

Rest *for the* Weary

Come to me, all you that are weary
and carrying heavy burdens, and

I will give you rest.

Matthew 11:28



July 5, 2026
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Communion Sunday

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

~ The prelude is to be a time of reflection and preparation for worship ~

Welcome

Prelude *Morning Reflection* David Wagner

Announcements

Introit *Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me* **#71**
Summer Choir

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

One: O sing to the Lord a new song;

All: sing to the Lord, all the earth.

One: Declare God's glory among the nations;

All: tell all the people of God's marvelous works.

One: Say among the nations: The Lord is sovereign!

All: God will judge the peoples with equity.

One: Let us worship God!

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn** *My Country, 'Tis of Thee* **#337**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. We are often a people divided, clinging to the values of a broken world rather than the peace of Christ among us. The fears we harbor set neighbor against neighbor, twisting your good gifts of imagination and freedom into instruments of oppression. Lord, have mercy. Heal us. Forgive us. Set us free to serve you as agents of your reconciling love.

(Silent Confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Message Stephen Flavin

Prayer for Illumination

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Scripture Readings

First Scripture Reading—Romans 7:15–25a

¹⁵I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. ¹⁹For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. ²⁰Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. ²²For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, ²³but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? ²⁵Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

Second Scripture Reading—Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30

¹⁶“But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

¹⁷ ‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

¹⁸For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; ¹⁹the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

²⁵At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; ²⁶yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

²⁸“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. ²⁹Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Meditation

Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Call for the Offering

Offertory *Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing* G. Young
Summer Choir

*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Supper (All are invited to take communion)

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus (sung, see page 7)

...Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

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.**

Breaking the Bread

Communion of the People

Hymns During Communion

#338 — *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

#509 — *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly*

Prayer After Communion

***Sending Hymn** *Lift Every Voice and Sing* **#339**

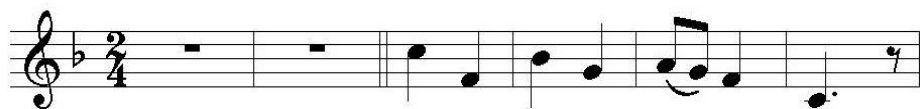
***Benediction**

***Sung Response** *God Be With You Till We Meet Again* **#541**

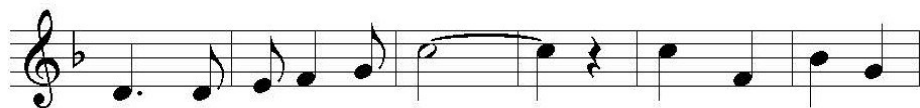
Postlude *Sortie in B Flat Major* Louis Lefebure-Wely

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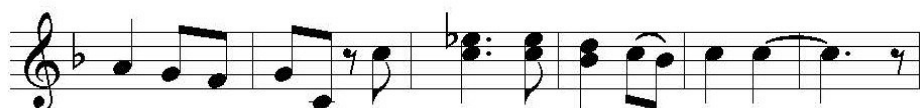
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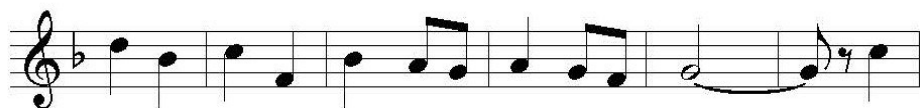
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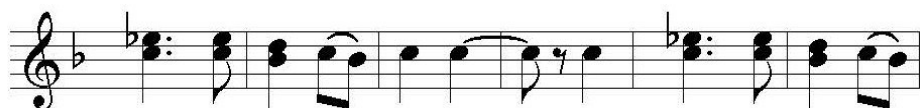
God of pow-er and might!_____ Heav'n and earth are



full of your glo-ry: Ho - san - na in the high-est!_____



Blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!_____ Ho -



san - na in the high-est!_____ Ho - san - na in the



high - est!_____

To The Glory of God...

*The flowers in the chancel are given by
Karen Seaman with the message:
“Happy birthday, America! Celebrating
250 years on July 4.”*



Worship Leaders and Staff:

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Rev. Jacqueline Spycher, Senior Pastor
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IN OUR
Thoughts and Prayers

Congregation: Marilyn Atkinson; Barb Bakewell; Judy & Ron Blackburn; Marcia Booth; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Rev. Jamie Faile; Sarah French & family; Carol Geake and the family of Bob Geake; Neyssa Gill; Ron & Lois Housman; Barb Johnson; Donna Kennedy; Mary Kirn; the family of 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 Blaszczowski (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 and Tim Gammons); Andy Gutman (friend of Kathy Gricius); Connie Hassaballa (sister of Sandy Robison & Judy Russell); The Henderson Family (relatives of Tammy Fulton); the Family of Rosa Lee Herman; 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); Wes & Penny Norton (parents of Guy Sartorius); Barbara Onofrio (friend of Georgeann Stringer); Marshall Riggs (nephew of Sean & Stephanie Smith); Carol Sarver (friend of Bev Hines); Kathy Schillaci (friend of Kathy Gricius); Alicia Sims (mother of Lexanna Sims); Mary Spranger (stepdaughter 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.

The Bulletin Board



This Sunday is '5 Cents a Meal' Sunday! For every meal you and your family members enjoyed over the past month, we are asking that you contribute 5 cents to help feed the hungry in our community. Thanks in advance for your gracious gifts!

Grief Support Group—Due to the office closure on July 3, the monthly Grief Support Group meeting for July will be held this Friday, July 10, at 10 a.m. in the Youth Room. If you are grieving the loss of a loved one feel free to join us—regularly or occasionally. The group meets on the first Friday of each month. Please Contact Wanda Moon for more information.

Sunday, July 19 — Come for worship. Stay for ice cream. Leave having made a difference. Our deacons will lead worship, and we hope you'll stay for everything that follows. After the service, we'll hold a brief safety drill, then head to Boll Hall for an ice cream social hosted by the Fellowship Committee. At 11:30 a.m., the Mission and Outreach Committee invites you to the Gathering Room to fill backpacks for local foster children. Many hands make light work — and meaningful work.

Declan Carter Victory Run: August 29—Join us for the second annual Declan Carter Victory Run in downtown Northville on Saturday, August 29. Choose between a 5k Run/Walk starting at 9 a.m. or the Mighty Mini Mile (1 mile course) beginning at 8:30 a.m. There is a \$40 race fee for the 5k and a \$25 race fee for the Mighty Mini Mile. Register by August 16 to avoid increased fees. Both races start and finish at Our Lady of Victory (133 Orchard Dr., Northville, MI 48167). All money raised goes toward the Declan Carter Foundation and its efforts to support youth athletics and academics in our community and the surrounding area. If you would like to participate, you may scan the QR code to join the FPCN team.



Crossroads of Michigan: Children's Summer Lunch—Throughout the summer, Crossroads of Michigan hosts a free Children's Summer Lunch program that is open to children under 18 years old and their caregivers. Each day, they rely on volunteers to help provide kid-friendly programming to build community and to make the day's hot lunch. This program runs Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., now through August 22. Please scan the QR code to sign up for a volunteer shift.



Children's Sunday School Schedule—Children's Sunday School is paused for the summer. During the summer months, your children will be able to either go back to the Toddler Room or remain in worship.



Youth Mission Trip 2026: Toledo, Ohio



WEEK OF JULY 5, 2026 — JULY 12, 2026

Sun. 7/5		Sixth Sunday after Pentecost and Communion Sunday
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary and Facebook Live
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
Mon. 7/6		
Tue. 7/7	1:00 pm	Adult Education Committee, Study
	5:30 pm	HR Committee, via Zoom
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting, CLC
	8:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting, Boll Hall
Wed. 7/8	8:00 am	Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
	10:00 am	Walking Group, Ford Field (Northville)
Thurs. 7/9	11:00 am	Prayer Group, Study
	7:00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center
	7:00 pm	Men's Discussion Group, Gathering Room
Fri. 7/10	10:00 am	Grief Support Group, Youth Room
Sat. 7/11	11:00 am	Memorial for RosaLee Herman, Sanctuary
Sun. 7/12		Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary and Facebook Live
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
	4:00 pm	Handbell Concert, Sanctuary