

Sunday Morning Worship

September 27, 2026 9:00 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. If you are visiting with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor following the service.

*Congregation standing for those who are able

The Words of Welcome and Announcements

Our Approach to God

Prelude Andante Stanford

The Call to Worship

We come before the God of all creation.

Humbly acknowledging what God has done for us.

We too frequently complain.

When our needs and wishes are not met.

Through this worship may we cleanse our hearts.

And give fitting praise and thanks to our God.

*The Hymn of Praise Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 356

*The Call to Confession

God’s word tells us that God is righteous, good, and full of steadfast love. He saves us from our sins and leads us in the right way. With this assurance, let us confess our sin before God.

*The Prayer of Confession

O God you have exalted Jesus above all creation because of his humble self-sacrifice on our behalf. We acknowledge that we have not always followed his example. We have at times acted from selfish ambition in our careers, our neighborhoods, and our church. We have at times acted from conceit to put others down, to artificially extol ourselves, to gain attention, or to win favor. We have at times regarded ourselves as better than those less educated, less wealthy, less influential, less attractive, or less athletic. Teach us humility and

help us to look to the interests of others first so we may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen

*The Assurance of Pardon

People of God, in Christ we are forgiven, redeemed, and made to be a community united in faith. All of us, together, have received God’s mercy in Christ.

Thanks be to God.

*The 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.

The Word of God

The 1st Scripture Lesson Matthew 21: 23-32 page 1406

The 2nd Scripture Lesson Philippians 2: 1-13 page 1672

The Sermon “Life Is a Team Sport” Rev. Glen Grant

Our Response to Serve

*The Affirmation of Faith The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional) page 14

*The Hymn O God, in a Mysterious Way 270

The Morning Prayers and the Lord’s Prayer (using sins)

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.



Announcements & Upcoming Events

How can you help serve on Sunday, October 4th? Sign up to be an Usher.. Please see the sign-up sheets on the table in the gathering area near the sanctuary doors.

World Communion Sunday

Next Sunday, October 4, communion will be celebrated during the worship service. We hold an open communion at Second Presbyterian Church which means all believing Christians are welcome to participate.



We also invite you to bring non-perishable food items for **The Ecumenical Food Pantry at First Presbyterian Church**. We do so knowing that it is our privilege to feed the hungry and care for the poor as we are fed and sustained by the grace of God!

Thank You so much to everyone for their thoughts, prayers, cards and visits. The love and support from our church family is a great comfort to us!
Don and Sally Day.



Second Presbyterian Church will be hosting a Trunk or Treat for the community Sunday, October 25th, 2026 from 11am-1pm. The Christian Education committee will help you come up with ideas to decorate your car. Each car will pass out candy and will have a game for the kids to participate in. Refreshments will be served. We hope to make this a fun annual event. A sign-up sheet is on the table in the gathering area. Candy donations will also be needed.



Congratulations to Deanna and Mike Patton's 50th Anniversary! Flowers on the altar are to celebrate this milestone.

Don't forget **SERRV** merchandise in the first classroom off the Sunday School hallway-all at 50% off. Plans to have SERRV tables out at the Fish Fry are also in the works, and special sales will be done around the upcoming holidays. Watch your future bulletins.



Rescue Mission Lunches

Saturday October 3rd, please join us in the church kitchen to assemble bag lunches. We meet at 9:30 a.m. in the church kitchen to visit and share in the work of making lunches for those struggling with hunger. Many hands make light work. Next month's day to assemble lunches will be Saturday, October 31st at 9:30 a.m.

Florence Gilmour will meet Wednesday October 7th at 9:30 a.m.

September Mission Project



For September, the mission focus will be "It's All About the Cross," the ministry serving the Saginaw County Jail. Books must be soft cover, and with a positive theme, inspirational/self-help books, or literature encouraging inmates to grow

in their faith. They may also accept puzzle books or magazines, such as crosswords or word-searches. **They are unable to accept hard cover books, books with stapled bindings, or books with themes of romance, crime/thriller, or violent themes including those about war.** If you are not able to donate books, but would like to contribute, consider a donation to the Mission Committee as we will also be donating bibles to the ministry to help in their outreach to those in jail. Please mark your donation "Prison Ministry Bibles".



Fish Fry – Save the Date!

Our Fish Fry is fast approaching on **Friday, October 16, 2026!**

We will need plenty of help to make this fish fry a success. It really is a fun event! Please let one of the following individuals know if you are willing to

help: Paul DeWyse, Adam Engel or Alan Poplewski. Sign up sheets will be in the gathering area.

Presbyterian Women will have a Bake Sale at the Fish Fry on Friday, October 16th. Sign up sheet will be in the gathering room. Please bring your Baked Goods by 3:00 p.m. the day of the sale. We help the Missions.



As the days are getting shorter and the temperatures cooler, please keep in mind the annual winter-wear mission for school children. Coats, boots, hats, mittens and snow pants and the like are collected and donated to local school children. Our goal is to deliver sometime around the first week of November. Keep your eyes open at those final yard sales and while shopping.

Office Hours: , please email any regular business to secretary@spcsaginaw.org. Emails are checked regularly. Your grace and patience is extremely appreciated during this time