

WELCOME TO THE
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF PORT HURON



*"Amen, Amen, I tell
you, whoever believes
in me has eternal life."*

John 6:47

TENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
AUGUST 6, 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 Davis

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

Now We Implore God, the Holy Spirit

Buxtehude

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist Michelle Fisher

***OPENING WORDS Psalm 145: 1-7 (Responsively)**

Liturgist Michelle

“I will exalt You, my God the King;

I will praise Your name for ever and ever.

Every day I will praise You and extol Your name forever and ever.

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;

God’s greatness is unsearchable.

One generation commends Your works to another;

they tell of Your mighty acts.

They speak of the glorious splendor of Your majesty

and I will meditate on Your wonderful works.

The might of Your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed,
And I will declare Your greatness.

**We celebrate Your abundant goodness
and joyfully sing of Your righteousness.”**

Amen and Amen!

***OPENING HYMN**

“All Glory, Laud and Honor”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Liturgist Michelle

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Liturgist Michelle

O Lord, God, when we are unhappy, we turn inward rather than coming to You. When we are angry, we lash out at others. When we are going through tough times, we try to figure it out alone. When You seem distant, we lose faith in You. Help us, Lord, to see that You are in everything. You are here to walk beside us. You are present with Your strength and gracious with Your love. Help us to give You praise and thanks, even in those times when life is tough.

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

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS (Responsively)

Liturgist Michelle

Listen with your ears; See with your eyes:

Our God is a loving and forgiving God.

God is worthy of our praise and thanks.

It is through the body and blood of Christ, that we know, for certain,
we are loved and we are forgiven all of our sins.

Thanks be to God. Glory to Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

***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

Old Testament **1 Chronicles 16: 35-36**

Gospel Reading **John 6: 47-50**

Epistle Reading **1 Peter 4: 11**

Liturgist Michelle

Pastor Roxie

Liturgist Michelle

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Pastor Roxie

SERMON **"Amen—Again I Say Amen"**

Pastor Roxie

***HYMN**

"Amen, Amen"

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Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen!

¹See the little baby lying in a manger
on Christmas morning.

²See Him in the temple talking to the elders;
how they all marveled!

³See Him at the seashore preaching to the people,
healing all the sick ones!

⁴See Him in the garden praying to the Father
in deepest sorrow!

⁵See Him on the cross bearing all my sins
in bitter agony!

⁶Yes, He died to save us and He rose on Easter;
Now He lives forever!

⁷Alleluia! Jesus is my Savior,
And He lives forever!

Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen, Amen!

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor Roxie

- The Invitation
- The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving responsively.

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

- (Prayer of Thanksgiving...)
And so, we lift our voices in joyful praise with the choirs of angels who forever sing to the glory of your name:
- **(Sung #138) Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty; Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee. Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**
- Communion
 - Sharing of Bread [Meditative Music while the Bread is taken]
 - Sharing of the Cup [Meditative Music while the Cup is taken]
- Prayers of the People after Communion Together
Loving God, you have given us a share in the one bread and the one cup and made us one with Christ. Help us to bring Your grace and peace to those around us...
And now we pray silently for those who are on our hearts today, especially those who need Your comfort, Your forgiveness and Your peace. (silence) We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord who taught us to pray the Lord's Prayer.

THE SINGING AND SIGNING OF 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.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Liturgist Michelle
Frederick Maker, 1881

***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 Michelle

***CLOSING HYMN**

“Let There Be Peace on Earth”

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Let there be peace on earth
and let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth;
the peace that was meant to be
With God as our Father;
brothers all are we
Let me walk with my brother
in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me,
let this be the moment now.
With every step I take,
let this be my solemn vow
To take each moment;
and live each moment
In peace eternally;
let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

***BENEDICTION** **1 Timothy 1: 17 (In Unison)** Pastor Roxie
**Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.**

POSTLUDE **Prelude in D Minor** Johann Krebs

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH FRIENDSHIP: Please sign the Friendship Register. Make sure others around you 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 happening in the church. 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 Michelle Fisher. The greeter today is Mark Schian. Communion servers are Sharon Levine, Judith McLean, Mark Schian, and Anne Wilton. Coffee Hour Host is Anne Wilton.

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.

YARD SALE: If you were unable to shop on Friday or Saturday, there is still time! Items are for sale during Fellowship time TODAY!

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARIES: Following worship, please join us for Fellowship time to celebrate those who have an August birthday and/or anniversary!

THANK YOU: Dolores Eveningred wants to thank the congregation and Pastor Roxie for their prayers, phone calls, and cards. It has brought such comfort to her and she is thankful for everything everyone has done.

ORGANIST, KNIGHT VERNON, IS REALLY RETIRING!: It is our loss and Knight's gain. Since Knight is in his late 80's, he has decided to really retire! His last Sunday with us is next week, August 13th. At the end of the worship, he will be standing at the Pulpit Sanctuary door with Pastor Roxie, for you to have a chance to say "Goodbye." Our own Gary Rhody will be the substitute organist till the end of August.

THREE JOB OPENINGS: We have THREE job openings now—all paid positions: Organist/Choir Director, Christian Education Director and Marketing/Social Media Specialist, all starting in September. We want to have the new people overlap with Michelle (C.E. Director) and Jim (Marketing Specialist) in August, if possible. We have the job descriptions for the C.E. and Marketing positions available on the office counter. Soon the Organist/Choir Director job description will be on the counter. Please pick one up if you know of someone who would be interested in these positions.

NAME-TAGS: Please don't forget to leave your nametag here in your mailbox so you will have it next Sunday. If you do not have a name tag or mailbox, please leave a note for Administrative Assistant Laura at the office desk.

PER-CAPITA: If you have not yet given towards the per-capita, please consider giving.

BEACH WORSHIP SERVICES: If you don't have a Beach Worship yard sign in your yard, you need one! We are finding that many of our visitors have come to the Beach Service because they saw the yard signs. Our job is to "go fishing" for people. Reaching out can be as easy as putting the sign in your yard. Pick up a sign near the Parking Lot door.

G.I.F.T. (Grow In Faith Together)/NURSERY: The G.I.F.T. program resumes September 17th. Until then, 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 stop by the G.I.F.T. room and have your children pick up their activity bags on their hooks for use during service.

Activity bags are available for visiting children- they are located in the baskets in the sanctuary. Feel free to take the children's bulletins home each week. There are extra coloring/activity sheets and stickers in the bags to provide for learning during the worship for the children.

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 on the table near the church office desk.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES AND MINISTRIES TO REMEMBER

STITCH AND CHAT: There is a group of women who meet each **Wednesday morning from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. to Stitch and Chat.** Are you a stitcher or a chatter? Whichever—come! Bring your latest project or just come and chat! 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 every week. We talk, we watch a segment from the video, "The Chosen," and we listen to each other. This coming Wednesday, we are on Season 2, Lesson 7. If you want the story of Jesus to come alive for you, mark your calendar and come, whenever you can! 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:** We are a curious group! We want you to join us! This class will give you the opportunity to see beyond the Scriptures to be preached on the following Sunday. If this peaks your interest, but Thursday mornings don't work for you, let Pastor Roxie know. If there is enough interest, she will add a class at a more convenient time for you. No previous knowledge of the Scriptures is required. Questions are welcomed.

BAPTISM OF HARRIET LOZEN: The daughter of Matt and Liz Lozen will be baptized at the Beach Service on **Sunday, August 13th.**

KNIGHT VERNON'S LAST SUNDAY AS OUR ORGANIST: On **Sunday, August 13th**, you will have a chance to say "Good-Bye and Thanks" to Knight at the end of the Sanctuary Service.

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: We will have our Summer Camp (Vacation Bible School) from **Monday, Aug. 21st to Thursday, August 24th** from 5:00-7:30 p.m. The Christian Education Committee is looking for volunteers. Please see the sign-up form inside this week's 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.

END OF SUMMER CELEBRATION: On **Friday, August 25th at 7:30 p.m.** bring your chair and attend this Church/Community-wide event! Invite your family and friends! There will be popcorn, games, and (starting at dusk) the showing of an outdoor movie on the big screen.



***OUR MISSION IS KNOW THE LOVE OF GOD,
GROW IN THE CHRISTIAN FAITH,
AND GO SHARE OUR FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST.***

****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:

Mon./8-7:	Financial Counters	9:00 a.m.
Tues./8-8:	Properties Committee	3:00 p.m.
	Membership and Outreach Comm.	7:00 p.m.
Wed./8-9:	Stitch and Chat	10:00 a.m.
	Adult Class: The Chosen	7:00 p.m.
Thurs./8-10:	Adult Class: The Back Story	10:00 a.m.
	Finance Committee Meeting	11:15 a.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- August 15: Summer Camp (VBS) Volunteer Meeting at 4:00 p.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 after worship
Children's Pizza and Swim Party at Pastor Roxie's home at
4:00 p.m.

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