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SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER  
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WHATS NEW?

PNC News:

The Nominating Committee has found 7 candidates willing to

serve on the Pastor Nominating Committee comprised of the following members:

Ed Hak	Fred Herter
Matt Robertson	Sara Hyde
Linda Mattson	Samanatha Engel
Hugh Matson	

- The SPC Session has called a Special Congregational Meeting to be held Oct 12 following worship for the purpose of approving these nominations . The meeting will be officiated by Pastor Ted McCulloch .
- The office will be closed October 1-8. Sonia Hoepfner, church secretary, is on vacation.
- World Communion Sunday:



Next Sunday, October 5, is World Communion Sunday.

Communion will be celebrated during the worship service. We also invite you to bring non-perishable food items for The Ecumenical Food Pantry at First Presbyterian Church.

- Rescue Mission Lunches: Saturday, October 4, join us in the church kitchen to assemble bag lunches for the Saginaw Rescue Mission. We will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the church kitchen
- It is time to nominate Elders for the SPC Session. The nominating form is included, and can be mailed or placed in the offering plate. The deadline for nominations is Sunday October 26.
- Busy Hands and Hearts will meet Monday, October 6 @ 1:00 p.m. You do not have to sew or knit to join in. If you have any questions, please call Pam Moran @ 989-792-7388.

Lectionary for October

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – October 5

Lamentations 1:1-6 and Lamentations 3:19-26 or Psalm 137  
Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 and Psalm 37:1-9; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – October 12

Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 and Psalm 66:1-12; 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c and Psalm 111  
2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – October 19

Jeremiah 31:27-34 and Psalm 119:97-104  
Genesis 32:22-31 and Psalm 121; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – October 26

Joel 2:23-32 and Psalm 65; Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 and Psalm 84:1-7;  
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

2025 Ruling Elders

Administration

Andrea Drapp  
Samantha Engel  
Tammi Sova

Christian Education

Laura Bosley  
Christy Higley  
Heather Rousseau

Finance & Budget

Brian McNalley  
Karen Kalina  
Mike Patton

Stewardship & Mission

Kitty Myers  
Linda Mattson

Worship & Music

Cheryl Kelley  
Chuck Kemerer  
Deb Easlick

Staff

Director of Christian Education

Marsha Bennett

Financial Secretary

Adam Engel

Maintenance Supervisor

Doug Engel

Director of Music Ministry

Thomas Heidenreich

Secretary

Sonia Hoepfner

Office Assistant

Carol Poole

Maintenance Custodians

Gannon Sova  
Isaiah Sova



**From the Desk of Marsha Bennett  
Christian Education Director**

Greetings, I hope you all are well.

Just a reminder, there is Sunday school every Sunday for all kids through middle school. There will be two classes. One for our younger children and one for the older children. If you have not filled out your child's Sunday school registration form, see me to get the form. For security reasons, please come to the classroom to pick up your child after service. If you are interested in teaching, please reach out to me. We do need two teachers every week. If you love kids, sign up to help with our classes!

The kid's connection, the newsletter for the children, is sent out separately to your children, I ask that you read it with them or have them read it as there is information especially for them!

If you have signed up to teach, your lesson is printed for you labeled with your name and date. You can find them in the Sunday school hallway, in the "teachers' corner".

Now that my children are back in the classroom, my hours will be Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday 10-1 and Sunday mornings. If you need anything from me, please reach out.

**2nd @ Second News:**

2nd@Second, our adult Sunday School program, meets after worship on most Sundays around 10:15 a.m. We invite any & all members of the congregation to come to the library & join in learning & discussion. You can join the conversation or just listen. We all learn much more if people are there to share their thoughts, ideas, experiences & opinions. Our sessions generally last about an hour. Our current program is Presbyterian Women's **What My Grandmothers Taught Me** – Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus – By Merryll Blair. We will start October with Lesson 2, the first of the 5 women studied, Tamar.



Second Presbyterian Church 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat for the community is scheduled for **Sunday, October 26, 2025**. Please consider participating as we will need a minimum of 20 cars to make the event worthwhile. 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. A sign-up sheet is on the table outside of the Sanctuary. Candy donations will also be needed.

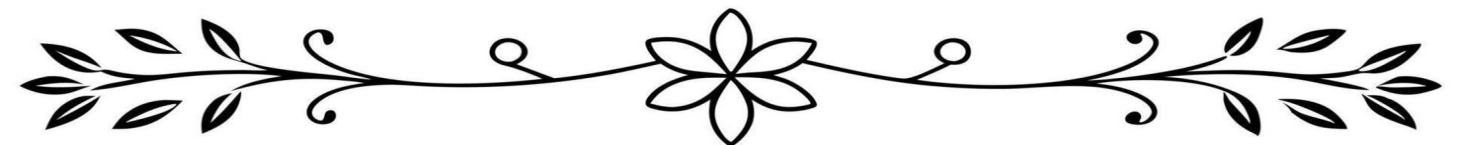


**Florence Gilmore Circle:**

All women of the church are invited to join us on **Wednesday, October 8**, at 9:30 a.m. as we continue to study "12 Women of the Bible" focusing on Mary of Bethany, while enjoying some treats and fellowship. If you have any questions, please call Carol Poole @ 989-793-7485.

**Bake Sale:**

We will have a bake sale during the fish fry on Friday, October 17. We will need donations of baked goods to sell (plated and ready), and volunteers to set-up, price, sell the items donated, and clean up after the sale. There are sign-up sheets for the bake sale in the gathering area. If you have any questions, please call Carol Poole @ 989-793-7485. All proceeds from the bake sale go to Florence Gilmore Circle (Second Presbyterian Women's group) which provides funding for the Rescue Mission lunches, along with donations to many charitable organizations.



**Fish Fry:**

Our Fish Fry is fast approaching on **Friday, October 17, 2025!** Please consider distributing the enclosed flyer to a friend or business and sharing our event on Facebook!

We will need plenty of help to make this fish fry a success. It really is a fun event! Sign-up sheets are in the gathering area. Proceeds from the sale go to the Presbyterian Men's Group, which pays for many of the maintenance jobs around the church.



Please let one of the following individuals know if you are willing the help:

Paul DeWyse	(989) 284-7975	pdewyse@aol.com
Adam Engel	(989) 781-1218	schmiel42@aol.com
Alan Poplewski	(989) 928-7957	alanpoplewski@hotmail.com

Thank you for your support!



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### Peace & Global Witness –

The Peace and Global Witness Offering will be received in worship on World Communion Day, Sunday, October 5th. Each congregation retains 25% of the Offering it receives to use for local peacemaking within the church

and its community. 25% is used by presbyteries and synods, and 50% is used by the General Assembly ministries for Presbyterian Peacemaking Programs.



**The October mission focus** is stockings for the "I Support the 1%" Veterans organization. Stockings will be available by Sunday, Oct. 12, along with a list of suggested items. They will be due back by Nov.9. All of the donated stockings stay withing the area community. Updates will be in the Sunday bulletins and weekly email.

**The READ Association of Saginaw County** Director Samantha Engel will tell us about the program during the Mission Moment on Sunday, October 12. They have both mentoring & tutoring opportunities. If you are interested or have any questions about either program, ask Samantha, or call the READ office, 989-755-8402 or email [sengel@READsaginaw.org](mailto:sengel@READsaginaw.org) . There are MANY children in our schools in need of help, & it can be a very rewarding engagement for the tutor as well!



# SPC October 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Office Closed  Bells – 6p.m. Chancel – 7pm	<b>2</b> Office Closed	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  Rescue Mission Lunches 9:00 a.m.
<b>5</b>  9:00 a.m. Worship World Communion Sunday School 2nd @ Second	<b>6</b> Office Closed  Busy Hands & Hearts 1 p.m.	<b>7</b> Office Closed	<b>8</b> Office Closed Florence Gilmore Circle 9:30 a.m.  Bells – 6p.m. Chancel – 7pm	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship <b>Special</b> <b>Congregational</b> <b>Meeting</b> Sunday School 2nd @ Second	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>  Bells – 6p.m. Chancel – 7pm	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>   Fish Fry 4:30 – 6:30	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>  9:00 a.m. Worship Sunday School 2nd @ Second	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 	<b>22</b>  Bells – 6p.m. Chancel – 7pm	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>  9:00 a.m. Worship Sunday School <b>Trunk or Treat</b> <b>11a.m.</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>  Session 7 p.m.	<b>29</b>  Bells – 6p.m. Chancel – 7pm	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> 	



# SECOND PRESBYTERIAN FISH FRY



COME FOR THE FISH, STAY FOR THE FELLOWSHIP!

All-You-Can-Eat Meal Includes:

Fried Alaskan Pollock, Potatoes, Coleslaw, Bread, and Dessert



**SECOND PRESBYTERIAN  
FRIDAY, OCT. 17, 2025**

**4:30 - 6:30 PM**

**Dine-in or Take-out**

**\$15**

Cash, please.



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