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Lectionary for May

May 3 Fifth Sunday of Easter:

Acts 7:55–60
Psalm 31:1–5, 15–16
1 Peter 2:2–10
John 14:1–14

May 10 Sixth Sunday of Easter:

Acts 17:22–31
Psalm 66:8–20
1 Peter 3:13–22
John 14:15–21

May 14 Ascension of the Lord:

Acts 1:1–11
Psalm 47 or Psalm 93
Ephesians 1:15–23
Luke 24:44–53

May 17 Seventh Sunday of Easter:

Acts 1:6–14
Psalm 68:1–10, 32–35
1 Peter 4:12–14; 5:6–11
John 17:1–11

May 24 Day of Pentecost:

Acts 2:1–21 or Numbers 11:24–30
Psalm 104:24–34, 35b
1 Corinthians 12:3b–13
Acts 2:1–21
John 20:19–23 or John 7:37–39

May 31 Trinity Sunday:

Genesis 1:1–2:4a
Psalm 8 2
Corinthians 13:11–13
Matthew 28:16–20



On Pentecost Wear Red!

We hope that you will wear red when you come to worship **Sunday, May 24**. It is the day we celebrate the giving of the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Red symbolizes the “tongues of fire” that were seen that day. We will also receive

Communion on Pentecost Sunday. On Communion Sundays, we invite you to bring non-perishable food items and personal care items to donate to 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.

Church Doors

On Sundays, the church doors will be open at 8:30 a.m.

Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) Update

On February 25, 2026, we published our Ministry Discernment Profile on the Church Leadership Connection website. The profile outlines our church’s mission, vision, and the qualities and qualifications we are seeking in a new pastoral candidate.

Since the profile’s publication, we have received over forty candidate matches. We have carefully reviewed each candidate’s profile to identify those who align well with our church’s needs. Based on our review, some candidates were set aside, while others were invited to participate in the interview process. As of today, we have not yet conducted interviews with any candidates. However, we remain hopeful that the right fit will become evident soon.

Office Hours: The Administration Committee has a solution to staff the church office with an Interim Office Coordinator, Sharen Wiktorowski. We are working over the next several weeks to bring her onboard. In the meantime, please email any regular business to secretary@spcsaginaw.org or leave a message on the church voicemail. Emails and voicemails are checked regularly. Your grace and patience is extremely appreciated during this time. If you have questions please contact one of the Administration Committee members: Andrea Drapp, Samantha Engel, or Tammi Sova.

2026 Ruling Elders

Administration

Samantha Engel
Tammi Sova
Andrea Drapp

Christian Education

Christy Higley
Heather Rousseau
Genie Herter

Finance & Budget

Karen Kalina
Mike Patton
Mary Smith

Stewardship & Mission

Billie Bauer
Linda Mattson
Kitty Myers

Worship & Music

Chuck Kemerer
Deb Easlick
Adam Engel

Staff

Interim Office

Coordinator

Sharen Wiktorowski

Financial Secretary

Adam Engel

Maintenance Supervisor

Doug Engel

Director of Music

Thomas Heidenreich

Office Assistant

Carol Poole

Custodians

Gannon Sova
Isaiah Sova

Christian Education



Sunday School
The final day of Sunday School will be Sunday, May 17th. We are so thankful for our students and staff who have

made this another successful year!

Graduation/Scholarships!

On Sunday, May 10th we will be celebrating Gannon Sova's graduation. Please plan to stay for Fellowship Hour for a special treat and congratulate Gannon on his accomplishments! The Muriel Lakey and Mary Ann Geiersbach scholarship will be awarded that same day.

Worship & Music

May Pulpit Supply Schedule

The pulpit supply for May is below. Please note, this is a tentative schedule, which means changes could be necessary from time to time.

Sunday, May 3	Rev. Michael Hahn
Sunday, May 10	Connor Rousseau
Sunday, May 17	Rev. Michael Hahn
Sunday, May 24	Rev. Ted McCulloch
Sunday, May 31	Peggy Donaldson

75 Year Members!

On Pentecost we typically honor our 50-year members. This year we do not have any new 50-year members. However, we have something very special! We have our first ever 75-year members! On March 23, 1951, Carol R. Clark and Pat Shepherd joined this congregation. We certainly give thanks and prayers for their dedication to Christ and this congregation for 75 years!

Serving on Sundays

There is always a need for Greeters, Liturgists, Ushers, and Fellowship Hour Hosts. Please check the sign-up table in the Gathering Area. Thank you!

Special Music

Would you like to help lead in worship this summer while the choir is on break? Singers and instrumentalists are needed to help with the special music. If you would like to play or sing during worship please speak with Thomas Heidenreich. Thomas can accompany and help find music if you are interested. He can also be contacted at music@spcsaginaw.org

Presbyterian women



The Florence Gilmour Circle will meet at Sullivan's on May 13th at 9:30 am. Please call Carol Poole to let her know if you are coming so she can make reservations.

Session Highlights

Here are some of the subjects that were discussed at the March Session Meeting.

- Scholarships will be awarded in May.
- The Christian Education Committee is working to coordinate activities with our youth and those in other churches.
- \$300 has been awarded to each of the following: East Side Soup Kitchen, Hidden Harvest, Old Town Soup Kitchen, and World Central Kitchen.
- Several arrangements were made for the opening and closing of the church.
- The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is working to match possible ministers to our church.

JoAnn Hunt, Clerk of Session



Our thoughts and prayers remain with the family of Sally Tinney who passed away on Friday, April 2, 2026.



Missions

MANY THANKS to our caring congregation for your unwavering support throughout March for the **Old Town Baby Pantry**.



Donations totaled 185 items, including knitted caps, sweaters, toys, blankets, quilts, diapers, wipes, breast pump with accessories, girls' and boys' outfits, onesies, burping cloths, bibs, sleepers, and winter wear. Your donations contribute greatly toward a good start for the babies and their families served by the Baby Pantry.



From the April 19th Kick-Off through May 17th, contributions will be received for The **Presbyterian Giving Catalog** Mission, specifically toward providing a "Family Farm Bundle." The goal is \$1,300 and envelopes are in the pews for your contribution. You may also place a check in the offering place and note "Presbyterian Giving Catalog." Any questions should be directed to Kitty Myers.

Serrv Update

The SERRV tables have been moved to the new "SERRV Room" in the Sunday School Hallway (first room on the left off the Gathering Area). This room will be set up for you to shop in May and until after the October Fish Fry. Please track down any Mission Committee member (Billie, Barbara, Linda, Kitty) to do so or with questions.

Thank you for all you do in helping our mission projects all year long!!



Rescue Mission Lunches

Saturday, May 2, please 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 (please enter from parking lot through Fellowship Hall door) to visit and share in the work of making sandwiches and lunches for those struggling with hunger.

Lawn Mowing

Thanks to all who have signed up to mow the lawn during 2026! The schedule has been distributed. If you are unable to mow on your designated week please contact Doug Engel or an alternate mower.

Next Newsletter

The deadline for the June/July Newsletter is Wednesday, May 20th. Please submit all articles to secretary@spcsaginaw.org no later than the deadline. We appreciate your help.

Adopt an Island!

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY to make a difference at Second Presbyterian Church? If so, you may be interested in adopting an island!

We are looking for four to five individuals, families, or groups of friends to help maintain the island and curb areas of the parking lot which are not already spoken for. This would entail being responsible for one of the islands or curb/gutter areas of the lot, keeping the gutters and stones free of weeds, leaves, maple helicopters, and the like. Dividing the responsibility among us divides the time and effort, allowing each individual or group to work at times convenient to them and at their own pace (while getting a little exercise and enjoying the outdoors).

Billie Bauer is the contact person for this endeavor; please call her for more information and to sign up.

Thank you! (and thanks to those who have helped the past two years!)

May 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 9:00 am Rescue Mission Lunches
3 Worship Sunday School	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Worship Sunday School Graduation Scholarships	11	12	13 9:30 am Florence Gilmore Circle @ Sullivan's	14	15	16
17 Worship Sunday School	18	19	20 June/July Newsletter Article Deadline	21	22	23
24 Worship Communion 75-Year Members Baptism Pentecost	25 Memorial Day	26 7:00 pm Session	27	28	29	30
31 Worship	<p><i>If you have bulletin or newsletter submissions please email them to secretary@spcsaginaw.org as soon as possible.</i></p> <p><i>Worship with us Sundays at 9:00 am!</i></p>					