

Welcome and welcome back to you who have come to worship with us today! We feel that worship begins best with a prayerful spirit. Many members use the music before the service as a time for meditation and preparation. If conversation or greeting is desired or necessary, would you please keep in mind the spirit of prayerful preparation.

First Presbyterian Church 120 N. Front Street Marquette, Michigan 49855 Nicholas J. Cammarata, Pastor

"Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations"



First Presbyterian Church Marquette, MI

WELCOME!

We sincerely welcome all those visitors who are sharing in this time of worship this morning. May God's presence be real, meeting us at our point of need. Please stand and introduce yourself during our time to welcome visitors and friends; sign the visitor card located at either end of the pews, then place it in the offering plate or in the black mailbox outside of the church office. If we can be of assistance to you, please tell the Pastor, an usher, or any church member. Following worship, stay for *Coffee Hour* in the parlors directly behind the sanctuary. We look forward to seeing you again and often!

WE CARE ABOUT CHILDREN

Activity bags are available in the Narthex for children to use during worship. A Nursery for infants and children is provided on the first floor. An Usher will be pleased to direct you. Children under age 5 are welcome!

OUR INVITATION

If you are seeking a church home, we ask that you prayerfully consider joining this congregation. Please know that *YOU ARE WANTED!!* If you desire to do so, please speak with the Pastor following worship or call the church office at 226-6587 for an appointment.

OUR MISSION AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives. As a community of faith, we commit to know, grow and show Christ's love to all through worship, education, and service.



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Please reserve a place at the Congregational Thanksgiving Dinner,

Sunday, November 19, 2017, following worship.

	adults	
	children	
I will bring: (circle or	ne)	
Cold salad	Dessert	Cranberry sauce
	(no hot dishes please)	
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Name		Phone

A free will offering will be collected to cover the dinner expenses and any balance will go toward the renovation of the downstairs kitchen.

(Please place in the offering plate or turn in at the church office)

THE WEEK AHEAD...

Sunday, November 12 - 23rd Sunday after Pentecost Veterans Day Sunday

8:00 a.m. - Worship in the parlors -

Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata

9:00 p.m. - Sunday School Adult & Youth

10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary -

Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata

11:15 a.m. - Coffee Hour by Alice Harbin

11:30 a.m. - SE&A meets

11:30 a.m. - Christmas play practice

6:00 p.m. - Sr. High youth meets

6:00 p.m. - ACA

Monday, November 13

10:00 a.m. - Knitters and Wannabes

12:00 p.m. - Century Club

7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon

Tuesday, November 14

6:00 a.m. - Christian Ethic Study

7:00 a.m. - Men's Ministry

10:00 a.m. - Rachel Circle

6:00 p.m. - Session meeting

6:00 p.m. - ACA

7:00 p.m. - Marquette Male Chorus

Wednesday, November 15

11:00 a.m. - Staff meeting

5:00 p.m. - Building & Grounds meeting

5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Live - pack stockings

6:15 p.m. - Schola Choir

6:15 p.m. - Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, November 16

11:00 a.m. - Prayer Service

6:00 p.m. - Stephen's Ministry training

7:00 p.m. - GA & Gam-anon

Sunday, November 19 - 24th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. - Worship in the parlors -

Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata

9:00 p.m. - Sunday School Adult & Youth

10:00 a.m. - Worship/Sanctuary -

Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata

11:15 a.m. - Congregational Thanksgiving dinner in the Social Hall

11:30 a.m. - Christmas play practice

6:00 p.m. - Sr. High youth meets

6:00 p.m. - ACA

YOUR CHURCH STAFF:

Christian Education Director - Jenny Cammarata Campus Ministry Director - Faye Elder Music Director - Griffin Candey Organist - Anne Perket

Bell Choir Director - Dr. Andrew Poe

Lectionary Readings for: Sunday, November 19, 2017

Judges 4:1-7

Psalm 123

I Thess. 5:1-11

Matthew 25:14-30

November 5, 2017 Attendance:

8:00 a.m. - 12 10:00 a.m. - 136 Nursery - 9

The DEACONS suggest...

Breakfast items- Cereal, oatmeal, nuts, raisins, prunes, canned milk are the donation choice for the month of November for the Salvation Army. Non-perishable food items are always welcome. *Thank you* for your support! (Small toiletries from motel stays are also greatly appreciated.)

Pastor - Nicholas J. Cammarata

Office Manager - Wendy Maki Financial Secretary - David Kurtz Custodian - Karl Hemmila Nursery Facilitator - Amanda Fruehling

WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

November 12, 2017

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME TO VISITORS AND FRIENDS

ANNOUNCEMENTS Liturgist: Elizabeth Miller

PRELUDE "Theme From Finlandia" by Jean Sibelius, arr. Wallace Hornibrook

FPC Bell Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather to worship our God:

People: not only with those whose hearts overflow with joy, but with those who long to

offer their deepest sorrows.

Leader: We gather to follow Jesus:

People: not only with songs and prayers, but with lives of service and peace.

Leader: We gather to be filled with the Spirit's presence:

People: not only so we can wait patiently for the Bridegroom to come, but so we can be

with those who are impatient for justice and hope in their lives.

*HYMN #289

"God of Every Nation" LLANGLOFFAN

*OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

Lord, how many of us are burning the candle of our life on the shallow reservoir of knowing scripture but have never struck deeper? How many of us, Lord, are holding you at arm's length concerning the truth about our issues and yet priding ourselves upon our Christian faith? Save us from this folly. Bring us into that wonderful experience of finding a flame that can never be put out. In the name of Jesus we pray. AMEN.

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We gather to confess our failure to learn from past lessons—both individually and collectively as a people before God. Merciful God, forgive our deliberate acts of turning away from you and your ways; our apathy towards the truth of your involvement with humanity over countless generations, and our thoughtless acts of stubbornness in seeking to live to please our own selfish yet fleeting desires and ambitions. Make us aware of your presence with us each and every day so that we may recognize you at work in our lives and in the way you, in your wisdom, use people to fulfil your purposes. AMEN.
*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*HYMN OF PRAISE #579

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.

* Those who are able may stand.

PSALM Psalm 78:1-7

Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

People: I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,

Leader: things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

People: We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders

that he has done.

Leader: He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he

commanded our ancestors to teach to their children;

People: that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children,

Leader: so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God,

but keep his commandments; This is the word of the LORD.

People: Thanks be to God.

JOYS AND CONCERNS \sim If you have a prayer request, joy, or concern, please stand, say your name and speak directly into the microphone so all can hear you.

PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

*THE PEACE Please greet one another, within reach, saying, "Peace be with you."

(Children are invited to attend Way of the child downstairs)

ANTHEM "Be Thou My Vision" arr. Robert Hunter

ENGAGING THE TEXT OLD TESTAMENT READ!

OLD TESTAMENT READING (pew Bible, p. 537)

Psalm 78:1-8

NEW TESTAMENT READING (pew Bible, p. 28)

Matthew 25:1-13

SERMON "Entertaining Enlightenment" Rev. Nicholas J. Cammarata

*HYMN #390 "O Savior, in This Quiet Place" ST. STEPHEN

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR TITHES AND OFFERING (in unison)

You are witness, O God, to the work we do for the sake of Christ Jesus. To Your name all honor is due. Help us to raise the needs of others above those of our own and, thereby, be more faithful in our commitment and faith. Take the gifts that we bring, and enhance our endeavors. Make us ever bolder in our love for neighbors and use us to lead others to your truth. AMEN.

Please see **THE WEEK AHEAD**... or the online church calendar for Committee meeting times.

STEWARDSHIP

Please be sure to turn in your 2018 Stewardship pledge to Financial Secretary, Dave Kurtz. Thank you!

FROM MISSION SUPPORT

Donations for First Presbyterian Church Downstairs Kitchen Equipment Upgrades—*Garry Koehn* has graciously offered to match anyone who wishes to donate to the downstairs kitchen equipment upgrades for any amount up to \$1,000.00. Please mark your donations in a sealed envelope as "Church Kitchen Equipment Upgrade." Thank you!

The hurricanes and wildfires have destroyed homes, churches, businesses and roads, stranding thousands of people. Your gifts are urgently needed now to support the communities affected by these historic storms and deadly fires. Support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's emergency response and long-term recovery work in the areas affected. Designate gifts to DR000169-Harvey and/or DR000194-Irma and/or DR000194-Irma and/or DR000194-Irma and/or DR000165-US Wildfires (for California note it memo area) then place your gift in the offering plate or drop it off at the church office.

The *Per Capita for 2017* is \$38.00, please pay your per capita by December 31, 2017.

We need volunteers to operate the Sound Board on Sundays! Please sign-up on the clipboard located in the church office. If you are interested in learning how to operate the Sound Board equipment, contact the church office. Thank you.

Pick up the new 2017-18 Church Directory on the Main Hall table or the table in the Narthex

FROM MEMBERSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

We are collecting Holiday Bucks from Econo Foods to purchase food for our congregational Thanksgiving dinner **Sunday, November 19th**. Please consider donating your Holiday Bucks to the church and drop them off in the black mailbox in the hallway next to the church office. We will be collecting money at the dinner to pay for the expenses of the meal. Any money left after the meal expenses will be used towards the \$1000.00 matching gift donation from Mr. & Mrs. Garry Koehn for the renovation of the downstairs kitchen.

Make some coffee, bring some light snacks and juice for the kids, then enjoy the fellowship of your church family on a Sunday... sign-up for *Coffee Hour*! We need individuals or groups to host *Coffee Hour* through years end. Sign-up on the sheet by the kitchen door, in the parlors.

The artificial Christmas tree we used for the 'Giving Tree' in past years has been replaced with a pre-lit tree. If anyone wants the extra tree, a 7 1/2' Blue Spruce, for free, contact Barb Bennett at 906 399-6510 to see it and make arrangements for pick-up.



Hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for help. **A wheelchair** is also available in the Narthex for assistance in entering and exiting the church.

First Presbyterian Church welcomes: Pat Revello, who returned to our area and whose membership was reinstated by Session in September; and new members Mark and Kathryn Johnson who joined FPC by Letter of Transfer, approved by Session at their regular meeting in October.

The flowers in the Chancel this morning are given by Doris Brasure and family in memory of the Rev. Lloyd G. Brasure. Lloyd was an Army Chaplain during World War II. Gratitude & blessings to all Veterans and their families.

The *Knitters & Wannabes* meet *Mondays* in the parlors to knit, learn to knit and visit.

The Christian ethics study with Pastor Nick continues Tuesday, November 14th at 6:00 am.

The Men's Ministry Group meets Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:00 am.

Rachel Circle meets Tuesday, November 14th at 10:00 am in the church library. "In Community with the Living Word" lesson 3 will be the focus of conversation using scripture from Hebrews, Genesis, Ezekiel and John. The conversation will be facilitated by Chip O'Neill. Janet McKie will host the refreshments. Envelopes for the P.W. Thank Offering will be available. Since 1888 Presbyterian Women nationally have been making grants to creative ministries through the Thank Offering. We call this our "Second Mile Giving." Our first mile is giving to mission through our church pledge. This past year 15 projects were chosen, 10 in the US. The grants totaled \$382,500.00 and will serve people in need funding such ministries as health care.

Session meets Tuesday, November 14th at 6:00 pm in the church parlors.



Bring your last minute items and join us for *Wednesday Night Live...* November 15th. We will eat dinner at 5:30 pm and then begin packing the troop's stockings at 6:00 pm.

Bell Choir rehearsals are **Wednesdays**, at 6:15 pm in the Sanctuary. **Schola Choir** rehearsals are **Wednesdays**, at 6:15 pm in room A. **Chancel Choir** rehearsals are **Wednesdays** at 7:30 pm in the choir room.

A Prayer Service is in the Chancel on Thursdays at 11:00 am.

The *Stephen's Ministry* training class continues on Thursdays at 6 pm - 8 pm, at FPC. For more information, please contact Rev. Gary Stevens at <u>dedriverafter@wildblue.net</u>.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION ELDERS: class of '18: Duane Gooch, Shannon Levra, Sue Manson; '19: Faye Elder, Cathy Enright, Taylor Klipp, Andy Poe; '20: Greg Bambach, Bill Houghton, Pete Premeau, Paul Schloegel

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BOARD OF DEACONS: class of '18: Dan Barrington, Joe Boyle, Lou Ann Jaklin, Susan Payant; '19: Barb Gooch, Chad Larsen, John Levra, Beverly Tobin; '20 Sara Bednarek, Connie Kuzak, Mike Kuzak, David Payant.

OFFERTORY "The Navy Hymn"
OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY #592 (Old Hundredth)

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

arr. Michal Joseph

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF OUR VETERANS

(see names listed on the following pages)

PRAYER FOR VETERANS

*HYMN #564 "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

MATERNA

*INVITATION TO HOSPITALITY

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Fanfare on "America the Beautiful" arr. Matthew H. Corl

SERVING TODAY				
Leading Worship:	Rev. Nicholas Cammarata	Acolytes:	Youth Volunteers	
Music Director:	Griffin Candey	Greeters:	Joe & Margaret Boyle	
Organist:	Anne Perket	Ushers:	Frank & Mary Lee Oatley	
Liturgist:	Elizabeth Miller	Counters:	Barb Bennett, Cathy Enright	
Psalm Reader:	Katja Tuuri	Secure Building:	Barb Bennett	
Children's Message: Way of the Child:	Jenny Cammarata	Nursery:	Amanda Fruehling	

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Veteran's Day 2017

Cary Baldwin, USN John E. Baldwin, USMC Ned Baldwin, US Army Tom Baldwin, US Army Rev. Lloyd Brasure, Army Chaplain Douglas V. Brown, USN Lowell Carlson, USN Michael Cline, US Army Bruce Closser, US Army Mike Crothers, USN Dwight Eckler, USMC Sam Elder, USAF Leo (Mick) Enright, USAF Jesse Farkas, USMC Zane Brian Farnsworth, US Army Louis Feak Sr., USN Louis Feak Jr., USAF Andrew Gooch, USAF David Gooch, USAF Duane Gooch, USAF Rueben J. Griewe, US Army William Griewe, US Army Fred Harbin, USN Roger Harbin, US Army Karl Hemmila, US Army Earl R. Hilton, US Army Joe Holman III, US Army Bill Houghton, USAF Jim Jaklin, US Army Dennis Karuzan, USAF Thomas L. Knauss, USAF Glenn Kerns, USAF David Kurtz, US Army Harry (Jerry) LaJoice, USN William "Bill" Lasich, US Army Robert Makela, USN Albert R. Maki, USAF

Allen R. Maki, USAF

Veteran's Day 2017

William P. Maki, USAF & Coast Guard Alvin Makolin, US Army John McCombie, US Army John Edward McDonald, USMC Howard G. McKie, US Army Herman Myers, US Army Wilfred Myers, US Army Leland Miller, US Army Michael Nelsen, USN Allan F. Olson, US Army Jack Pellett, USAF John Robb, USN John Sallemi, USN Jim Schneider, US Army Tyler Schultz, USAF Stanley Sharp, US Army Donald R. Small, USN & ANG Kevin Small, US Army Kurt Small, US Army Mark Small, US Army Michael Small, USN Nathan Small, US Army Rev. Gary I. Steven, USN Robert Swanson, USMC Charles Swanson, USN Kevin Tanghe, USN William Tanghe, US Army Stanley Todish, US Army Frank Tramp, USAF John "Jack" Truitt, US Army Carmine Vara, USAF Dennis Vertanen, USAF Ed Witsmeer, USN Jim Witsmeer, USN Niron L. Virch, US Army Bob Zwart, USN Jack Zwart, USN