

JESUS FEEDS



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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

555 Bingham Avenue
Sault Ste Marie, MI 49783
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August 2nd, 2026

Rev. Mark Gabbard
Liturgist—Sandy Robbins
Music Director: Kay Boyne / Guitar: David Blackburn



OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE “With This Cup and With This Bread” (Logan)

INTROIT “We Are the Family of God” (Byron)

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?

You, who did not withhold your own Son, will you not also give us all things through him?

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

We do not know how to pray as we ought, but as Christ intercedes on our behalf, we are emboldened to come before your throne of grace. You make us mindful of your bountiful care as each morning we arise to greet the dawn of a new day. As we enter the sanctuary, we behold your countenance in the eyes of sisters and brothers. As your Word is read and proclaimed we hear how you have been faithful throughout the ages. Be pleased with our offerings of praise and thanksgiving as we respond to your goodness in thought, word, and deed. Amen.

✠ HYMN “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” #90

✠ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, have mercy upon us as we make our confession. We question your judgement when your will conflicts with our own. We are reluctant to follow the course you prescribe. Our patience

✦ **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**
Paul assures us that the Spirit helps us in our weakness and intercedes us according to God's will. In Jesus Christ, God calls us, and God conforms us to Christ, so that in him we receive the promise of new life. As we dwell in the Spirit let us also rest assured in the promise. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen.

✠ PASSING OF THE PEACE
The peace of God be with you.
And also, with you.
Greet one another in Peace.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

ANTHEM "Remember Me" (Adams)

THE WORD OF GOD

SERMON "Final Test"

✠ HYMN “Let Us Break Bread Together” #460

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S TABLE

Invitation

The Lord's Prayer

Communion

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us say what we believe.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

The Prayers of the People

OFFERTORY "Hymn of Adoration" (Schubert)

✠ DOXOLOGY "O Bless the Gifts" #817

O Bless the gifts our hands have brought; And bless the work our hearts have planned. Ours is the faith, the will, the thought; The rest, O God, is in Your hand.

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Treasures lose their luster, and riches are easily spent, but your kingdom endures forever. We approach you, O God, trusting your will for our lives. You give us assurance of your abiding presence. You provide us with confidence as we follow Christ's call. Accept now the gifts that we offer, so that your truth may be known throughout the land. Amen.

✠ HYMN "Because He Lives" #358

✠ BENEDICTION

✠ POSTLUDE "Celebration" (Paxton)

WE WELCOME EVERYONE TO THE FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

We pray you'll be nourished in faith as you hear God's message for you. Jesus welcomed everyone; that is our aim, too. Whether you are here for the first time or the thousandth, we count ourselves blessed by your presence. Persons interested in more information about the First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or to call the church office. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- ✦ Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM
The nursery is available for your use during the worship service.
- ✦ A Celtic cross (✦) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.
- ✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.
- ✦ If you need the Pastor after office hours, please call the church and leave a message on the Pastor's voicemail. If you call during office hours and he is not available, the staff may be able to provide his cell #.
- ✦ Pre-service refreshments are available each Sunday in the Westminster Room.

FOR THE **HEARING IMPAIRED**

Hearing assistance devices are available. If you would like to use a receiver, please ask an Usher for assistance.



The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:
Invite people to know and glorify God
Grow together as followers of Christ
Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit

***We ask that you remember these people in your prayers
throughout the coming week:***



Marge Simpkins, Geraldine Carnahan,
Ronan Mouw, Dr. Pat Newhouse, Stephanie Vert,
all those who are traveling,
all those who are homebound,
all missionaries, and all members of the
U.S. Armed Forces.

***Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.
Unless we are informed otherwise, names are listed for 2 weeks.***

FUPC Meetings/Groups—standard gathering times / or as noted.

Choir Practice—Every Wednesday at 5:30pm / Every Sunday at 9:15am

Circle 3—2nd Thursday at 9:30am (WR)

Deacons—2nd Sunday at 11:15am (WR)

Men's Study Group—Every Friday at 9:00am (WR)

Presbyterian Women—3rd Tuesday at Noon (SH)

Session—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (WR)

Textile Social Group—1st, 3rd & 4th Thursdays at 9:30am (SH)

Trustees—3rd Monday at 5:30pm (LB)

Women's Bible Study -- 1st, 3rd & 4th Wednesdays at 9:30am (WR)

Minister: Rev. Mark D. Gabbard / pastor@soopresbyterian.org

Commissioned Ruling Elder: Brenda Ransom

Clerk of Session: Julie Walsh

President of Trustees: Ron Meister

Chairman of Deacons: Jeanne Shibley

Music Director/Organist: Kay Boyne / *Guitarist: David Blackburn*

Administrative Assistant: Maria Price / office@soopresbyterian.org

Sexton: Jason Fuller

Office Hours: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Monday-Friday

Pastor's Office Hours: 9:15 AM to 12:00 PM, Monday-Friday

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A BIG “THANK YOU” to the ladies of PW and ALL who helped with their annual rummage sale yesterday. Whether you donated items to sell or donated your time, it was greatly appreciated!

PLEASE HELP THE VBS MISSION PROJECT by donating school supplies and non-perishable food items to fill backpacks for the upcoming school year. Examples of items to donate are Kleenex, pencils, notebooks, highlighters, colored pencils, breakfast bars, granola bars, microwaveable mac n cheese cups, fruit cups, pudding cups, etc. Donations may be dropped off in the church workroom. If you have any questions, please contact Amie Lawson.

MUSIC IN THE PARK on August 5th is “**A Night of Native Music**” and August 12th will feature **Molly Escherich**. “Music in the Park” is held at the Soo Locks Park and begins at 7:00 PM.

THE FUPC FOOD PANTRY DATES FOR AUGUST ARE August 11TH and August 25th. Our food pantry is always the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from 3:30 – 5:00 PM.

YOU ARE INVITED TO AN OPEN HOUSE at Presbytery Point Camp! Come tour the grounds, meet the new camp director, learn about our mission and taste some yummy camp food! **Please join us on August 22nd from 1:00 to 7:00PM at 211 Brown Rd, Michigamme, MI.**

ATTENDANCE FROM 7-26-26: 70

OFFERING FROM 7-26-26: \$1,914.00

Friendly Reminders

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **8/9 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
- **8/11 – FUPC Food Pantry**
- **8/22 – Presbytery Point Open House**
- **8/23 – 13th Sunday after Pentecost**
- **8/25 – FUPC Food Pantry**

This Week At A Glance

SUNDAY 8/2

9:00am - Coffee Hour (WR)

9:00am - Choir Practice (S)

10:00am - Worship Service (S)

***Communion**

MONDAY 8/3

7:00pm - Scout Troop #105 (SH)

TUESDAY 8/4

Try a new recipe

WEDNESDAY 8/5

Donate to a cause that is close to your heart.

THURSDAY 8/6

Support a local, small business.

FRIDAY 8/7

9:00am – Men's Study Group (WR)

SATURDAY 8/8

7:00pm - AA

SUNDAY 8/9

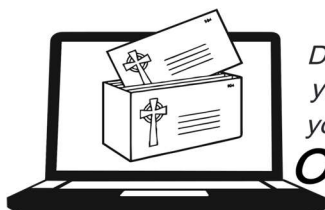
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10:00am - Worship Service (S)

11:15am – Deacons Meeting (WR)

WR-Westminster Room, MR-Music Room, S-Sanctuary, LB-Library, SH-Social Hall



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