall
Make cards for those in need of cheer	Boll Hall
Maintain Prayer Wall	Meet by Welco
Cut cloth for Prayer Wall	Music Room
Sort donated food and hygiene items	Gathering Room
Sort children's clothes for Little Lambs in Flint	Library
Sort shoes, socks, and underwear for Crossroads	Hallway betwe
Make laundry detergent	Mission Room
Outdoor clean up and yard work including at the Northville Art House and cemetery	Meet by Welco



Church of Northville

SERVICE

May 17

8 a.m. breakfast and worship



Location	Activity Leaders
	Diane Lahiff
	Carol Rathburn
	Carol Maise
	Deacons
	Self-led
	Vivienne Ward
	Cheyenne Burns
	Stephen Flavin
	Jill Mohr
Home Center Desk	Dawn Eiben
	Wanda Moon
m	Pam Clarkson
	Sarah French
en Library & Mission Room	Jason Vannette
	Walford family
Home Center Desk	Anne & Mark Hartigan, David Marold





The Bulletin Board

FPCN Scholarships—Applications for the Marlow Van Soest and the Educational Endowment scholarships are now available. To apply, please see the Friday email. Applications must be received no later than May 29 and should be submitted to Stephen Flavin at stephenflavin@fpcnorthville.org.

Summer Choir is Back—Anyone and everyone is cordially invited to drop in, beginning May 31, to rehearse at 9 a.m., sing at 10 a.m., and head out to brunch (or whatever pursuit) around 11 a.m. No robes. No formality. Families are invited and encouraged to take part. No long-term commitment. Come join us when and as your schedule permits. All are welcome: come one, come all!

Oakway Children's Choir Concert: Sunday, May 31—All are warmly invited to the Oakway Children's Choir Concert on Sunday, May 31. Please join us for an evening filled with wonderful music. The concert begins at 4 p.m. in our sanctuary, and our talented young singers hope to see everyone there!

Crossroads Meal: Sunday, May 31—Our church is sponsoring the Crossroads of Michigan Sunday soup kitchen meal on May 31. We invite you to join us in preparing or serving the meal, or both! Please scan the QR code or see the link in the Friday email to sign up to volunteer. Both morning and afternoon slots are available. To help us plan, please sign up by May 24. This meal is made possible by our 5 Cents a Meal donations. Your generosity and service are greatly appreciated! Contact the Mission Committee with any questions.



Baccalaureate Sunday—Join us as we celebrate our graduates on Sunday, June 14. If you know of recent graduates from high school, college, graduate school, trade school, or job training, we'd love to include them in our bulletin insert. Please email the office with a short bio and photograph by May 31: hannahjohnson@fpcnorthville.org.

Supplemental Church Directory—We are working on creating a supplemental church directory to be released this summer. If you are not included in our 2024 directory and you would like to be included in the supplemental directory, please send your name, address, phone number, email, and a photo (optional) to Hannah Johnson, Communications Associate, at hannahjohnson@fpcnorthville.org. If you are in the previous directory and your information has changed, or if you would like to submit a photo for the first time, please contact Hannah Johnson with those submissions as well. The deadline for all submissions is June 1.

DINE WITH NINE

Summer edition:
June & August

What is Dine With Nine?

- Small groups of 7–9 church members and friends meet once a month for food, conversation, and fellowship
- Meetings are often potlucks in group members' homes, restaurant visits, or catered/delivered meals
- Groups are self-led and choose their own dates, times, and locations

How do I join?

- Sign up on the sheet in Boll Hall or by clicking the button below. When signing up, please be sure to indicate if you are able to host dinner at your place! The Fellowship Committee works to assign registrants to groups (announced early June).
- Groups will be different from those assigned in the in the January–March Dine With Nine session
- Direct any questions to the Fellowship Committee: Lynn Betker, Marilyn Thibodeau, Debbie Dunbar, Nancy Kaatz, or Leslie Bazini.

To sign up, scan the QR code, fill out the sheet in Boll Hall, or complete the Google Form in the Friday email



Worship Leaders and Staff:

Program Ministry

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher, Senior Pastor
Stephen Flavin, Director of Congregational Care, Youth, & Children

Music Ministry

Tom Bowman, Children's Choir Director
Dr. Jerry Custer, Chancel Choir Director
Nancy Plumley, Te Deum Handbell Director
Dr. Dave Wagner, Organist/Accompanist

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Hannah Johnson, Communications Associate

Sextons

Nicole Andreolli, Sunday Sexton
Zak Bugosh, Sexton

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IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Congregation: Marilyn Atkinson; Judy & Ron Blackburn; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Rev. Jamie Faile; Charlene Frellick; Sarah French & family; Carol Geake and the family of Bob Geake; Neyssa Gill; Bev Hines; Ron & Lois Housman; Barb Johnson; Glenn & Nancy Kaatz; Donna Kennedy; Mary Kirn; Maxine Lapham; Karen Seaman; Alan & Judy Somershoe; the Strom and Gessert families; Darleen Sweeney; June Tervo; Linda Todd; The Ward Family; Dick Werther; Debbie Wood.

Friends and Family: Steve Atallah (husband of Elaine Atallah); James Atkinson Jr. (son of Marilyn Atkinson); Carolyn Blaszowski (friend of Deb and Tim Gammons); Jeff Brown (friend of Dick Werther); Peg Custer (mother of Jerry Custer); Ron Chandler (brother-in-law of Nancy Plumley); Rick De Hart (friend of Georgeann Stringer); the family of Carol Dickson; Brant Doty (brother of Tim Doty); Annette Duchamp (mother of Vivienne Ward); Elisabeth Fannin (granddaughter of Marilyn Atkinson); The family of Jackie Fisher (family of Tim Doty); Stan Gill & family (brother of Bev Hines); Susan Grant (friend of Coline Coleman); Dick Grignon (relative of Deb & Tim Gammons); Andy Gutman (friend of Kathy Gricius); Connie Hassaballa (sister of Sandy Robison & Judy Russell); The Henderson Family (relatives of Tammy Fulton); Scott Hines (step-grandson of Bev Hines); Lynne & Mark Ivankovics (sister-in-law & brother-in-law of Tim Doty); The family of Barbara Komp; Jaxson Lindquist (grandnephew of Ann Werther); Makayla (granddaughter of Neyssa Gill); Kim Myers (sister-in-law of Denise Myers); Dave Nickel (son-in-law of Kathy Gricius); Nina & Nikolai (residing in Ukraine, relatives of Marcia Booth); Barbara Onofrio (friend of Georgeann Stringer); Marshall Riggs (nephew of Sean & Stephanie Smith); Carol Sarver (friend of Bev Hines); Tony and Kathy Schillaci (friends of Kathy Gricius); Alicia Sims (mother of Lexanna Sims); Mary Spranger (step daughter of Bev Hines); Billy & Trish Stamper (family of Neyssa Gill); Amy Svendsen (niece of Barbara Gough); Lita Thomas (friend of Marilyn Thibodeau); Terry Wingblad (friend of Darleen Sweeney); Randy Wisner (cousin of Darleen Sweeney); Cathy Yount (daughter of Marilyn Atkinson).

All Caregivers

All Military Personnel currently serving here and abroad.

*To add a name to this list, please call your deacon, or the church office at 248-349-0911. Please note that names are added to the Prayer Ministry list only with the individual's permission. This list will be purged and reprinted periodically. **Kindly let us know when to remove a name. Thank you.***

Cards are available for the congregation to sign on the **third Sunday** (or occasionally the second Sunday) of each month.

WEEK OF MAY 17, 2026 — MAY 24, 2026

Sun. 5/17		Seventh Sunday of Easter/Day of Service
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, CLC
	10:15 am	Day of Service, Throughout the Church
	11:30 am	Confirmation Class, Library
Mon. 5/18	9:15 am	Preschool Graduation, CLC
	7:00 pm	Scout Troop 755, Off-site
Tue. 5/19	6:00 pm	Fellowship Activities Meeting, Library
	6:00 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	7:30 pm	Session, Library & via Zoom
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting, CLC
	8:00 pm	AI-Anon Meeting, Boll Hall
Wed. 5/20	8:00 am	Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
	9:30 am	Preschool Graduation, CLC
	10:00 am	Walking Group, Ford Field (Northville)
	10:45 am	Preschool Graduation, CLC
	1:00 pm	Property Workday, Throughout the Church
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thurs. 5/21	9:30 am	Preschool Graduation, CLC
	11:00 am	Prayer Group, Study
	6:15 pm	Yoga, Children's Wing
	7:00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center
	7:00 pm	Men's Discussion Group, Gathering Room
Fri. 5/22	9:30 am	Agape, Gathering Room
	1:30 pm	Fourth Friday at Fox Run, Fox Run Senior Living
Sat. 5/23		
Sun. 5/24		Pentecost Sunday
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary and Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall