

WELCOME TO THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF PORT HURON



SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024-- 10:00 AM
PASTOR ROXIE DAVIS

~Let Us Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship~

(Preaching Series: LIGHT IN OUR DARKNESS)

Guest Preacher: Pastor Randy Bennett

PRELUDE AND PROCESSIONAL

Pianist, Elizabeth Roe

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

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist Dorinne Crowell

***OPENING WORDS (Responsively)**

We come to worship God, knowing that Jesus is Light in our darkness.

**God promises those who believe in Jesus' Light;
they will never walk in darkness.**

They have the light of Christ.

We come together today to seek to live in God's Light.

We come together today to absorb God's light and share it with others.

***OPENING HYMN**

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Liturgist Dorinne

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Liturgist Dorinne

Lord, God, we come before You, knowing that we have done things that have not been in Your will. We have spoken harshly to others when they needed to hear a word of love. We have walked away from others who have needed a helping hand. We were just too busy or too afraid to extend our hand. We have failed to listen to words we did not want to hear. Help us Lord, to turn our lives towards Your light.

Help us to be more like Jesus.

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

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS (Responsively)

Liturgist Dorinne

No matter who we are.

No matter what we have done.

No matter how we have failed You, O God.

No matter how we have failed each other,

You, O Lord, love us still.

You wrap Your arms around us and say: "You are forgiven."

Thanks be to God for God's grace and mercy.

***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

Genesis 39:21 - 40:23

Liturgist Dorinne and Pastor Roxie

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Pastor Randy Bennett

SERMON "A Cupbearer, A Baker, and Just Another Guy"

Light in Dark Places—Jail Ministry

Pastor Randy

***HYMN**

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

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GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Liturgist Dorinne

***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 Dorinne

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Pastor Roxie

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

THE LORD’S PRAYER (In Unison)

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**

“O For a Closer Walk with God”

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***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Roxie

POSTLUDE

Pianist, Elizabeth Roe

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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 of 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.

THANK YOU for sharing your gifts with us! Our liturgist today is Dorinne Crowell. The greeter today is Shelley Kamer. The Tech Team members running the video and sound board are Mark Schian and Steve Ahlquist. The coffee hour host Nancy Domke. The Sanctuary Flowers are provided by Starrla Opferman in memory of Jim Opferman.

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.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS/COFFEE HOUR HOST: There are available dates in the months of February and March. Please sign up in the book located on the office counter and in Fellowship Hall at Coffee Hour on Sundays.

“FIRST LIGHT” CASUAL CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SERVICE: **Continues each Sunday at 8:30 a.m.** Worship is about 45 minutes long- it includes relevant messages and contemporary worship music, played by Price Smith.

JOB OPENING: We have a job opening for the Children’s Christian Education Director. The job description has been revised, and it is a 7 hours per week position. If you, or anyone you know, may be interested - please pick up a job description from the office counter.

TRANSPORTATION TEAM: We have people in our congregation who need transportation to/from worship. We are organizing a Transportation Team. Please sign up at the church counter.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED- FINANCIAL COUNTERS: The finance team is looking for one or two church members willing to count the weekly offerings on Monday mornings with a partner. Sign up at the church office counter.

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 in the Gathering Room.

UPCOMING EVENT INFORMATION

BIBLE (BASIC INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE LEAVING EARTH) 101 CLASS: TODAY at **11:20 AM** in the Choir Room (just off the Fellowship Hall). This class will provide teachings on various Books of the Bible and Scripture passages, looking ahead to the upcoming month's Preaching Series.

OPEN HOUSE AT DAVIS': TODAY from 4:00-7:00 PM there will be an open house at the Davis Home. There will be a comedy time, led by Joe Manatrey, a new member, from 5:30-6:00 p.m. Food and fun- come any time!

STITCH AND CHAT: A group of women meet each **Wednesday morning from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM to Stitch and Chat.** Are you a stitcher or a chatter? Whichever, come! Bring your latest project or just come to chat!

ADULT CLASS "NOOMA": There will be no Wednesday night classes "Nooma" through Lent. Instead, please join us for the Lenten Prayer and Worship, which are at different area churches (*see below*).

LENTEN PRAYER AND WORSHIP: During the weeks of Lent, different area churches will be holding Lenten Evening Prayer and Worship. This **Wednesday, February 28th will be at FPC, LED BY US, in the Sanctuary at 7:00 PM** If you would like to volunteer to help as ushers, greeters, or elevator monitor, please speak to Pastor Roxie.

ADULT CLASS "THE BACKSTORY": 10 AM on Thursdays- If you don't know much about the Bible, this class is for you. Lively discussion. No Bible expertise needed—just a willingness to set aside one hour a week to be in God's Word. The Scriptures studied will be the preaching Scriptures for the following Sunday.

OLDE TOWN LENTEN LUNCHEONS: Thursday Lenten Luncheons are at **St. John's United Church of Christ (710 Pine Street) at 12:00 PM.** The luncheons, at no cost to the participants, are prepared by various churches. There is a short message delivered by a pastor or community Christian leader. There is an offering received which will be divided between the Men's and Women's Homeless Shelters in our area. You are all invited! Please volunteer to help on March 14th when we are preparing the lunch.

PASTOR'S CLASS FOR CHILDREN: Next **Sunday, March 3rd at 11:20 AM**, there will be a Pastor's Class for Children, in the Choir Room (off from the Fellowship Hall). This class is designed basically for children and their families. However, if there are other adults, who have a child-like heart and spirit, you are invited, also, to hear the discussion with the children.

BABY SHOWER: On **Saturday, March 9th from 1:00-4:00 PM**, a baby shower for Brittney O'Connell, a young woman who has been attending worship for over a year, will be held at the Davis Home. All the women of the church are invited. If you cannot stay for the whole time, please stop in whenever. Games will be played at 2:00 PM and gifts will be opened at 3:00 PM Please sign up at the church office if you will be attending. If you would like to contribute to a group gift, please speak with Barb Wright. If you would like to purchase your own gift, registered at www.babylist.com search "Brittney O'Connell").

W.I.N. (WONDERFUL INTRODUCTION FOR NEWCOMERS) CLASS: There will be NO W.I.N. Class on March 10th, please come to the Spaghetti Dinner and Talent Show (*see below*).

SPAGHETTI DINNER AND TALENT SHOW: On **March 10th following the 10:00 AM Service**, we will be having our Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Talent Show to raise funds for an event for our kids. Artists, we want to show off your talents also! Please bring in any art (painting, sculpture, sewing, etc.) beginning on March 3rd for display during the Talent Show! If you can't get your art here before March 10th, bring it that morning. There is a sign-up sheet in the office to let us know what talent you will be sharing! You can also contact Laura Nurnberg to sign up to be a part of the show (734-642-6883 or lnurnberg2@gmail.com). We are looking for talent, children, youth and adults.

**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 sit with your child in the Parlor where the service is played on the TV.*

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

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

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| Sun./2-25: | “First Light” Contemporary Worship | 8:30 AM |
| | Traditional Worship | 10:00 AM |
| | BIBLE 101 | 11:20 AM |
| Mon./2-26: | Financial Counters | 9:00 AM |
| Tues./2-27: | Worship and Music Committee | 10:00 AM |
| | Marketing Committee | 2:00 PM |
| Wed./2-28: | Stitch and Chat | 10:00 AM |
| | Lenten Prayer Worship at FPC in Sanctuary | 7:00 PM |
| Thurs./2-29: | Adult Class: The Backstory | 10:00 AM |
| | Lenten Luncheon at St. John’s UCC | 12:00 PM |
| Sun./3-3: | First Light Contemporary Worship | 8:30 AM |
| | Traditional Worship | 10:00 AM |
| | Pastor’s Class for Children | 11:20 AM |

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