

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 CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH (Please sign & pass the registration folder)

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY "Legacy of Grace" (Logan)

* DOXOLOGY "Doxology" #815

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We come with assurance, O God, since you do not leave us alone. Your presence continues to guide us as we pursue the paths of discipleship. All that we have is a gift of your grace. As we offer our gifts to you, accept them as signs of our commitment to Christ. May all that we do be in praise of your encompassing care.

* CLOSING HYMN "Pass It On" (Insert #557)

* CHORAL BENEDICTION "May Our Paths Meet Again"
(Albrecht/Althouse)

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE "Marching to Zion" (Scriveyner)



*In your
hearts
revere
Christ
as Lord.*

1 PETER 3:15, NIV

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FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Mark Gabbard— Preaching
Mary Frances Morden - Liturgist

Music - Kay E. Boyne

May 21, 2017 10:00 AM Worship Service

6th Sunday of Easter

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE "Spring Morning" (Helter)

INTROIT "When I Look Into Your Holiness" (Perrin)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what the Lord has done for me.

Truly God has listened and given heed to the words of my prayer.

You are blessed, O God, because you have not rejected my prayer, or removed your steadfast love from me.

I will come into your house and pay you my vows, those that my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.

Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

* HYMN "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #210

* LITANY OF ASSURANCE

Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is right? Have no fear of them, nor be troubled.

For Christ also died for sins once and for all, that he might bring us to God.

Keep your conscience clear, so that those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame.

For Christ also died for sins once and for all, that he might bring us to God.

Baptism now save you, as an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

For Christ also died for sins once and for all, that he might bring us to God.

Christ has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to God.

For Christ also died for sins once and for all, that he might bring us to God.

* GLORIA PATRI "Glory Be to the Father" #812

**Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.**

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

Greet one another in Peace.

ANTHEM "Have Faith in God" (Peterson)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(children are dismissed to the Classrooms, for Sunday School)

* HYMN "Lord, Speak to Me" #667

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Acts 17:22 – 31 (pages 120 – 121, NT)

1 Peter 3:13 - 22 (page 207)

John 14:15 – 21 (page 95, NT)

SERMON "A New Commandment"

* HYMN "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" #400

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us say what we believe.

The Apostles' Creed

This Week's Calendar May 21, 2017 - May 28, 2017

Sunday, May 21	Monday, May 22
9:00 AM Early Social Hour (WR) 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School (SH) 10:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:15 AM Deacon's Meeting (Lib) 12:00 PM Soup Kitchen 2:00 PM Freighter View Service	7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #105 (SH) 7:00 PM ACT Study Group (WR)
Tuesday, May 23	Wednesday, May 24
12:00 PM Lock City Meeting (Lib)	9:00 AM Women's Bible Study (Lib) 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, May 25	Friday, May 26
10:00 AM Textile Social (SH) 12:00 PM Lock City Meeting (Lib)	9:00 AM Men's Bible Study (SH)
Saturday, May 27	Sunday, May 28
9:00 AM NA (WR) 7:00 PM AA (WR)	9:00 AM Early Social Hour (WR) 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School (SH) 10:00 AM Worship Service 10:00 AM Sunday School 12:00 PM Soup Kitchen

SH = Social Hall

Lib = Library

WR = Westminster Room

"They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

John 14:21 (NSRV)

About First United Presbyterian Church

Church Staff

Minister	Rev. Mark D. Gabbard pastor@soopresbyterian.org
Commissioned Ruling Elder	Donald H. Myers Brenda Ransom
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President of Trustees	Michael J. Lussier
Chairman of Deacons	Jeanne Shibley
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Church Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. and 12:00 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. (Monday through Friday)	
Church Website: www.soopresbyterian.org	

To Our Visitors

We are happy to have you worshipping with us today. If you would like more information about us or are interested in becoming a member of our church family, please complete one of the Welcome cards found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. You may also contact the church office, at 632-7771.

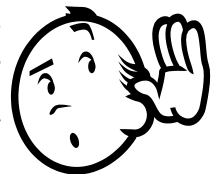
Some notes about our services:

- ✦ We have one Worship service on Sunday
10:00 AM — Worship Service
(Children join our worship service for the first 15 minutes, to hear the Children's Sermon)
- ✦ Sunday School
9:00 AM—Adult Sunday School (Social Hall)
10:15 AM—K through 12th Grade,
all meet in lower level classrooms
- ✦ The nursery is available for your use during the worship service, with an attendant.
- ✦ An asterisk (*) preceding a service element indicates the congregation should stand.
- ✦ **Bold** indicates congregation participation.



Hearing Assistance

is now available. For those who 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

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We encourage you to remember these people in your prayers throughout the coming week: Family of Charles Addis, Andrea Klier, Charles Porter, Jean Smith, Gina Gough, Dorothy Smart, Geraldine Carnahan, Rev. Dennis Boogerd, Christine Mickelson, Pat White, Joyce Cross, Jane Kellan, Lillian Donelson, Shane Miller, Kevin Tastor, Tara Jean Brody, Jim Schmidt, William Kellan, Alex McCready, Kristi (Dee Musgrave's daughter), Tom and Ellen Woodgate, Wendy (Menard) James, and all members of missionaries and the U.S. Armed Forces.

Please keep us up to date on your prayer request.

If you would like to add individuals to the prayer list or your prayers have been answered and you would like to be removed from the list, please contact the office.

VISITORS, WELCOME 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 First United Presbyterian Church, or in joining this congregation, are invited to fill out a 'Welcome' card found in the pews, or call the church office at 632-7771. Rev. Gabbard will be in contact with you. Please be sure to sign our Guest Book, near the entrance to the Sanctuary. Thank you for worshiping with us today.

PRAYER REQUESTS ... We have Prayer Request slips available in the narthex, near the sanctuary doors. If you would like to request prayers today, please fill out a slip and hand it to one of the ushers prior to the service.

RIDES TO CHURCH ... If anyone needs a ride to church, please call the church office (632-7771) before Friday of each week, and the deacons will arrange a pick up time.

DEACON PRAYER CHAIN ... Please continue to remember the Deacon Prayer Chain, if you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers. Contact Ginger Stratton. Thank you.

STAIN GLASS WINDOW UPDATE ... The stain glass window committee is in the process of completing the circular window above the cross in front of the church. Anyone wishing to contribute to the cost of this project in any amount would be appreciated. The picture of the window is displayed in the narthex. Envelopes are available by the picture and the pews. These can be put in the offering plate or dropped off in the office. Please have your donations in by June 1, 2017, so we can have this completed by fall.. For more information please contact Denise in the church office Monday thru Friday 8 am to 2:30 pm.

PIANO FOR SALE ... If anyone is interested in an old, well used church piano, please contact Mike Lussier for details.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARD ... Nominations for the PW Honorary Life Membership Award will be accepted until July 2nd. Letters with nominee name and information can be left in an sealed envelope at the Church Office or PW mailbox. The award presentation will be on Sunday, September 17th.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS .. Meijer's has selected the FUPC Food Pantry for it's spring *Simply Give* campaign from May 14-June 18. Meijer's will match each purchase of a \$10 gift card, and double the match on June 2-3. The funds will be used to purchase food items for our pantry shelves.

PRESBYTERY POINT CAMP REGISTRATION ... It is time to register for Presbytery Point Camp. The Kennedy family established the Kennedy Fund for the purpose of providing financial assistance to Presbytery Point campers. . Again we are pleased to announce that through the Kennedy Fund, FUPC will pay half of the camp fees from Choice 1 of the registration forms. Presbytery Point registration forms can be found in the Narthex or on-line at www.presbyterypoint.org. Return your forms to the church office Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM.

Choice 1 is supported by Friends of the Point gifts to help with camper costs.

Choice 2 includes partial support sponsored by camp alumni

Choice 3 more closely reflects the true costs of camp

TEXTILE SOCIAL ... Textile Social will be meeting every Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm in the month of May. We will resume again in the fall.

BULLETIN BOARD ... Please visit the bulletin board across from the office for information concerning local events, news, and resources available in the community.

SERVING US THIS WEEK

Greeters: Brenda Ransom and Barb Kenn

Ushers: Charlie Zane, Abby Gazvoda, Margaret Money, Alegra Soorus, & Audrey Zane

Soup Kitchen: - Faith Lutheran church

Coffee & Cookies Fellowship May 28th Christian Education

SERVING US NEXT WEEK

Greeters: Brenda Ransom and Barb Kenn

Ushers: Bob Nicholls, Roland Akre, Barb Kenn, Jo Anne Lussier, & Rosalee Mullins

Soup Kitchen: - Faith Lutheran church

Sunday School Attendance: 11

Attendance Last week:

Last week's offering: \$3,155

Year-to-05/14/17 offerings: \$69,447

Year-to-05/14/17 expenses: \$70,403