



"THE RIGHTEOUS WILL

shine like the sun

IN THE KINGDOM OF THEIR FATHER."

Matthew 13:43

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

555 Bingham Avenue

Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

July 19th, 2026

Rev. Mark Gabbard
Liturgist—Dee Musgrave
Music Director—Kay Boyne / Guitar: David Blackburn



OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE “He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought” (Lewis)

INTROIT “I Love You, Lord” (Klein)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Accept my offerings of praise, O Lord, and teach me your ordinances.

Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.

I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, even unto the end.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Like a beacon you lead us to safe havens. Like a laser you discern the thoughts of our hearts. You enlighten our darkness and clarify our confusion.

You, indeed, rescue us when we are bewildered and lost. Accept now our offerings of praise and thanksgiving as we open your word and learn of your ways. Amen.

✠ HYMN “Morning Has Broken”

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✠ A LITANY OF ASSURANCE

The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do.

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✠ HYMN “The Church’s One Foundation” #401

✠ 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; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended to 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; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection
of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

The Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

OFFERTORY "I Shall Not Want"

(Clarke)

✠ 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. Amen.***

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**As you delivered Rebekah from her barrenness so also you fill our
lives with your blessings. Send us in Christ's name into the world to
sow your seeds of righteousness and peace. We offer ourselves to
your service with the prayer that we become receptive to your
command. Nourish us with the gift of your Spirit that we may grow
more pleasing in your sight. We pray that the fruit of our faith shall
lead others to you. Amen.**

✠ HYMN "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

#586

✠ BENEDICTION

✠ POSTLUDE "A Day for Rejoicing"

(Smith)

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're 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 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 prayer
throughout the coming week:***



Ronan Mouw, Marge Simpkins,
Dr. Pat Newhouse, Stephanie Vert,
Geraldine Carnahan, all missionaries,
All those affected by the wildfires in
Minnesota and Canada,
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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THE HIAWATHALAND CHORUS will be performing July 25TH at 7:00 PM at the Rudyard Christian Reformed Church. Please join us for an evening of beautiful music!

THE PW'S ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE: Your outdated, unused and overflow items are needed for the rummage sale being held on Saturday, August 1st. You can drop off your items Monday - Thursday July 27th through the 30th from 9:00AM – 12:00PM. Also, an evening drop off is available Wednesday July 29th from 6:00PM – 8:00PM. We need volunteers to help set up, to help on sale day, to pack things when the sale is completed, and pick-ups to bring things away. Please contact Doris Boogerd at 616.901.4299 if you are willing to help.

COMMUNION will take place on Sunday, August 2nd.

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.**

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed on July 23rd & 24th. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

SUNDAY ATTENDANCE FOR 7/12/2026 **52**

SUNDAY OFFERING FOR 7/12/2026 **\$3,891.00**

Friendly Reminders

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **7/19 – 8th Sunday after Pentecost**
- **7/23 & 7/24 – Church office will be closed**
- **7/26 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost**
- **7/28 – FUPC food pantry 3:30 – 5:00 pm**
- **8/2 – Communion Sunday**

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY 7/19

9:00am - Social Hour (WR)
9:00am - Choir Practice (S)
10:00am - Worship Service (S)

MONDAY 7/20

5:30pm - Session Meeting (WR)
5:30pm - Trustees Meeting (LB)
7:00pm - Scout Troop #105 (SH)

TUESDAY 7/21

12:00pm – PW Meeting (SH)

WEDNESDAY 7/22

Visit a homebound member

THURSDAY 7/23

9:30am – Textile Social (SH)

***Office Closed**

FRIDAY 7/24

9:00am - Men's Study Group (WR)

***Office Closed**

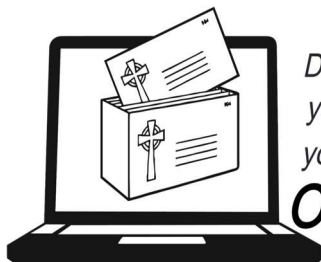
SATURDAY 7/25

7:00pm - AA (WR)

SUNDAY 7/26

9:00am - Social Hour (WR)
9:00am - Choir Practice (S)
10:00am - Worship Service (S)

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



*Did you know
you can give
your offerings*

ONLINE ?

