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SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 16, 2023 – 10:00 A.M.
PASTOR ROXIE DAVIS

~Let Us Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship~
(Preaching Series: ??Questions of Faith??)

PROCESSIONAL

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Roxie

Passing the Friendship Pad helps us to know who is here and also to know whom we need to reach out to and say: “We missed you in worship.” Please take a moment to sign-in and if you see that there is someone missing who usually sits close to you, take the time to call them this week and make sure everything is OK. For those of you who are visiting, please give us your contact information so that we can keep you informed about the ministries of this particular church family. To all of you, new or seasoned, we believe that God is glad you have chosen to worship this morning.

PRELUDE

Blessed Ye Who Live in Faith Unswerving

Brahms

(During the Prelude, please quietly take time to prepare your heart and mind for God’s presence in worship)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist Judith McLean

***OPENING WORDS (Psalm 105: 1-6) Responsively**

Liturgist Judith

“Give praise to the Lord, proclaim His name;
make known among the nations what the Lord has done.

**² Sing to the Lord, sing praise to the Lord;
tell of all His wonderful acts.**

**³ Glory in God’s holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.**

**⁴ Look to the Lord and his strength;
seek His face always.**

**⁵ Remember the wonders the Lord has done,
His miracles, and the judgments he pronounced,**

**⁶ We are His servants, His chosen ones. His children.”
Let us worship the One who gave us birth.**

***OPENING HYMN**

“Come, Sing O Church, in Joy!”

#430

CALL TO CONFESSION

Liturgist Judith

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Liturgist Judith

Gracious God, You call us to be salt and light but we often keep our lights hidden away. We do not use our words or actions to encourage others to pursue a life with You. We take the Gospel for ourselves, but do not feel the urgency to share this gift of grace with others. Forgive us. Help us to see the opportunities You place before us, to tell others about our faith in You.

(A moment of silent prayer to confess our own personal sins) Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS (Responsively)

Liturgist Judith

There is no condemnation for us.

God has forgiven us, in Jesus Christ.

Let us live in the Spirit.

Through God’s Spirit, we are loved and forgiven.

May we tell others about God’s love and forgiveness.

May the Spirit work through us for the benefit of others.

***SUNG RESPONSE**

Gloria Patri

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, Amen.

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Roxie

SCRIPTURES

Gospel Reading Matthew 28: 16-20

Pastor Roxie

Epistle Readings 1 Peter 3: 13-18

Liturgist Judith

Romans 1: 16-17

Liturgist Judith

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Pastor Roxie

SERMON Question: How Do I Share The Faith?

Pastor Roxie

THE APOSTLES’ CREED (in unison)

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, dead, and 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, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***HYMN “Lord, You Give the Great Commission” (v. 1, 2 and 5) #429**

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
We All Are One in Mission

Liturgist Judith
17th century

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above the Heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Liturgist Judith

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Roxie

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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.

***CLOSING HYMN "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"**

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***BENEDICTION (In Unison)**

Pastor Roxie

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

POSTLUDE

All Praise to Jesus Hallowed Name

J. S. Bach

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH FRIENDSHIP: Please sign the Friendship Register. Make sure others around whom you are sitting have a chance to sign it also. We welcome all of you to the worship God, especially those who are visitors. We welcome you as part of our church family; please give us your e-mail or phone number so we can make you aware of other events that our happening in the church family. The Friendship Sheets go in the Offering Plates. The sharing of our Friendship occurs at the Fellowship Time, following the worship service. You are all invited to Fellowship Time following worship. *No one sits alone at Fellowship Time.*

THANK YOU for sharing your gifts with us! Our liturgist today is Judith McLean. The greeters today are Judith McLean and Sid LaFrance. Coffee hour host is Lavetta Campbell. Sanctuary flowers are provided by Judy and Kim Hall in memory of Gary and Bradley Hall.

PNC PRAYER TIME: Prayer is critical as Churches and Pastors discern what is in their future. Please pray each day for insight and energy for the PNC: Steve Ahlquist, Rick Cameron, Jennie Carolan, Jacquie Green, Linda Hall, Judith McLean.

JOB OPENINGS: We will have two open paid positions for the Christian Education Director and Marketing/Social Media Specialist, starting in September. We want to have the new people overlap with Michelle (C.E. Director) and Jim (Marketing Specialist) over the summer. We have the job descriptions available on the office counter. Please pick one up if you know of someone who would be interested in these positions.

WHY SHOULD I WEAR A NAME-TAG?: Because it will help visitors know that we want them to know who we are. Because it will help those who are new members learn our names. Because long-time members sometimes forget the names of others in the church. Because knowing someone's name means a lot. Because you have your own mailboxes in

the entrance way so you can keep your nametag here. Because God says: "I have called you by name and you are mine." All good reasons to wear your nametag every Sunday for the benefit of others.

BEACH WORSHIP SERVICES: If you are not comfortable with Outreach or Evangelism, then try a soft sell. Pick up a Beach Yard Sign so that your neighbors know that a Beach Service is available to them. They are at the parking lot door. Reaching out can be as easy as putting the sign in your yard.

ADULT CLASS ON "SOUND OF FREEDOM": There will be an **Adult Class** following Fellowship Time **TODAY** to discuss the film, "Sound of Freedom." Whether you saw it on your own, you saw with the group of us who went to Sperry's Theater last Sunday, or whether you have not seen it but want to hear the discussion about Child Human Trafficking, please come to the Lower Level at 11:15 a.m.

GUEST PREACHERS: On July 23rd and July 30th Pastor Roxie will be with her family and there will be other preachers at both services on those dates. They will bring a new perspective on the Word of God. Come and hear what they have to say. Pastor Dave Ash, Director of Youth for Christ will be the preacher on July 23rd and Pastor Tom Seppo, retired Director of Operation Transformation will be the preacher on July 30th. They will be at both the Beach Service (8:00 a.m.) and Sanctuary Service (10:00 a.m.) on each of those Sundays.

G.I.F.T. (Grow In Faith Together)/NURSERY: The G.I.F.T. program resumes in September. The G.I.F.T. and Nursery Rooms will be open and available every Sunday with the Worship Service being live streamed.

Feel free to bring your child/children to either of these rooms to allow them to play while you watch the service on the TV.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS: Please have children pick up their activity bags from the G.I.F.T. room on their hooks for use during service. Feel free to take the children's bulletins home each week. There are extra

coloring/activity sheets and stickers in the bags throughout the summer to provide for learning during the worship for the children. Activity bags are available for visiting children- they are located in the baskets in the sanctuary.

FPC T-SHIRT ORDERS: Membership and Outreach is putting an order together for First Presbyterian Church T-shirts. If you would like to order a t-shirt please fill out the form sent to you by e-mail or call the church office by **Wednesday, July 19th**. The t-shirts will be royal blue with the First Presbyterian logo on the front. There will be sizes youth-3XL available to order and the price range is \$12-\$16 which will depend on how many are ordered. It will take approximately 4 weeks for the shirts to come in once they are ordered.

IF YOU LIKE TO BAKE: We are in need of people to sign up for Coffee Hour which is held in the Gathering Room throughout the summer. Sign up in the counter binder.

CHURCH PHOTO ALBUMS: LAST CALL! The Church Photo Albums are complete. Look in your e-mails for an electronic copy. If you are interested in donating to the cost for a hard copy, it is \$17 for each copy. Please sign up at the church office so we know how many hard copies we still need to order.

LARGE PRINT HYMNS AND BULLETINS: Large print hymnals and bulletins are available for use during the worship service. Please let the ushers know if you would like one for the service.

PRINTED SERMONS: Pastor Roxie's printed sermons are available in the racks on a table near the church office desk.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES AND MINISTRIES TO REMEMBER

STITCH AND CHAT: There are a group of women who meet each **Wednesday morning from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to Stitch and Chat.** They are looking for more stitchers and chatters! Whatever your

project—crocheting, knitting, sewing, helping with the hand quilting project, or just chatting, come! This is a fun and motivated group. If you have questions contact: Peggy Dempsey (810) 300-0429 or Gwen Spiess (308) 325-1317.

ADULT CLASS: "THE CHOSEN": Every **Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.** in the Parlor, there are new people added to this wonderful study group that watches "The Chosen" film series together. We talk, we watch and we listen to each other. This coming Wednesday, we are on Season 2, Lesson 5, since we did not meet last Wednesday night. If you want the story of Jesus to come alive for you, mark your calendar and come, whenever you can! Join us. If you want to go deeper in your faith, a study/reflection book is also made available to you, located in the Parlor.

FOR THE CURIOUS MIND: "THE BACK STORY": **10:00 a.m. on Thursdays:** For the next two Thursdays, July 20th and 27th, there will be No Back Story Class because Roxie will be with her family who have come to visit.

YARD SALE: As our spring cleaning frenzy continues, please keep the Mission Committee's annual summer "indoor-outdoor" yard sale in mind as the new home for your "stuff." The sale will be **August 4th and 5th**, but you will be able to drop your items off at the church the week of **July 16-20th**. Drop off hours will be July 16th after worship and July 17th-20th from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Either Bill Briscoe or a Mission Committee member will be available those days to lend you a hand with your things.

Please note: These are the only times items will be accepted for the sale. All sale proceeds benefit the mission project for the homeless.

DISTRIBUTION OF DOORHANGERS/FLYERS: On **Sunday, July 30th**, **following Fellowship Time**, we will be going around our neighborhood to distribute doorhangers providing information about the upcoming Yard Sale and Ready, Set, Move! Summer Camp (VBS). Please talk to Mark Schian if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: There will be a memorial service for Evelyn Tinsley on **Tuesday, August 1st at 11:00 a.m.** at First Presbyterian Church of Port Huron with a luncheon to follow in the Fellowship Hall. A memorial has been set up in her name.

OPEN HOUSE: On **Sunday, August 13th** following worship we will be hosting an open house revealing the two new redecorated Christian Education rooms. Please join us for fellowship time in both rooms.

READY, SET, MOVE! SUMMER CAMP: Starting **Monday, Aug. 21st-Thursday, August 24th**, we will have our summer camp (Vacation Bible School) from 5:00-7:30 p.m. The Christian Education Committee is looking for volunteers. Please see the sign-up form inside this weeks bulletin on the back of the insert to see where they need volunteers and sign up! Please put your sign-up forms in the offering plates. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Nurnberg.

**Families with children: Please be advised that our worship service, including the Children's Message, is streamed live online. If you would not like your child's face in view, please instruct your children to sit in the front pew with their back facing the congregation or remain in their seats with you. In the summer we have the Beach Worship Service at Lighthouse Beach at 8:00 a.m., and there is no live streaming at that worship service.*

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

*Yard Sale Item Drop Off: Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Mon./7-17: Financial Counters 9:00 a.m.

Wed./7-19: Stitch and Chat 10:00 a.m.

Adult Class: The Chosen 7:00 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- July 23 and July 30 (Sundays): Pastor Roxie will be on vacation
Pastor David Ash preaches on July 23 and Pastor Tom Seppo preaches on July 30 at both the Beach and Sanctuary Services.
- August 1: Memorial for Evelyn Tinsley at 11:00 a.m. at FPC with luncheon to follow
- August 4-5: Annual Mission Committee Yard Sale
- August 13: Open House for Christian Education Rooms 11:15 a.m.
- August 21-24: "Ready, Set, Move!" Summer Camp (VBS)
- August 25: End of Summer Celebration for Children and Adults
- August 27: Farewell Party for Jim and Michelle Fisher
Children's Swim Party at Pastor Roxie's home,
later in the day

***Our mission is know the Love of God,
grow in the Christian faith,
and go share our faith in Jesus Christ.***

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