

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Our Tithes and Offerings *"Jesus I Will Never Leave"* J.S. Bach
*The Doxology Page #809
*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn *"O Word of God Incarnate"* Page #310

*Benediction

Postlude *"Fugue in C major"* J.S. Bach

SESSION

Pastor Scott Cress, *Moderator*
Tom Conner, *Clerk of Session*

Class of 2026

Rich Péwé (*Trustee*) and Kevin Portteus

Class of 2027

Tom Conner (*Trustee*) and Les Hutchinson

Class of 2028

Gregg Patten (*Trustee*) and Marsha Rollins

DEACONS

Class of 2026

Patti Péwé, Faye Ross, Steve Ross (*Co-Moderator*), and Pam Steiner (*Treasurer*)

Class of 2027

Earla Carver, Linda Fogarty (*Moderator*), Doug French, and Nancy Veenstra (*Secretary*)

Class of 2028

Beverly Fall, Sue Hayes, Carol Ringenberg, and Sheryl Sanford

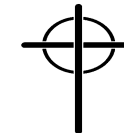
The First Presbyterian Church

Organized July 22, 1843



MISSION STATEMENT

*Called by God into the joy of new life in Christ,
First Presbyterian Church of Hillsdale
seeks to live together faithfully,
committing ourselves to a life of worship,
mutual encouragement to growth in faith and knowledge,
and to the proclamation of the Gospel.*



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Sunday, June 7, 2026

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today, June 7

- 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday School, Classrooms
- 10:20 a.m. Pre-Service Prayer, Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall

Monday, June 8

Tuesday, June 9

Wednesday, June 10

Thursday, June 11

- 9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Anniversary Room

Friday, June 12

Saturday, June 13

Next Sunday, June 14

- 9:00 a.m. Choir Practice (*Last*), Sanctuary
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday School, Classrooms
- 10:20 a.m. Pre-Service Prayer, Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
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Usher Schedule

- June 14:** Tom Fink, Patti Pewe, and Marsha Rollins
- June 21:** Amelia, Margot and Marty Games
- June 28:** Laureen Kimbrough and Faye & Steve Ross

Worship Leaders

- June 14** Nancy Ashton
- June 21** Connie Hutchinson
- June 28** Tom Conner

WELCOME

Welcome to worship and fellowship as the family of God this day. Your presence adds joy to our gathering. Here, in God's house, we are met with grace and with gratitude we come to give thanks to the Lord for His boundless grace. May worship today draw us closer to the heart of Jesus and the peace of God's presence.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS worshiping with us this morning. We ask that you please include your name and address when filling out the Friendship Pads and pass the pad along the pew so others may do the same. After everyone has registered, send the pad back along the pew so you can learn the names of those sitting with you. Attendance Last Sunday: 79

The FLOWERS on the Communion table are given today by Nancy Ashton to honor Dan's 75 years of a life well-lived filled with memories, wisdom, and love. Happy Birthday, Dan!

- PASTOR:** Rev. Scott Cress
- CHOIR/ORGANIST:** Dean James
- WORSHIP LEADER:** Kevin Portteus
- BUILDING CLOSER:** Bill Barron
- DEACONS:** Patti Péwé
- USHERS:** Earla Carver, Doug French, and Pam Steiner

PRAYER REQUESTS: Sandy Kneen and Linda & Tom Monnich
CONTINUING PRAYER REQUESTS: Michael Brown (*Irma's Nephew*), Charles Cress (*Pastor's Father*), Beverly Fall, Susan French, Sarah Price (*Daughter B.Barron*), Nancy Leutheuser, Andre Portteus (*Kevin's Father*), Tom Osborn (*Brother-in-law B.Kneen*), Norma Baldwin, Melinda Foulke-Beckwith, Carissa Benavides, Jack Bowles (*Cousin Vida*), Keith Brown (*Friend H.Wood*), Elizabeth Burke (*Friend B.Kneen*), Kimberly Burlew, Rosie Dwyer (*Friend S.Kinney*), Kevin & Bridget Fowler (*Parents B.Portteus*), Maxine & George Gaffney & Snookie Ham (*Friends B.Kneen*), Sheila Hall (*Friend C.Erholtz*), Ashley Hightower, Shirley McIntyre, JoAnne Rollins (*Sister-in-law M.Rollins*), Lois Shrock, Theresa Tomas (*Friend C.Erholtz*), Laura VanWormer (*Friend L.Fogarty*), Amy Wright, and Elijah Wright (*Son Karen Lagasee-Wright*); **PRAY FOR MILITARY:** SGT Ricardo Arellano (*US Arm—Grandson Janice & Steve Simons*), LT. Andrea Cornett (*USN*); LT. Col. Garron Garn (*US Marines*), Commander Zachary Laden (*US Navy—Grandson B.Taylor*), Major Ben Larson (*National Guard--Grandson C.Dear*), and LT. Sydney Rouble (*USN RN—Granddaughter Bishers*); **PRAY FOR MISSIONS:** Lingap Children's Foundation, Love, Inc, and Samaritan's Purse; **PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS:** Diane Eames, Denny Garn, and Warren Schneider

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION USHERS & WORSHIP LEADER: Thank you for serving! The new Usher and Worship Leader Schedules are available today and a printed copy can be picked up in the Alcove. Thank you for your continued dedication to our Church's ministries and serving in these capacities!

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Our dear friend, **Vida Long**, has started an exciting new chapter and has recently moved into her new home. While we are absolutely thrilled for her new adventure, our Church simply won't be the same without her. If you would like to stay in touch, this is her new contact information: **1840 Maple Knoll Dr SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49508. Her phone number remains the same (517) 474-0400.** We are so incredibly happy for her but saddened to see her go.

CHOIR IS TAKING A SUMMER BREAK! The Choir will sing for their final service of the season next Sunday, June 14, before taking their annual summer break. We deeply appreciate the beautiful music they have shared to enhance our worship. Rehearsals will resume on September 13 at 8:30 am in the sanctuary. If you are interested in joining the music ministry this fall, please speak to Dean James. We wish all of our Choir members a blessed and refreshing summer!

COFFEE FELLOWSHIPS: Join us for Coffee & Fellowship immediately following the morning worship service! Make your way to the Fellowship Hall for warm drinks, sweet treats, and great conversation. It is a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends and welcome our newcomers! If you are new or visiting with us this morning, a special welcome to you!

FLOWER CALENDAR: You're invited to place flowers for a Sunday service in memory of your loved ones or in celebration of your special event. Please take a moment today to put your name on the Flower Calendar in the hall by the Parlor. *Note: The flowers may be taken home by the giver after the service.* To all of you who graciously donate flowers for our Sunday services, we thank you for your kind contributions that beautify our sanctuary each week.

FROM THE DEACONS: The Daily devotional booklets, *Our Daily Bread*, are now available on the tables at the Church door entrances. Please take one for your reading pleasure or give one away to a friend. They are **FREE** to you, compliments of the Deacons.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Join our Men's Bible Study with Pastor Scott on Thursday mornings at 9:00 AM in the Anniversary Room. Come ready for a great time together studying the Bible and building a community of men who are committed to growing in their relationship with Jesus Christ through the study of God's Word, prayer, and fellowship. We hope you will join in!

NEWCOMER'S LUNCH COMING SOON! We've loved having you at FPC recently and would love to get to know you better. We're hosting a brief Newcomers Lunch for prospective Church members next **SUNDAY, JUNE 14** and would be honored if you could join us! The meal and presentation will begin 15 minutes after the worship service concludes. Anyone interested in learning more about our Church is welcome to attend.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Learning for all ages happens on Sunday mornings from 9:40-10:20 AM. The children meet in the classrooms on the first floor by the Church offices. The Adults join Pastor Scott in the Anniversary Room. Hope to see you there!

THANK YOU! A huge thank you to everyone who pitched in to deep-clean our Church kitchen and who spent time washing, scrubbing, and polishings: your service does not go unseen! Your hard work is a beautiful reflection of **1 Peter 4:10: 'Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.'** We are so blessed by your faithfulness and we appreciate you!

WELCOME BACK, PASTOR! We're so incredibly glad to have our Pastor and his family back in the house of the Lord today! We missed you and are thrilled you had time to rest, recharge, and enjoy God's creation. We pray your time away was a true blessing and that you returned refreshed and invigorated. We're so glad you're back in the pulpit today and we celebrate your safe return.

WHEN CLEANING THE KITCHEN, we found that we simply have too many aprons and glass vases taking up cabinet space. Please take a moment to look on the table in Fellowship Hall to see if any of these are yours or if you'd like to take any of them home. We'd appreciate it if you did!



We wish Dan Ashton a blessed 75th birthday from all of us! May God's blessings continue to guide you as you celebrate this milestone, filled with joy and peace, and may your remaining years be blessed with laughter, health, and happiness!