

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church



September 20, 2026

17th Sunday after Pentecost

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10:30 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE GATHERING

PRELUDE

"Moderato"

Rinck

"Be still and know that I am God."

Psalm 46:10

(Please use this time to prepare for worship in silence.)

WORDS OF WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP
MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

PASSING THE PEACE

"...I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

Matthew 25:35b

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

(The people may greet each other in the spirit of Christ.)

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

Sing to God a new song; sing all the earth.

Sing to God and praise God's name!

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise;

All the gods of the nations are idols,

but God made the heavens.

Ascribe to God, all families of the nations;

Ascribe to God glory and strength.

Rejoice in the Lord always.

Again we will say, "Rejoice!"

OPENING PRAYER

Liturgist

*HYMN 363

"Rejoice, the Lord is King!"

DARWALL'S 148TH

*CONFESSION AND PARDON

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. With that assurance and the promise of God's grace through Jesus Christ, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

God of mystery, God of life, we imagine that we are capable judges of power and wisdom and goodness. We trust our own standards; we separate and categorize; we mark the performance of others. We fail to trust your power, hidden in all things. We fail to watch for you, working out your purposes. Gracious God, hidden and manifest, transform our withered imaginations until we yield the judgements we trust to a love we cannot control. Amen.

Silent Confession

*KYRIE

Lord, have mercy,

Christ, have mercy,

Lord, have mercy upon us.

God extends to us mercy beyond our deserving and grace beyond our ability to earn it. **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. We are part of God's new creation! Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.**

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)

(Page 35, *Glory to God Hymnal*)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liturgist

THE READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES: Exodus 16:2-15

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHORAL ANTHEM

"The Call"

THE GOSPEL READING: Romans 12:1-13

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

"Reflections"

THE RESPONSE

*HYMN 657

"Sing to God, with Joy and Gladness"

GLENDON

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

We believe in Almighty God, Maker of heaven and earth. We believe that God's love is powerful beyond measure. God not only preserves the world; God continually attends to it. God commands us to care for the earth in ways that reflect God's loving care for us. We are responsible for ensuring that the earth's gifts are used fairly and wisely, that no creature suffers from the abuse of what we are given, and that future generations may continue to enjoy the abundance and goodness of the earth in praise to God. Entrusting ourselves wholly to God's care, we receive the grace to be patient in adversity, thankful in the midst of blessing, courageous when facing injustice, and confident that no evil may afflict us that God will not turn to our good.

(From *The Study Catechism* of the PC(U.S.A.); Questions 17, 22, 19, 23)

*GLORIA PATRI (Hymn 581)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

"Larghetto"

Stark

*DOXOLOGY/Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (606)

*PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

THE SENDING

*HYMN 539

"We Will Go Out with Joy"

WE WILL GO OUT WITH JOY

*COVENANT OF THE CONGREGATION (Unison)

**Let us go forth into the world in peace, have courage, hold on to what is good,
return to no person evil for evil, strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak,
help the suffering, honor all persons, love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the
power of the Holy Spirit.**

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Allegro Maestoso"

Klauss



PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Craig Hendrix, Guest Pastor
Sue Micinski, Liturgist
Frank and Maurine Slaughter, Ushers
Fred and Char Kamper, Greeters
Diane Pharr, Digital Greeter
Michael Beery, Music Director
Laurence Smith, Organist



OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY																											
Today 9:00 Sunday Bible Study 10:30 Worship 11:30 Coffee Hour 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group Monday, September 21 2:00 Adult Ed Mtg 3:30 Peace and Justice Mtg Tuesday, September 22 1:00 Faith in Action Mtg Wednesday, September 23 12:30 Centering Prayer Group 2:00 Session Mtg 5:00 Choir Rehearsal 6:30 Lux Aeterna Rehearsal	Thursday, September 24 9:00 Hole-Y Diggers 2:00 "I Am" Class Friday, September 25 9:00 Men's Breakfast at Platte River Inn Saturday, September 26 10:00 PW Bazaar 4:00 Gardenside Memorial for Dave Whisner Sunday, September 27 9:00 Sunday Bible Study 10:30 Worship—Pledge Sunday 11:30 Coffee Hour 4:00 A.A./Al-Anon Serenity Group																										
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MILITARY: All of our US Military deployed and their families. INTERNATIONAL PEACEMAKERS : Rev. Jerome Bizimana & the people of Rwanda Rev. Butros Zaour & family & Majd Lahham, Damascus, Syria MISSION CO-WORKERS: Mark Adams & Miriam Maldonado Escobar, & their children: Cindy Yessenia, Anna Flor & Nathan—Frontera de Cristo; Douglas AZ	M EMBERS AND FRIENDS <table> <tr> <td>Bob Nelson</td><td>The Navin Family</td></tr> <tr> <td>Tim Bergstrom</td><td>Tim, Sarah, Tilly and Family</td></tr> <tr> <td>John Warren Robey</td><td>Casey Beal and Family</td></tr> <tr> <td>Kristin Lehoullier</td><td>Peter Navin</td></tr> <tr> <td>Suzie Anderson</td><td>Linda Koch</td></tr> <tr> <td>Cathy Lane</td><td>Evelyn Sengelaub</td></tr> <tr> <td>Vickie Smith</td><td>Laura and Bryan Sheffield</td></tr> <tr> <td>Bobbie Edwards</td><td>Gwen Baarstad</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sara Crane</td><td>Dottie Patterson</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sara Bruce</td><td>John Sappington</td></tr> <tr> <td>Olivia Dann</td><td>Chris (Harris) Bint</td></tr> <tr> <td>Richard Hug</td><td>Dave Maxton</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mary Heglin</td><td>Susan Eldred</td></tr> </table>	Bob Nelson	The Navin Family	Tim Bergstrom	Tim, Sarah, Tilly and Family	John Warren Robey	Casey Beal and Family	Kristin Lehoullier	Peter Navin	Suzie Anderson	Linda Koch	Cathy Lane	Evelyn Sengelaub	Vickie Smith	Laura and Bryan Sheffield	Bobbie Edwards	Gwen Baarstad	Sara Crane	Dottie Patterson	Sara Bruce	John Sappington	Olivia Dann	Chris (Harris) Bint	Richard Hug	Dave Maxton	Mary Heglin	Susan Eldred
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Please Note:- No more donations can be accepted. We will be preparing the already donated items for sale on Saturday.

BENZIE FAITH IN ACTION REVERSE DEBATE

Where OUR Candidates listen to US!

Where we demand solutions to the housing crisis,
mental health crisis, and other issues impacting
rural Michigan



Sunday
September
27th 2026



2 PM
**First Congregational
Church of Benzonia UCC**

CONFIRMED CANDIDATES INCLUDE:

JOCELYN BENSON, CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR

MIKE ROGERS, CANDIDATE FOR US SENATE

CALLIE BARR, CANDIDATE FOR US CONGRESS

OTHER INVITED CANDIDATES INCLUDE:

ABDUL EL SAYED, CANDIDATE FOR US SENATE

JOHN JAMES, CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR

US CONGRESSMAN JACK BERGMAN

STATE SENATOR JON BUMSTEAD

STATE REPRESENTATIVE BETSY COFFIA

STATE REPRESENTATIVE JOHN ROTH

They work for us. Let's make sure they know it!

For information:

Luke Allen, Lead Organizer

Benzie Faith in Action

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Cass Mission Trip: Thank you to all who have expressed interest in helping this year. It has been decided to postpone this fall's trip in October and reschedule for Spring 2027.

Look for information and sign up in the New Year.



United Through Christ, Bound to Each Other

by Rhonda Mahwood Lee

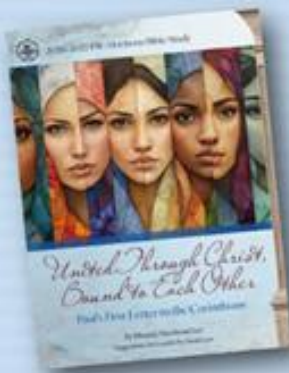
Gather with us to learn about Paul's first letter to the church in Corinth. This Bible study explores the letter's setting, divisions within the congregation, and ultimately, the gifts given to all through the work of Christ.

Join us onsite or online the 2nd Tuesday of each month through May.

Classes begin Tuesday, September 8 at 10:30am

(read Chapter 1 for this class).

This year Adult Ed MT will cover the cost of the books!



The "I AM" Study

Study created by and led by Will Amstutz

Who are you?

If you identify as a Christian, are your beliefs and behavior
in accordance with God's Word?

Does your life reflect who He wants you to **BE** and **DO**?

The study starts on Thursday, September 10 from 2-3:30PM

We will meet at St. Andrews.

The study is planned for 8 weeks.

A personal study guide will be provided.

You provide the commitment!