

ORDER OF SERVICE
9th Sunday after Pentecost
July 22, 2018

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Announcements & Affirmation of Community

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: Come into the presence of the Most High God with songs of praise and shouts of thanksgiving.

People: For our Savior frees us from slavery; our Savior heals our diseases; our Savior is our peace.

Leader: You are a holy temple in the Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Come; let us worship God.

***Hymn** "Great is Thy Faithfulness" Red# 39

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, your steadfast love endures forever. We confess that we act as if we are in control as if you will bless whatever we do. If we think of others at all, it is with an eye toward their usefulness to us. If we consider your creation, it is to ponder what benefits us. We have failed to show your love or to do your justice in obedience to you. We have no right to be called your children. Have mercy on us, God of grace. Lord, have mercy. Forgive our sins, we humbly pray. Put the mind of Christ within us, O God, so that our lives take the form of a cross. Use us to break down walls of hostility within the church, among the world. Equip us to do your will, giving you glory, honor, and praise together with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen. (silent prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri** (#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.

***Sharing the peace of Christ**

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 7:1-14a pg. 281

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "Hold Thou My Hand" C.S. Briggs

Second Scripture Reading Ephesians 2:11-22 pgs. 192-193

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Strangers, Aliens, and a Dividing Wall"
Rev. Dr. Timothy J. Luoma

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn** "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" Red # 761

Offertory Invitation

Offertory "Going Home"
African American Spiritual

***Doxology**

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.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

***Hymn** "The Church of Christ in Every Age"

Red#320

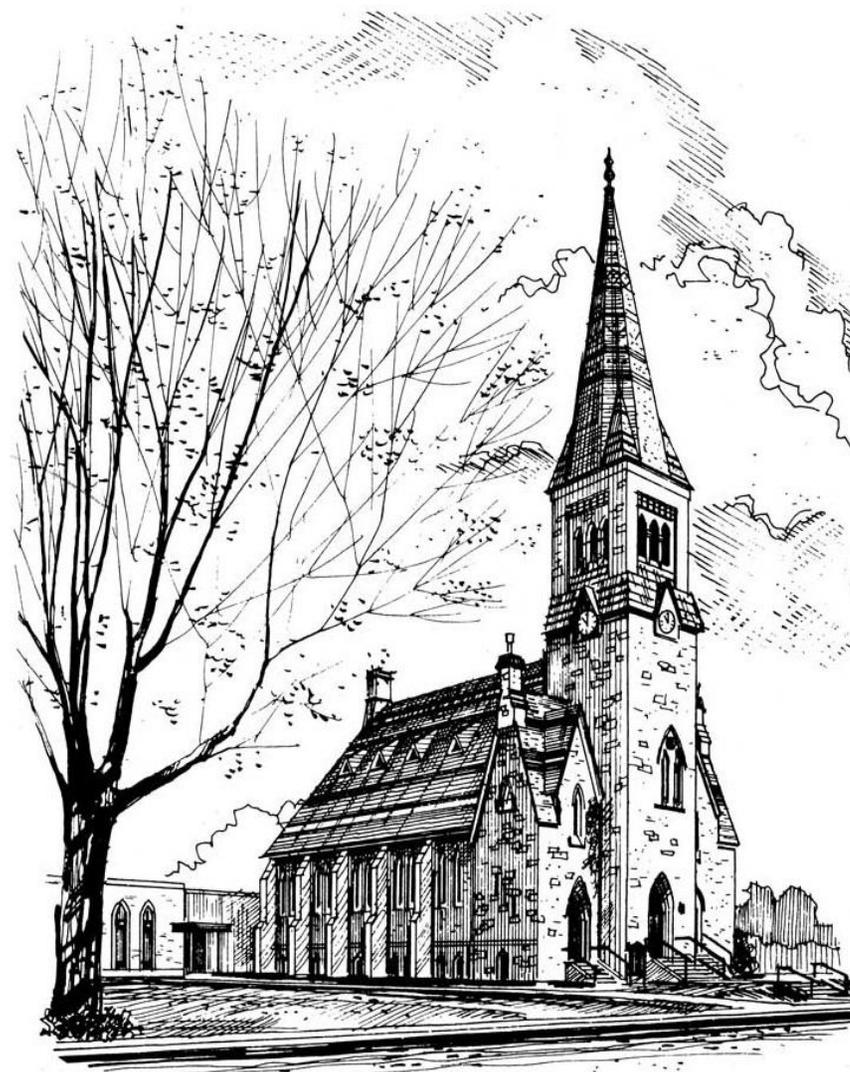
***Benediction**

Postlude

All are asked to remain seated during the postlude

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Dr. Timothy J. Luoma
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Janet Booth
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Worship Leaders for July-August

July 29- Carla Hausrath

August 5- Matt Burgin

August 12-Janora Stone

August 19-Ethan Luoma

August 26-Terri Mahoney

Church Office Hours:

Monday, 1:00-4:00 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday 9:00-4:00 pm,

Thursday 9:00-2:00 pm

Wednesday: 5:30 pm Finance Committee meeting.

Thursday: 9:30 departing time-Off to the Races Trip - Saratoga

MISSION STATEMENT

To

Worship Christ

Teach Faith

And

Practice Love

Child care is available during the service – please talk with an usher if you need directions.

If you are visiting, please feel welcome to come to Fellowship Hall, following the service.

PRAYER FAMILIES FOR THE WEEK July 22, 2018

Bruce Morrow

Jack and Peg Myers

Cynthia Newgarden

Jack and Lyn Mulholland

PRAYER CONCERNS

John Mazur

Chuck Stacy

Kenneth and Barbara Burdo

Leona Woodbridge

Debbie Beatty (Tracey Luoma's mother)

Edna Webster

Brent Deshaies

This Sunday we thank:

GREETERS: John Sommers and Janet Young

USHERS: Becky and Jim Amorelli

WORSHIP LEADER: Luke Moore

HOSTS AND HOSTESS: Amy and John Sorrell

SOLOIST: Cathie Davenport



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The Malawi Panti Plus Project will meet at the home of Sue Minnie, 23 Newell Ave., **Tuesday August 14th at 12:30 P.M.** All supplies including a sewing machine will be provided. If you have already selected fabric for this project please bring it with you. Call Joy Mazur 518-561-3875 with questions concerning this meeting.

Montreal Day Trip is scheduled for August 22. The individuals that have expressed interest and signed up for the Montreal Day Trip please contact Cindy Allen and provide her with your contact information (phone number/e-mail). There are still available spots left for the trip. The plan is to rent a vehicle thru Enterprise Rent a Car and have a gracious volunteer to drive who is familiar with Montreal! **You must have a passport or enhanced driver's license to cross the border.**



Heart Lake Camping August 12- 14.

A camp site and two Lean-tos have been reserved. The maximum capacity for overnight camping will be 15 people. However, everyone is invited to join the group during the day and participate in fun activities, where canoes and kayaks are available for use. There is parking at the ADK Loj, Please contact Cindy at 561-3140, dead line for sign up is July 29th. We hope you will join us!

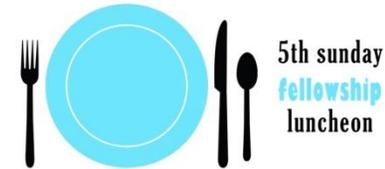
Fall Trips tentatively planned- Great Escape, Babbie Farm, and Adirondack Museum.

Bottle Drive

We need bottles! Please make sure they are rinsed and bags are labeled with the number of bottles counted. Bottles may be placed in the blue containers in the storage room in Fellowship Hall as well in Cindy's office.

SUBSTITUE SEXTON STILL NEEDED....

The personnel committee is looking for a substitute Sexton to be a back-up. This is a paid position. If you are interested in working on a Sunday morning every once in a while please contact our Pastor or Terri Mahoney, Chair of personnel. 518-593-1431 or Rossmom211@aol.com



Next Sunday, July 29th please join us for a Pot-Luck Luncheon following the worship service, in lieu of coffee hour. All are welcome! The pot-luck luncheon is a wonderful time to visit with friends and make new ones! For questions you may have, please call Linda Voss at 518-563-3057 or Karen Merrill at 518-563-3285

June 2018 Giving Statements available

Giving statements reflecting individual/family contributions through June 30th are available on the table in the back of the church. Please pick yours up and review it for accuracy. If there are any concerns, leave a message via e-mail or phone with the church office and the team that records and deposits the contributions will look into the concern and get back to you. Statements that are not picked up by the end of the month will be mailed.



There are open dates in August & September for you to **sign-up to host coffee hour!** This is a wonderful opportunity to have fellowship time with that friend you haven't seen in a while or make a new friend. We have many coffee hour helpers who are happy to help make the coffee and provide assistance as needed. Everything is provided; you just need to bring one quart of half and half with you that day! Please sign -up on the clipboard in Fellowship Hall or the church office at 518-561-3140 or email at office@presbyplatt.org. Thank you to everyone who hosts coffee hour!