

# First Presbyterian Church

Ninth at Washington, Michigan City, Indiana

June 14, 2026

8:00 A.M. (Chapel)

10:00 A.M. (Sanctuary)

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



## THE WORSHIP OF OUR LORD

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*\* Indicates those who are able, please stand*

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## WE GATHER BEFORE GOD

† WELCOME – WORSHIP – CELEBRATE – SERVE †

PRELUDE: “Prelude on ‘Swanwick’”

*D. Eliot*

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP: (please join in unison)

One: Our gracious God has created us and called us his own.

**All: *Let us worship the triune God.***

One: Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, has redeemed our lives.

**All: *Let us worship the triune God.***

\*HYMN #40 “Joy to the World!” (pew hymnal)

## WE ARE RENEWED IN GOD’S GRACE

CALL TO CONFESSION: Spoken by liturgist

God calls us, again and again, to turn from all that separates us from the Divine and to return to God’s path. Let us, then, name the ways we have sinned in wandering from God, relying on God’s mercy to forgive and renew us.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (Please join in unison)

***Look deep, loving God, and see us as we really are. We are a people who prefer our will to your will. We focus on things of the self and give little thought or care to others. We wander through our days giving little thought to our own discipleship, let alone our call to help others become disciples. Forgive us, God of grace. Forgive us and set us again on the path of your righteousness. Amen.***

SILENCE IS KEPT

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Pastor: Hear the Good News! While it is true that we have sinned, it is a greater truth that in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Know you are forgiven and be at peace.

**All: *Amen.***

\*SINGING GOD’S GLORY: Gloria Patri “Glory to the Father” #567 (Please join in unison)

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen Amen Amen.***

\*SHARING THE PEACE OF GOD

Pastor: Since God has forgiven us in Christ,  
let us all forgive one another,  
and pass the peace of Christ to each other.  
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**All: *And also with you!***

*(Worshippers are invited to turn to their neighbors, offer the greeting “The peace of Christ be with you”, and one may respond with the words, “And also with you.” Worshippers may also share a handshake, hug or other expression of Christ’s peace.)*

# WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

NO CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: (please join in unison)

*Loving God, open our hearts and minds to what you would say to us this day. By your Spirit, we ask that you would speak, as we, your people, are listening. Amen.*

SCRIPTURE:

Psalm 100

GOSPEL READING:

Matthew 9:35-10:8

SERMON "Daring to Live the Joyful Good News of God's Kingdom"

Rev. Marcia Smith-Wood

Combined with Hymn #464 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

[Keep your hymnals open to #464 in order to sing this hymn verse by verse during the sermon, as cued by Rev. Marcia]

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (from The Study Catechism) please join in unison

One: How do you live for the love of God?

**All:** *I love because God first loved me. God loves me in Christ with a love that never ends. Amazed by grace, I no longer live for myself. I live for the Lord who died and rose again, triumphant over death, for my sake. Therefore, I take those around me to heart; especially those in particular need, knowing that Christ died for them no less than for me. Amen.*

EXPRESSING OUR GRATITUDE IN OUR OFFERING

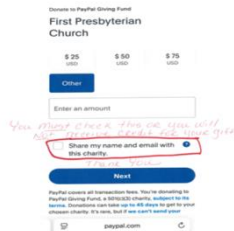
OFFERTORY: "Offertory on an Ancient Melody"

P. Tchaikovsky

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\*Doxology Song #592

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Lord's Prayer (together, using "debts")

\*HYMN: #220 "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" (pew hymnal)

## WE GO OUT IN GRATITUDE TO SERVE IN GOD'S NAME

### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE: "The Trumpet of the Morning"

*L. Smith*

### SHARE OUR PRAYERS WITH:

For each of us to share the Gospel with someone this week:

- Gerald Anderson, Sandy Dougherty, Stan Holdcraft, Johanna Miller, Barb Reichert, Margo Shank, Mary Steider, Donna Wiseman and Jerry Yacullo for health needs.
- For Kash and KC Williams as they grieve for the loss of their father, Jim Williams.
- For LaPorte County Deputy, Jon Samuelson as he continues to heal from gunshot wounds and as he starts his physical therapy.
- Pray for our Military and their families
- AmeriCorps and Peace Corps workers and their families

### GUESTS AND VISITORS

We are delighted to welcome you and worship with you today! **First time visitors**-we would love to connect with you. Please text "welcome" to 219-300-9867 and share your contact information with us.



The CHANCEL FLOWERS are given to the glory of God in honor of Pastor Ericka who will be celebrating her birthday tomorrow.

### SERVING TODAY

Ministers	All Members of the Congregation
Guest Preacher	Rev. Marcia Smith-Wood
Organist	Carol Garrett
Liturgist	Dave Hack
Greeter(s)	Kirk Rogers
Ushers	Debbie Langley
Video and Sound Team	Mark Smith and Antoinette Jackson



### MEMORIALS/DONATION

No donations were received this week.  
We are always thankful for your kindness.



## Wishing you Very Happy Day!

June 01	Pam Thornton	June 09	Stephanie Russell
June 02	Everly Luncsford	June 09	Jamie Williams
June 02	Becky Smith	June 10	Kelli Kelly
June 03	Kaila Gieser	June 11	Dawn Gieser
June 03	Conner Jackson	June 12	Gretchen Gallois
June 03	Scott Jackson	June 15	Pastor Ericka Kilbourne
June 04	Elena Peterson	June 25	Charlotte DeLeon
June 08	Jerry Jackson	June 25	Darold Gieser III
June 09	Janice Casper	June 29	Brian Bulger



**New Number?  
New Address?  
New Haircut?  
Let Us Know!**

### **UPDATED MEMBER INFORMATION REQUEST**

In order to keep our files current for the purpose of an internal directory, grant applications, a yearly statistical report, and better communication we are requesting you complete a form by clicking on this link:

<https://forms.gle/PTBUJCVmqQ97NSGq9>

This information will be used by the office only and will not be shared to the public.  
If you have questions, please contact the office.

Thank you,  
Pastor Ericka and Diane Yettaw, Administrative Assistant.

### **CHANCEL FLOWERS**

If you would like to sponsor the Chancel Flowers, which goes to the Children in Need fund, we currently have the following dates available July 5, July 27, August 16, 23 & 30, and October 4. If you have an “annual” date, that is reserved for you. The cost is \$35. Please contact the office to check if a date you are interested in is available. Thank you. Diane Yettaw, Administrative Assistant



### **EVENTS, DATES AND/OR TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. THIS LIST WILL BE UPDATED WEEKLY AS OF TODAY, THIS IS THE MOST RECENT INFORMATION AVAILABLE**

- ❖ June 14 Sunday Pastor off
- ❖ June 14 Sunday 8 a.m. Worship service with guest preacher
- ❖ June 14 Sunday 9 a.m. Adult Ed Class
- ❖ June 14 Sunday 10 a.m. Worship service with guest preacher
- ❖ June 14 Sunday Flag Dag
- ❖ June 15 Monday Pastor off
- ❖ June 16 Tuesday Diane office-volunteer will be in the office
- ❖ June 16 Tuesday 10 a.m. 3B
- ❖ June 17 Tuesday 11 a.m. WAM meeting
- ❖ June 17 Wednesday 12:30 p.m. Elisabeth Circle annual picnic in the EBL
- ❖ June 17 Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Session meeting
- ❖ June 18 Thursday 10 a.m. 3B
- ❖ June 19 Friday Juneteenth
- ❖ June 19 Friday Office closed Pastor by appointment
- ❖ June 20 Saturday 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Soup Kitchen
- ❖ June 21 Sunday Happy Father’s Day
- ❖ June 21 Sunday 8 a.m. Worship service with Pastor Ericka
- ❖ June 21 Sunday 9 a.m. Adult Ed Class with Pastor Ericka
- ❖ June 21 Sunday 10 a.m. Worship; service with Pastor Ericka
- ❖ June 21 Sunday during worship Man of the Year presentation
- ❖ June 21 Sunday after worship blood pressure screening
- ❖ June 21 Sunday First day of summer! ☀️
- ❖ June 22 Monday Office closed Juneteenth
- ❖ June 22 Monday Pastor off
- ❖ June 23 Tuesday 10 a.m. 3B
- ❖ June 25 Thursday 10 a.m. 3B
- ❖ June 25 Thursday 6 p.m. Bible study
- ❖ June 26 Friday Office closed Pastor by appointment
- ❖ June 27 Saturday 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Soup Kitchen

- ❖ June 28 Sunday 8 a.m. Worship service with Pastor Ericka
- ❖ June 28 Sunday 9 a.m. Adult Ed Class with Pastor Ericka
- ❖ June 28 Sunday 10 a.m. Worship; service with Pastor Ericka Noisy Offering
- ❖ June 29 Monday Pastor off
- ❖ June 30 Tuesday 10 a.m. 3B

## CHURCH CHAT

“Any or all information is subject to change without notification”

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



Are you looking for a fulfilling way to serve your church community? Would you find joy in keeping organized records of session minutes and congregational statistics? We are now in an active search for a new Clerk of Session. And if you choose to step up to the task, you have the great opportunity to learn from our most recent Clerk, Laura Kittle, and also Alice Yacullo, who served before her. You would not be alone! Please prayerfully consider serving the congregation in this way. If you have any questions, you can direct them to Pastor Ericka, Laura Kittle, or Alice Yacullo.

### ANNUAL BUILDING AND GROUNDS CLEANING & GROUNDS WORK

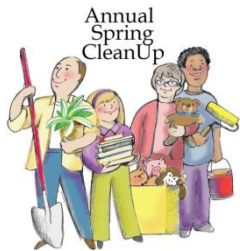
We have had a great start to our annual spring cleanup. Thank you to all who have helped in getting things done, but there are still tasks that need to be completed. Please use the link or QR code below for the online sign-up sheet.

There is also a paper copy on the door of the Edith Boyd Lounge.

Please consider helping. If you have questions, please see Amy or Alice.

Thank you. Amy McDaniel, Building & Grounds Chair

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0549A8A622A4FA7-63964402-2026>



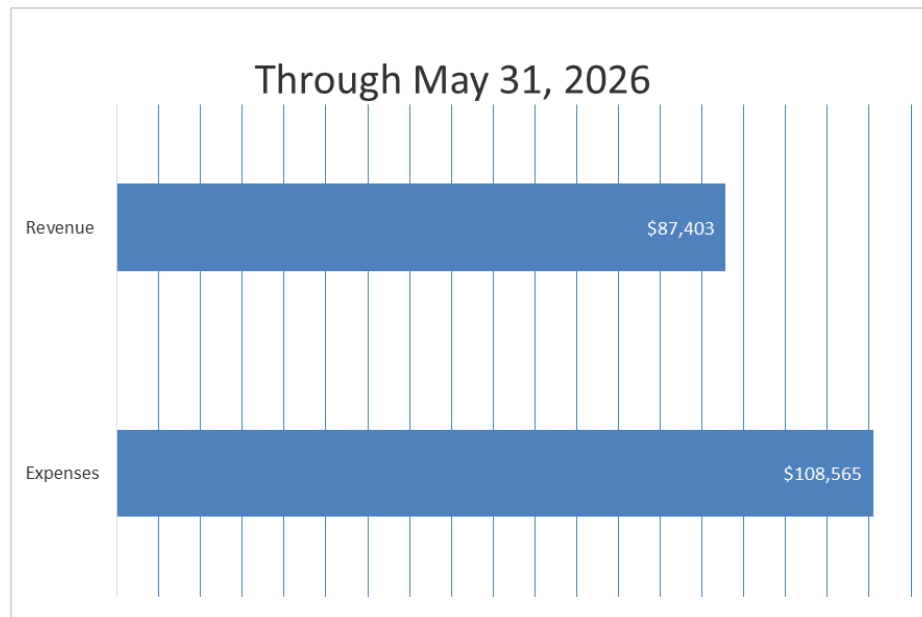
The Mission Committee will be offering free water to all participants in the Michigan City Patriotic Parade on Saturday June 27. Please consider donating a case of bottled water. We will also be recruiting volunteers to distribute water the day of the parade.

### SOUP KITCHEN NEEDS YOUR HELP

The crews who normally prepare and serve on the first Saturdays each month are unable to do so on July 4<sup>th</sup>. We realize it is a holiday but we would still like to furnish a meal for the guests of our soup kitchen.

We need five people to prep brown bag meals on Friday, July 3 at 10:00 a.m. We also will need one to three people to pass them out on Saturday on July 4 from 11:30 am until 12:15 pm or until the meals are gone. Please see Sue Ransom for more details and/or to volunteer. She can be reached at 219-608-6198. Thank you.

## FINANCE GRAPH



**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH, Michigan City**, invites children ages 4–11 (or just completed 5th grade) to join us at our Vacation Bible School program, *Tropical Trek*, **June 29–July 3, 8:30–11:30 a.m.**, at 1237 E. Coolspring Ave, Michigan City (*at the corner of Woodland & Coolspring Aves.*). Join us for a Tropical Trek where we will learn how Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10). As we traverse fun and exciting places, we'll learn that God is always there for us, finding us when we're having troubles, feeling lonely, lost, hopeless, or not good enough. We'll discover how God finds us and helps us in every challenge we face in life. **Pre-registration is recommended. You can register online at [immanuelmc.com](http://immanuelmc.com) or call the office at 219-872-4419. One form is needed for EACH child.**

**FREE CONCERT**  
**TO BENEFIT**  
**UKRAINE**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 14 4:00 PM**  
An Afternoon of Broadway with Dr. Warren Fremling, Baritone and Philip Orem, Piano

*Donations to our voluntary offering are warmly welcomed!*  
All proceeds will be utilized to support Last Bell Ministries

In Zhytomyr, Ukraine, Last Bell serves orphaned teens and young adults who've aged out of orphanages and foster homes. Your gifts provide practical assistance with education, housing, job skills, parenting, and more, plus long-term mentoring relationships and spiritual care.

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Parking is available behind the church

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