

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Blessing Song" (Gordon)

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 "Sinfonia from Cantata No 156" (Bach)  
Flute: Jackie Tastor

\* 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

**Giver of eternal gladness, Fountain of life from whom flow endless blessings,  
all that we have is a gift of your love. Accept now these offerings of  
thanksgiving, symbols of our grateful response to Christ's sacrifice for us. Use  
our gifts to spread the good news of repentance and forgiveness of sins. May  
they bring times of refreshment as results of Christ's presence.**

\* CLOSING HYMN "Love Lifted Me" #508

\* CHORAL BENEDICTION "Blessings II" (Sleeth)

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\* POSTLUDE "Triumphal March" (Turner)



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# FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Mark Gabbard, Preaching

Tina Kay - Liturgist

Music - Kay E. Boyne

April 15, 2018 10:00 AM Worship Service

3rd Sunday of Easter/Baptisms

## OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE "Elegy" (Ritter)

INTROIT "In Moments Like These" (Graham)

## CALL TO WORSHIP

O God, be gracious to me and hear my prayer.

**Know that God has set us apart and hears us when we call.**

O God, lift up the light of your countenance upon us.

**O God, be gracious to us and hear our prayer.**

Let us worship God!

## PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

\* HYMN "When Morning Gilds the Skies" #215

## \* LITANY OF AFFIRMATION

See what love God has given us that we should be called God's children.

**What God foretold by the mouths of the prophets, God fulfilled.**

It does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when God appears we shall be in God's likeness.

**What God foretold by the mouths of the prophets, God fulfilled.**

Every one who thus hopes in God is made pure, as God is pure.

**What God foretold by the mouths of the prophets, God fulfilled.**

Whoever does right is righteous, as God is righteous.

**What God foretold by the mouths of the prophets, God fulfilled.**

\* 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 "Family of Christ" (Besig)

Flute: Jackie Tastor

CHILDREN'S SERMON (*children are dismissed to the Classrooms, for Sunday School*)

\* HYMN "Near the Cross" #319

## THE WORD OF GOD

### SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Acts 3:12 - 19 (page 105, NT)

I John 3: 1 - 7 (page 212, NT)

Luke 24:36 - 48 (pages 78 - 79, NT)

SERMON "Let's Get Physical"

\* HYMN "Spirit of the Living God" #389

## CHILD BAPTISMS

Baptism of Autumn Storm Lawrence-Ware

(Parents: Josh Ware & Alanna Lawrence)

Baptism of Ashtin Christine-Joe Kay

(Parents: James & Timi Kay)

## CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Elder: Let us pray.

**Holy God: Remind us of the promises given in our baptism and  
Renew our trust in you. Make us strong to obey your will and  
to serve You with joy; for the sake of Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.**

## This Week's Calendar April 15, 2018 - April 22, 2018

Sunday, April 15	Monday, April 16
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Baptisms</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Early Social Group (WR)            10:00 AM Worship Service            10:00 AM Sunday School            11:15 AM Deacon's Meeting            12:00 PM Soup Kitchen            2:00 PM Freighter View Service            6:30 PM H.S. Youth Group</p>	<p>5:30 PM Session Meeting (WR)            5:30 PM Trustee Meeting (Lib)            7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #105 (SH)            7:00 PM ACT Study Group (WR)</p>
Tuesday, April 17	Wednesday, April 18
<p>9:30 AM Ladies Coffee Hour (SH)            12:00 PM Lock City Meeting (Lib)</p>	<p>9:30 AM Women's Bible Study (Lib)            6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal</p>
Thursday, April 19	Friday, April 20
<p>10:00 AM Textile Social (SH)            12:00 PM Lock City Meeting (Lib))            6:00 PM Skating Club Fundraising Dinner</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Office Closed</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Men's Bible Study (WR)</p>
Saturday, April 21	Sunday, April 22
<p>9:00 AM NA (WR)            7:00 PM AA (WR)</p>	<p>9:00 AM Early Social Group (WR)            10:00 AM Worship Service            10:00 AM Sunday School            11:30 AM Coffee &amp; Cookies Fellowship            12:00 PM Soup Kitchen            6:00 PM Cub Scout Ceremony            6:30 PM H.S. Youth Group</p>

SH = Social Hall

Lib = Library

WR = Westminster Room

"This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all."

1 John: 1:5 (NSRV)

## *About First United Presbyterian Church*

### Church Staff

<b>Minister</b>	Rev. Mark D. Gabbard pastor@soopresbyterian.org
<b>Commissioned Ruling Elder</b>	Donald H. Myers Brenda Ransom
<b>Clerk of Session</b>	Audrey A. Zane
<b>President of Trustees</b>	Michael J. Lussier
<b>Chairman of Deacons</b>	Jeanne Shibley
<b>Music Director/ Organist</b>	Kay E. Boyne
<b>Financial/Admin. Assistant</b>	Denise Goldade office@soopresbyterian.org
<b>Sexton</b>	Jeremy Witte
<b>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)</b>	
<b>Church Website: <a href="http://www.soopresbyterian.org">www.soopresbyterian.org</a></b>	



### **Please Silence**

**All cell phones & pagers prior to worship service.**

### 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  
(Children join our worship service for the first 15 minutes to hear the Children's Sermon)
- ✦ Sunday School  
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 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:

Kathleen Yelinek (Jennie McCain's sister), John Jobes, Diane McMeeken, Aaron Corbiere, Lois Hillock, Jon Burgess, Esther Hollingsworth, Andrea Klier, Gina Gough, Geraldine Carnahan, Pat Whyte, Jane Kellan, Christine Mickelson, Joyce Cross, Lillian Donelson, Jim Schmidt, William Kellan, Alex McCready, Tara Jean Brody, Wendy (Menard) James, 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. 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.

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

**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

**FUND RAISER FOR ORGAN UPDATE ...** The organ is in need of an update. There is a recording system on it that allows Kay to record what she is playing and then use that recording as playback to accompany her or it can be used to simply play a song. The system has become obsolete and needs to be replaced. (*For those of you technically savvy, the recordings are placed on a 3.5" floppy...The new system would place all recordings on a flash drive.*) The church is accepting donations to this update through May 1<sup>st</sup>. The expected cost is \$2,000. Donations may be placed in a pew envelope marked "Organ" or you can place a separate check in your weekly offering envelope with a memo marked "Organ". If you have any questions about this update, feel free to speak to Rev. Gabbard, a member of the Trustees, or Kay.

**BAPTISMS ..** Today we celebrate the Baptisms of Ashtin Kay and Autumn Lawrence-Ware. Congratulations!

**PRESBYTERIAN POINT CAMP WISH LIST ...** It is time to start thinking about Presbytery Point Camp and items they have on their wish list. For more information see the list on the bulletin board and to arrange getting item(s) to camp, call Caron at (906)869-0925 or email at [ppccc@presbyterypoint.org](mailto:ppccc@presbyterypoint.org). Thanks!

**LADIES COFFEE HOUR ...** All ladies welcome to join! This Tuesday, April 17th at 9:30 am. Come and enjoy a morning of fellowship.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY ...** The Women's Bible Study Group will continue to meet Wednesday mornings at 9:30 A.M. in the library. Ladies, come join us!

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S RESTORE** is doing well but over the winter has gotten a little low on inventory. Please bring us any of the following: household appliances (even the ones that don't work because we recycle metal for money) also beds, tools, building materials, light fixtures, and more. The ReStore is located at 400 Sheridan Avenue. Phone: 906-632-6616 **Open:** 10-4 Wednesday thru Saturday

**SILENT AUCTION ...** Central United Church, 160 Spring St., Sault Ste. Marie, ON is holding their 35th Annual Silent Auction on Thursday, April 26 & Friday, April 27th from 10 am.- 7 pm. This event includes hundreds of bid items, a chuckwagon, bake table, treasures, Central closet & a huge flea market (which is also open on Saturday, April 28th from 9 am – 12 noon with discounted prices). Everyone is invited to come check out all the wonderful items available.

**TEXTILE SOCIAL ...** The Textile Social meets from 10 am to 2 pm in the Social Hall every Thursday. You are invited to bring your textile project and a sack lunch and share time with others with similar interests. Call Ruth Wilson at 632-9355 or Anita Weinrick at 632-3207 with any questions.

**SERVING US THIS WEEK**

**Greeters:** Chad Folkersma and Wanda Eby

**Ushers:** Charlie Zane, Margaret Money, Alegra Soorus, & Audrey Zane

**Soup Kitchen:** - Chamber of Commerce

**SERVING US NEXT WEEK**

**Greeters:** Chad Folkersma and Wanda Eby

**Ushers:** Bob Nicholls, Roland Akre, Barb Kenn, JoAnne Lussier, & Rosalee Mullins

**Soup Kitchen:** - Sault Lions Club

**Coffee & Cookies Fellowship - 04/22/18**

**Sunday School Attendance: 19**

**Attendance Last week: 113**

**Last week's offering: \$2,502**

**Year-to-04/08/18 offerings: \$46,423**

**Year-to-04/08/18 expenses: \$59,523**

**(\$13,100)**