

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF PORT HURON



The Sixth Sunday in the Easter Season, May 25, 2025
Rev. Kathy Tessin

*** indicates when to stand, as you are able**

PROCESSIONAL

Musician Price Smith

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Kathy Tessin

Welcome to all of you, whether it is your first time visiting with us or this is your spiritual home! Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Pad in your pew so that we can get to know you. **To all present, in-person or online, we believe God is glad you chose to worship this morning.**

PRELUDE

Musician Price Smith

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsively)

Rev. Tessin

How very good and pleasant it is when sisters and brothers live together in unity!

**It is like the precious oil on the head,
like the dew that falls on the mountains of Zion.**

Together, let us worship God.

***OPENING PRAYER**

Rev. Tessin

***OPENING HYMN**

"Let All Things Now Living"

#554

CALL TO CONFESSION

Liturgist Steve Ahlquist

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

Liturgist Steve

Most merciful God, forgive us. We imagine that we can live without you, when you give us our very breath. We seek control over others rather than strive to live in unity. We allow fear to overtake us, even though our lives are in your hands. Draw us back into your steadfast love and shape us into the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. (Moment of silent confession.) Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS (Responsively)
... rejoicing in your baptism. **Thanks be to God!**

Liturgist Steve

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Liturgist Steve

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

***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

Rev. Tessin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liturgist Steve

SCRIPTURE READING

First Reading Eph 4: 25-32 (NRSV) [Pew Bible, NT Pg. 194] Liturgist Steve

Second Reading John 13: 31-35 (NRSV) [Pew Bible, NT Pg. 108] Rev. Tessin

SERMON “A Rhythm of Life: Can You Relate?”

Rev. Tessin

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

***SERMON HYMN**

“Help Us Accept Each Other”

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***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** - excerpt from the PC(USA) A Brief Statement of Faith

We believe in God the Holy Spirit

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

The Spirit justified us by grace through faith,

sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,

and binds us together with all believers

in the one body of Christ the Church....

In a broken and fearful world

the Spirit gives us courage

**to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom and peace.**

Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Tessin

Let us bring our concerns for the world and for one another to God,
praying:
Saving God, **hear our prayer.**

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

Offertory Music

Liturgist Steve
Musician Price

***DOXOLOGY**

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

***THANKSGIVING PRAYER**

Liturgist Steve

***CLOSING HYMN**

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

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***SENDING AND BENEDICTION**

Rev. Tessin

POSTLUDE

Musician Price

Worship Liturgy/Prayers adapted from *Feasting on the Word, Liturgies for Year C, Vol. I, Worship Companion*, editor Kimberly Bracken Long (Westminster John Knox Press: Louisville, KY, 2012)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH FRIENDSHIP: Please be sure to sign the Friendship Register, and provide your email so we can make you aware of other events happening in the church!

THANK YOU for sharing your gifts with us! Our liturgist for today is Steve Ahlquist. The greeter is Ann Murphy. The Tech Team Member running the sound and video board is Laura Gaffney. The sanctuary flowers are provided by Barbara Seymore and Family in memory of Alma Seymore and Bradley Seymore. The fellowship hour refreshments are provided by Sue Murvich.

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL: There is no Sunday School for the months of June, July and August. Classes will resume in late September.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS AND COFFEE HOUR: There are available dates in June and July. Please sign up in the book located on the office counter and in Fellowship Hall at Coffee Hour on Sundays.

PRINTED SERMONS: Previous sermons are printed and available on the table near the church office desk in the Gathering Room.

FACEBOOK: We would love it if you would like and/or share our events and posts on Facebook!

FPC T-SHIRTS: We will be placing an order for FPC t-shirts. They will be blue with the FPC logo. Each shirt will be between \$9-18. Please see the sign-up sheet on the office counter for more specific details and to place an order.

CHURCH PHOTO ALBUM: The church photo album is almost complete. If you have not yet, please send in any changes or additions for your photo and short bio, if desired, to portpresby@gmail.com before **Tuesday, May 27th.**

UPCOMING EVENT INFORMATION

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: No study this week due to Memorial Day. Class will resume **Monday, June 2nd.**

STITCH AND CHAT: A group of women meet each **Wednesday morning from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM** to Stitch and Chat. The group is looking for any old quilt tops that need to be hand quilted, please speak with Peggy Dempsey. If anyone would like to hand-quilt, has a stitching project, would like to learn to quilt, or need help with a knitting project, come join us!

DISCIPLESHIP ADULT STUDY: **Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:30 p.m.** We are continuing a six-week study – “Exploring the Way: An Introduction to Spiritual Formation,” and this week will be exploring Holy Listening.

PENTECOST PC(USA) OFFERING: On **Sunday, June 8**, the Mission Committee is once again asking you to “pour out your spirit” and show “we are there” for the Presbyterian Mission Agency’s annual Pentecost offering. The money we collect will be divided four ways: 40% staying with us to support our own youth ministries, 25% going for the agency’s Young Adult Volunteer programs, 25% helping to support national and international youth ministries and 10% going toward the “Educate a Child, Transform the World” national initiative. Last year, First Presbyterian collected \$1,328 with our share (\$498) being used to help support our annual Vacation Bible School/Camp (VBS) program. The money raised this year will also be used for our VBS program.

LEARN TO FACE PAINT: If you are interested in learning to face paint and volunteer to help at the OT Family Night on July 10th, there will be a class offered **Saturday, June 21st at 10:30 a.m.** Please let Sue Brackenbury know if you would like to attend or want more information.

ROCK THE BLOCK: Blue Water Habitat for Humanity will once again be “rocking the block” on **Saturday, June 28th**. The nonprofit's annual outdoor beautification project will cover four blocks near 11th and Division streets on the city’s South Side. Volunteers will be helping clean up yards and do minor outdoor repairs throughout the morning with lunch provided by First United Methodist Church. Sign up before Tuesday, May 27th with Team First Pres at the church office to be ensured a T-shirt!

DETROIT TIGERS BASEBALL GAME: Join us for a trip to Comerica Park on **Sunday, June 29th** for the Detroit Tigers vs. Minnesota Twins Game (game at 1:40 p.m.). Membership and Outreach is providing the bus, Christian Education is helping offset the cost of the tickets. The bus will be leaving the church at **11:15 a.m.** and will return in the early evening. Each ticket is \$20- please sign up as quickly as possible at the church office desk (limited number of tickets).

SAVE THE DATES:

June 8: Pentecost Special Offering

June 15: Beach Worship Begins: 8:00 a.m. (2900 Conger Street, Port Huron)

June 15: Father's Day Nail Sale: at both services

June 21: Learn to Face Paint 10:30 a.m.

June 28: Rock the Block: sign up by Tuesday, May 27th

June 29: Detroit Tigers Baseball Game: 1:40 p.m., transportation provided

July 9: Rotary International Day Parade: 6:30 p.m.

July 10: Operation Transformation Family Night: 5:00-9:00 p.m.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Mon./05-26: CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED- Memorial Day

Tue./05-27: Financial Counters 9:00 a.m.

Wed./05-28: Stitch and Chat 10:00 a.m.

Discipleship Class 6:00 p.m.

**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.*

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Nursery Attendant: Elizabeth Block
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**Our mission is KNOW the Love of God,
GROW in the Christian faith,
and GO share our faith in Jesus Christ.**