

**WELCOME TO THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF PORT HURON**



**TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JULY 28, 2024 – 10:00 A.M.  
PASTOR ROXIE DAVIS**

~Let Us Prepare Our Hearts and Minds for Worship~  
(July Preaching Series: Change--Transitions)

**PROCESSIONAL and PRELUDE**

Musician Elizabeth Roe

*(During the Processional, please quietly take time, to prepare your heart and mind for God's presence in worship)*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pastor Roxie Davis

Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Pad in your pew. It helps us to know that you are here, as part of God's Family. **For those of you who are visiting us today, we welcome you as a part of this Church Family.** If you give us your contact information, we will let you know of other family events and ministries that are happening. **Please also, Visitors,** if you could fill out the special form in the Friendship Pads, that would give us an idea how you found out about us. **To all of you, new or seasoned, we believe that God is glad you have chosen to worship this morning.**

**OPENING WORDS**

Liturgist Joan Vandawaker

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)**

Liturgist Joan

Just as plants grow, we can grow when we allow God to nurture us.

**Just as plants grow and survive, in all kinds of weather,  
God gives us the strength to go on.**

Just as there are many ways of thinking and doing;  
in the end, it is God who shows us love.

**Just as there are different parts of this Body of Christ, God is the One  
who is the Head. Let us worship God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

**"Morning Has Broken"**

**#469**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

Liturgist Joan

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)**

Liturgist Joan

**Almighty God, there are moments in our lives when life gets messy. Decisions get difficult and relationships need to be healed. Unkind words get spoken. Patience and understanding are far from us. We know we are in need of Your forgiveness. We want You to help us grow in Your love day by day. Help us receive Your forgiveness so that we can forgive others and be reconciled to You and to others. Help us to grow in Our faith and in Your love.**

**(A moment of silent prayer to confess our own personal sins) Amen.**

**WORDS OF FORGIVENESS (Responsively)**

Liturgist Joan

**It is through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ that we are loved and we are forgiven.**

**God's gracious act of love opens up our relationship with God and with each other.**

**Without recognizing God's forgiveness it makes it hard to love and forgive others.**

**Thanks be to God that no matter who plants or who waters, God is still the One who gives the growth, through God's love and forgiveness.**

**\*SUNG RESPONSE**

Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Pastor Roxie

**SCRIPTURES**

**1 Corinthians 3:5-9**

Liturgist Joan

**SERMON**                                      **“Plant, Water, Grow”**                                      Pastor Roxie

**\*HYMN**                                      **“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”**                                      **#316**

**GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**                                      Liturgist Joan  
**Offertory Music**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**THANKSGIVING PRAYER**                                      Liturgist Joan

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**                                      Pastor Roxie  
Sharing of Joys and Concerns

**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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**\*CLOSING HYMN**                                      **“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”**                                      **#417**

**BENEDICTION (Responsively)**

Some may plant the seed of faith

**Others may water.**

But it is God who gives the growth.

**Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH FRIENDSHIP: Please sign the Friendship Register and make sure others around you have a chance. **We welcome all of you to the worship of God, especially those who are visitors.** We welcome you as part of our church family; please give us your e-mail and/or phone number so we can make you aware of other events happening in the church. The Friendship Sheets go in the Offering Plates. **Visitors, please fill out the small form available** in the Friendship Pad, it gives us an idea of how you came to worship with us today.

THANK YOU for sharing your gifts with us! Our liturgist today is Joan Vandawaker. The greeter today is Dorinne Crowell. The Tech Team members running the video and sound board are Mark Schian and Paige Cronce. The coffee hour host is Anne Wilton and Reta Zochowski. The sanctuary flowers are provided by Barb Seymore and Family in memory of Christina and Gerald Kemerer.

### UPCOMING EVENT INFORMATION

STITCH AND CHAT: A group of women meet each **Wednesday morning from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM to Stitch and Chat.** Are you a stitcher or a chatter? Whichever, come! Bring your latest project or just come to chat!

ADULT CLASS WEDNESDAY NIGHT: **Wednesday night** adult class is at **7:00 p.m.** in the Parlor. We will be viewing “The Chosen” Season 4, Episode 4. There are study books available for you at no cost.

CELEBRATION COFFEE HOUR: Come celebrate Pastor Roxie’s retirement along with those who have an August Birthday and Anniversary on **Sunday, August 4th** during Coffee Hour being held *between* services from **9:00-10:00 a.m.** in the Gathering Room.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT: All are welcome to work or attend National Night Out on **Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00 p.m.** at St. Joseph Catholic

Church (1331 7<sup>th</sup> Street). We are providing all the water. If you can help, please contact the Mission Committee chair, Judith McLean.

**ANNUAL YARD SALE:** The Mission Committee's Annual Yard Sale will be **August 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>** in the church parking lot and basement. On **Tuesdays from 12-2:00 p.m.**, gently used and clean donations can be dropped off **through July 30<sup>th</sup> and Sundays through July 28<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** A committee member will be there to accept your donations of clothing, housewares, small appliances, tools, etc. If you have larger items to donate, please coordinate with the church office. *If anyone has a canopy tent available for the church to borrow for the yard sale, please let the church office know as soon as possible. They are also looking for empty cardboard boxes to use to pack up items after the sale. Thank you!*

**VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING:** There will be a Summer Camp (VBS) volunteer training on **Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.** We will be discussing the theme of our VBS, the Bible stories we will be teaching, and going over volunteer job assignments. This meeting is for both adults and teen helpers. See Laura Nurnberg with questions.

**SUMMER BIBLE CAMP (VBS):** Starting **Monday, Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>-Thurs. August 22<sup>nd</sup>**, we will have our summer camp (Vacation Bible School) from **5:00-7:30 p.m.** The Christian Education Committee is **looking for volunteers.** Please see the insert to see where they need volunteers and sign up! Please give the insert to one of the CE committee members or put it in the offering plate. If you have any questions, please contact Laura Nurnberg.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER SIGN UP:** Please see the insert for more information about signing up as a volunteer teacher this upcoming year of Sunday School beginning September 15, 2024.

### **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BEACH SERVICE:** Beach Worship continues **at 8:00 a.m.** at Lighthouse Beach, 2900 Conger Street.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS/COFFEE HOUR HOST: There are available dates in August and September. Please sign up in the book located on the office counter and in Fellowship Hall at Coffee Hour on Sundays.

FOOD PANTRY: Please remember those who are suffering from food insecurities by donating non-perishable food to the Bluewater Community Food Depot. Monetary donations are also welcomed. There is a collection container in the church foyer off the parking lot and Sanctuary entrance.

JOB OPENING: We have a job opening for the Children's Christian Education Coordinator. The job description has been revised. If you, or anyone you know, may be interested - please speak with the Personnel Committee: Shelley Kamer, Marilyn Dunn or Steve Ahlquist or pick up a job description on the office counter.

LARGE PRINT HYMNS AND BULLETINS: Large print hymnals and bulletins are available for use during the worship service. Please let the ushers know if you would like one for the service.

PRINTED SERMONS: Pastor Roxie's printed sermons are available on the table near the church office desk in the Gathering Room.

THE MESSAGE BIBLE: Our third order of The Message Bible has come in. If you want a Bible that is written in contemporary language, written by a Presbyterian Theologian (Eugene Peterson) and goes back to the original languages of the Bible (Hebrew and Greek), this is the Bible for you. They are available in the Gathering Room, at no cost to you. Enjoy!!

LOVE WINS: We also have a second order of Rob Bell's book "Love Wins." Please pick one up from the Gathering Room table.

*\*Families with children: Please be advised that our worship service, including the Children's Message, is streamed live online. If you would not like your child's face in view, please sit with your child in the Parlor where the service is played on the TV.*

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Mon./7-29: Financial Counters	9:00 AM
Wed./7-31: Adult Class: The Chosen	7:00 PM
Sun./8-4: Pastor Roxie's Last Sunday Celebration Coffee Hour	9:00-10:00 AM

EVENTS:

**August 4:** Pastor Roxie's last Sunday- Celebration Coffee Hour *between* worship services from 9:00-10:00 AM in the Gathering Room

**August 6:** National Night Out, St. Joseph's Catholic Church (1331 7<sup>th</sup> St.), sponsored by the 8 Olde Town Churches 5:00-7:00 p.m. A family event- Games and Fun!

**August 19-22:** Summer Bible Camp (VBS) – Volunteers Needed

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***Our mission is know the Love of God, grow in the Christian faith,  
and go share our faith in Jesus Christ.***