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## Second Presbyterian Church Newsletter June & July 2024



Invite a Neighbor to Church

Seeking and Serving Christ, We are a Place for Growing Christians.

### Lectionary for June

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – June 2:** 1 Samuel 3:1-10(11-20) *and* Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18;  
**Complementary:** Deuteronomy 5:12-15: *and* Psalm 81:1-10; Corinthians 4:5-12; Mark 2:20-35  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – June 9:** 1 Samuel 8:4-11 (12-15), 16-20 (11:14-15); Psalm 138;  
**Complementary:** Genesis 3:8-15 *and* Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – June 16:** 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 *and* Psalm 20;  
**Complementary:** Ezekiel 17:22-24 *and* Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10(11-13), 14-17;  
Mark 4:26-34  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – June 23:** 1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49 *and* Psalm 9:9-20; *or* 1  
Samuel 17:57-18:5, 10-16 *and* Psalm 133; **Complementary:** Job 38:1-11 *and* Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32;  
2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41  
**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – June 30:** 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 *and* Psalm 130; **Complementary:**  
Lamentations 3:22-33 *and* Psalm 30; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

### Lectionary for July

**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – July 7:** 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 *and* Psalm 48; **Complementary:**  
Ezekiel 2:1-5 *and* Psalm 123; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13  
**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – July 14:** 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19, *and* Psalm 24; **Complementary:**  
Amos 7:7-15 *and* Psalm 85:8-13; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29  
**9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – July 21:** 2 Samuel 7:1-14a *and* Psalm 89:20-37; **Complementary:**  
Jeremiah 23:1-6; *and* Psalm 23; Ephesians 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56  
**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – July 28:** 2 Samuel 11:1-15 *and* Psalm 14; **Complementary:** 2 Kings  
4:42-44 *and* Psalm 145:10-18; Ephesians 3:14-21; John 6:1-21



### Rescue Mission Lunches

Saturday, **June 1**, please join us in the church kitchen to assemble bag lunches for the Saginaw Rescue Mission. We will meet at 9:30 a.m. in the church kitchen to visit and share in the work of making sandwiches and lunches for those struggling with hunger. Many hands make light work! Next month's day to assemble lunches will be **Saturday, July 6**.



### Homebound Communion Service

If you are homebound and unable to come to church when communion is celebrated, arrangements can be made for you to be served communion at your home or the facility where you live. If you would like to be included on this list, please call the church office.

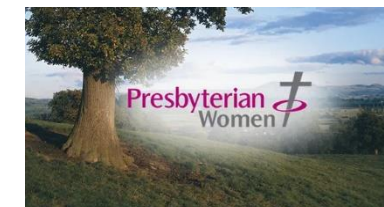
### Office Hours

The church office will be open  
**Monday – Thursday  
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**  
Friday, Saturday and Sunday there will not be office hours to conduct business. If you cannot get to the church during regular business hours, call the office (989) 792-1023 and special arrangements will be made.

**The office will be closed  
Thursday, July 4 in  
observance of  
Independence Day.**

### Florence Gilmour Circle

All women of the church are invited to join us on **Wednesday, June 12**, at 9:30 a.m. at Sullivan's Restaurant on Gratiot Rd. It will be the last meeting until September. Please join in the fun and fellowship.





Dear Friends,

I have learned a lesson. It does not pay to put off doing certain chores when it comes to yardwork. I don't particularly like edging my lawn and so last year I simply did not do it.

Unfortunately, ignoring this task did not help the problem. I was shocked to discover that I had to

remove whole strips of grass and dirt in order to reclaim my sidewalk. I had no idea it had gotten that bad. As I painstakingly continue to get things cleaned up, I have been reminded of a valuable lesson. Regularly maintaining something is so much better than ignoring it and then later having to deal with a much bigger issue.

As I have been spending this quality time in my yard, I've been reflecting on how our spiritual lives need regular maintenance, as well. A close relationship with God doesn't just happen. Colossians 2:6-7 states, "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness." This Scripture speaks to growth and intentionality in our walk with God. Regular maintenance in our spiritual lives might involve asking ourselves these questions: Are there any sins or bad habits that have slowly taken root in my life? Are there any good habits that I have been neglecting such as spending regular time in God's Word and in prayer?

As we enter these summer months, be aware of your spiritual life. Things might feel more relaxed during the summer, but that does not mean we should become more relaxed in resisting temptation or in maintaining a strong relationship with God. Sometimes these summer months bring changes to our regular routine. Don't let the slower or faster pace of the summer cause you to push your relationship with God to the side. A close walk with God, just like a nice lawn, doesn't happen without regular maintenance and upkeep. Have a blessed summer walking close with our Lord!

In Christ,  
Pastor Ruth

Would you like to help lead in worship this summer? This summer, while the choir is on break, I am looking for singers and instrumentalists to help with the special music. If you would like to play or sing during worship, please talk to me and we can arrange that. I am happy to accompany you, and can also help you find music if you are interested but aren't quite sure what would be appropriate. —Thomas Heidenreich 513-746-8876 /

[music@spcsaginaw.org](mailto:music@spcsaginaw.org)



**Mission News**  
**"Go the Second Mile"**  
**Matthew 5:41**

Watch for back-to-school specials! For the months of July and August, the mission committee will be collecting school supplies for elementary school children. Any donations of backpacks, pencils, crayons, or other needed items may be placed on the table in the mission corner to be delivered before the start of school.



Many thanks to all who so generously contributed to the April mission project of the Presbyterian Giving Catalog!! Through your gifts, we are able to provide a Family Farm Bundle (6 chickens, 2 goats, a cow, 3 piglets, a package of farm tools, & farm training), plus 2 more chicken families, 1 piglet, 2 sets of farming tools, & finally, a sewing machine! These gifts will make a tremendous difference for several families.

Thank you, again! ❤️ - The Mission Committee

Thank you to our congregation for your generous donations toward our May "River Jordan" Mission. These donations will support River Jordan's programs in assisting young adults in our area who have aged out of the Foster Care system. A final donation tally will be provided in a future newsletter.

June's Mission will continue assisting those within the foster care system. Tangible items will be collected and donated to the Midland County Foster Closet, an organization and store which provides clothing and other necessities free to any foster child and foster family in the Tri-City Area. Participants include infants, children, teenagers, as well as young adults up to 21 years old who have aged out of the foster care system. Specific needs include tennis shoes, new clothes for the upcoming summer season, bathing suits, diapers, and wipes. Donations may be placed on the Mission table through the end of June. Thank you!

A BIG THANK YOU to all the volunteers who have "adopted" our 11 parking lot islands and curb/gutter areas this yard-work season. Your hard work keeping them free of weeds, maple helicopters, and other debris is a big commitment which is being noticed and is much appreciated!








# June 2024

## Second Presbyterian Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<b>1</b> <b>Rescue Mission Lunches</b> <b>9:30 a.m.</b>
<b>2</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Presbyterian Women's Florence Gilmour Circle 9:30 a.m. @ Sullivans Restaurant	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship 	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>23</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> 9:00 a.m. Worship						



# July 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 Office Closed 	5	6 Rescue Mission Lunches 9:30 a.m.
7 9:00 a.m. Worship	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 9:00 a.m. Worship	15	16	17	18	19 	20
21 9:00 a.m. Worship	22 	23	24	25	26	27
28 9:00 a.m. Worship Communion	29	30	31	27	28	29 

## **JOB OPENING: Christian Education Director**

We are looking for a creative and energetic individual to develop and oversee the educational programs of our church to encourage the spiritual growth of all members. This is a part-time position which would consist of 10 hours per week. For additional information please contact a member of the Christian Education Committee: Pam Moran, Christy Higley, or Laura Bosley.

Responsibilities:

### 1. Children (Age 3 – Grade 5)

- Oversee Sunday School program.
- Assist teachers in lesson preparation and secure materials needed for classes
- Assist in Time with the Children
- Collaborate with pastor and music director to include children in worship
- Work with music director and pastor to produce Christmas, Easter and other special services
- Develop and oversee community activities (Vacation Bible School, Trunk or Treat, etc.)

### 2. Youth (Grades 5-12)

- Collaborate with pastor and Christian Education Committee in offering Confirmation class
- Collaborate with pastor and music director youth involvement in worship (Youth Sunday)
- Develop Youth Fellowship to encourage youth participation in the life of the church

### 3. Adult

- Develop and/or assist with Sunday morning Adult Christian Education programs
- Explore options for additional or alternative study programs (mid-week, family studies, etc.)

### 4. Nursery (If applicable)

- Recruit and train nursery caregivers
- Oversee the program

Qualifications:

- Vibrant personal walk with Christ
- A passion for nurturing the spiritual life of the church
- Ability to relate well with children and youth
- Creativity and willingness to explore new ideas
- Organizational skills
- Ability to work well with a variety of people, including other staff, volunteers, church members and community members

***Please mail resume to: Second Presbyterian Church, 2665 Midland Road, Saginaw, MI 48603 or email Christian Education Committee c/o [secretary@spcsaginaw.org](mailto:secretary@spcsaginaw.org)***