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Church of Monroe

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The mission of the First Presbyterian Church is to be ambassadors for Jesus Christ and to proclaim his salvation in worship, education, and outreach.

# Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

*\*We invite all who are able to stand where there is an asterisk.*

## OPENING WORDS

God of power and might, you paid us a visit.

**And your visit has never ended.**

You clung to us

**when we were given up for dead.**

In life and in death you raise us anew.

**This we know! This we experience! This we celebrate today!**

## PRELUDE

“God Bless America”

Irving Berlin, arr. Gary Lanier

*Janet Spence, flute*

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us give thanks to God,

**For He has allowed us to share in the treasures of the saints in heaven.**

O God, we praise you, for you have delivered us out of darkness.

**You have transplanted us into the kingdom of your beloved Son.**

Through him we are reconciled with God.

**Through him we have peace and the fullness of joy.**

**Alleluia! Amen!**

## \*OPENING HYMN #620

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Holy God, we confess our lack of love. We have neither loved ourselves nor our neighbors. We complain about others. We do not tend to our bodies and souls. We neglect the work of your hands in others and in ourselves. We have cultivated prejudice and ill will. We have passed on our own fears and hurts and caused others to worry and fret. Help us to entrust you with our pain, to amend our faults, and to pray for forgiveness daily. This we pray in and through Christ, who knows us and loves us in spite of ourselves.**

## SILENT CONFESSION

HYMN #579

“Lord, Have Mercy”

*Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.*

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news: God is the alpha and the omega; the beginning and the end; the first and the last. The One who calls you today is the One who walks beside you to give you strength and peace.

### \*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

### \*SONG OF AFFIRMATION #291

“Spirit of Gentleness”

v. 4

*Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness, calling and free. Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea (R).*

*You call from tomorrow; you break ancient schemes; from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams. Our women see visions; our men clear their eyes.*

*With bold new decisions your people arise.*

**Refrain**

### CHILDREN'S BLESSING

*Children 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and younger are welcome to continue worship in the Wee Believers Room, #159.*

### PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING – Jeremiah 18:1-6

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The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING – Mark 6:1-13

NT p. 40

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Yielding to God’s Call”

James Puhl

HYMN #626

“As the Deer”

(sing three times)

OFFERING *Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Registry.*

OFFERTORY "Faith of Our Fathers" Ivan Frazier

\*DOXOLOGY ★606

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**Lord, we give a portion only of what we have received. Sanctify these gifts and make holy and pure the hearts of each giver here so that your light in this city will shine brighter and your kingdom will draw nearer through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—Apostles' Creed (traditional)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

For Deacon Class of 2019 Dale DeSloover, Kathy Fogle, and Cathy Shorter

For Elder Class of 2020 Alan Schroeder

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER AND LAYING ON OF HANDS



### **Sitting Closer to the Front**

We invite you to sit closer to the front with your other church friends so when it is time to Pass the Peace, we are closer to each other. ~~Your Worship Committee

### **Welcome to FPC of Monroe!**

We are glad you are here today! We hope you find this a community of faith where you experience God in Jesus Christ. Childcare is always provided on Sunday mornings and the nursery is located near the parking lot entrance of the church. Hearing assistance is available.

### **Martha Mary Circle**

Tomorrow the Circle will be holding a sewing workshop at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be provided.

### **Ohio Light Opera**

We will carpool at the church at noon on Friday, **July 13** for the trip to Wooster, Ohio. Please note that the Best Western is booked. However, there are several other hotels still available. Please call the church office for details.

### **Thursday Morning Bible Study**

This week on Thursday, **July 12** at 10:00 a.m. a new Bible Study will kick off. Cindy Morgan will facilitate a study on the book of "Mark" based on N.T. Wright's bible study series. Please join us!

### **Mission and Outreach**

We are collecting plastic ware for Oaks of Righteousness this month. Forks are especially needed. Many thanks.

### **Monroe County Fair Parade Float**

The Bed Race To Aid Children will again this year have two beds in the Monroe County Fair Parade. Help is needed to push the beds and walk in the parade. The parade is on Sunday, **July 29<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 P.M. Please contact Dale DeSloover at 734-242-7979 (or @ ddesloover@comcast.net) if you will be able to help with this fun walk/ride through town. Both adults and children are needed. The theme this year is: Celebrating The Past, Creating The Future. Providing beds to children helps to create the future for children.

## 2018 Church Directory

The 2018 Church Directory is hot off the presses! Please pick up a copy in the Narthex, CE Lobby, or in the Church Office.

### Prayer Team

Lois Barnes is heading up the Prayer Team. Please direct any prayer requests to her. You may text or call Lois at 419-308-0262. Information shared is confidential!

### Sermons

Printed copies of the weekly sermon are available in the church office in the mailbox labeled Sermons.

#### Staff:

**Pastor:** Rev. Dr. Annemarie Kidder; **Director of Music Ministry:** Susan Barker;  
**Administrative Assistant:** Sara Jones; **Financial Secretary:** Suzanne Bondie;  
**Sexton:** Gary Bogedain; **Childcare:** Suzanne Bondie, Amy Morgan;  
**Custodian:** Sean Farris  
**Pastors Emeriti:** Rev. Dean McGormley, Rev. Dr. Ellen McGormley  
**Liturgist:** Ann Orwin  
**Ushers:** Cory and Kathy Fogle; Rusty and Cathy Shorter

### DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These readings are from the Lectionary. We invite you to take time each day to read the Bible passages in preparation for Sunday morning.

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mark 6:1-13</b>	<b>Jesus sends the twelve</b>
Monday	Ezekiel 2:1-5	The Lord chooses Ezekiel
Tuesday	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Paul's visions
Wednesday	Jeremiah 1:4-19	The Lord sends Jeremiah
Thursday	Philippians 4:2-14	Giving encouragement and thanks
Friday	Luke 10:1-20	Jesus sends the seventy
Saturday	Psalms 123	A prayer for mercy
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mark 6:14-29</b>	<b>The death of John the Baptist</b>

## Sermon Notes

### THIS WEEK

SUNDAY	11:15	Sermon Discussion (Boyd Chapel)
MONDAY	10:00	Martha Mary Circle Sewing Workshop
	7:00	AA (Fellowship Hall)
TUESDAY	10:00	Chair Yoga
	11:00	No Staff Meeting
WEDNESDAY	1:00	Deacons Visit
THURSDAY	10:00	Bible Study
	6:00	Community of Need Meal (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00	TOPS
FRIDAY	9:00	TOPS
	12:00	Carpool at church for Wooster, Ohio trip
	7:00	Pajama Game play in Wooster, Ohio
	8:00	Heroin Anonymous
SATURDAY	3:00	Arrival at church from Wooster, Ohio trip
SUNDAY	10:00	Worship
	11:15	Sermon Discussion (Boyd Chapel)