



## 10:30 AM One Service • Sunday, June 29, 2025

### Order of Worship

#### Countdown to Worship

Prelude – *“Let’s Trust In Jesus”*

VBS Children

Welcome

Wayne Potter

Introit – *“This Is The Day”*

VBS Children

#### Call to Worship

Leader: When we wonder, we can...

Maelyn Zendler

**People: Trust Jesus!**

Leader: When we feel alone, we can...

Fynn Peck

**People: Trust Jesus!**

Leader: When we feel powerless, we can...

Nora Vergote

**People: Trust Jesus!**

Leader: When we need hope, we can...

Christopher Voss

**People: Trust Jesus!**

Leader: When we need help, we can...

Kady Peck

**People: Trust Jesus!**

#### Opening Prayer

Leader: Dear God, sometimes I mess up.

Arthur Misico

**People: Sometimes I hurt someone else because I am angry or mean.**

Leader:..Dear God, sometimes I’m not sorry about what I did.

Reid Conrad

**People: But really I am not proud of my actions.**

Leader: Dear God, sometimes I try hard to be kind and thoughtful.

Sadie White

**People: Help me to live that way.**

Leader: Dear God, thank you for the gift of forgiveness.

Alice Cannon

**All: Amen**

#### Opening Song – *“My God Is Powerful”*

#### Scripture Readings

“Anyone who listens to my teaching and follows it is wise” Matthew 7:24 ..... Marie Zendler

“Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens,

and I will give you rest” Matthew 11:28 .....Adaline Peck

“‘Don’t be afraid,’ he said, ‘Take courage, I am here!’” Matthew 14:27 ..... Marie Zendler

“And his name will be the hope of all the world.” Matthew 12:21 .....Adaline Peck

“I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Matthew 28:20 ..... Marie Zendler

Sermon *Local Mission Week* – Cohen Reinhardt, Caitlin White, Claire Cannon,  
Arden Ruedi, Barb Johnson

*Kentucky Appalachian Mission Trip* – Ruby Kline, Madelyn Conrad, Leah Voss,  
Hadley Kickert, Dante Holsinger, Alison Croft, Jennifer Pritchard, Leah Keaton

*Vacation Bible School* – Tara DenHerder

*Missions Recap* – Wayne Potter

Responsive Hymn – ***“Tis So Sweet”***

Pastoral Prayer & 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.**

Presentation of Offering and Connection Cards

Closing Song – ***“Power Shuffle”***

VBS Children

Charge and Blessing

Stella Barraw

Leader: In the coming week what does God call us to do?

**People: We are called to: Introduce Jesus Christ to those who do not know Him;  
deepen the faith and commitment of those who already know Him;  
and demonstrate Christ’s way of love in service to the world.**

Benediction

Rev. Jim Porter

Postlude – ***“Trust In Jesus”***

VBS Children

### **Worship Concludes – Service Begins!**

Thank you. Special thanks to our ushers: Kevin & Kathy Rogols, and our snack volunteer.

Thank you for your generous giving during this challenging time! Your gifts support all of the work and ministries of the church, as we continue to do the work of Christ in the world today. You can mail your pledges to the church at: First Presbyterian Church of Elk Rapids, 404 Spruce Street, Elk Rapids, MI 49629, give through online giving at [www.erfpc.org](http://www.erfpc.org) (click on the Giving tab at the top right), or set up a one time or recurring donation by contacting our Treasurer, Mike Husby, at [finmanager@erfpc.org](mailto:finmanager@erfpc.org). Again, we thank everyone for their continued support of the ministries and mission of the church!

Nursery – Qualified caregivers welcome infants and children during the service.

**Please note that the church office will be closed on Friday, July 4 for the Independence Day Holiday.** Normal office hours will resume on Monday, July 7.

### **Thank You VBS Volunteers**

Thank you to everyone that had any part in our Vacation Bible School program this year. Whether you were a group leader, station leader, registration volunteer, or you made decorations or helped set up/take down, your help was appreciated and was a blessing to every child that attended.

**Sabbatical Information** – As you may know, Pastor Jim will be leaving on August 4th for a 12 week sabbatical. A Sabbatical Manual has been prepared for the congregation to answer most of the basic questions about a sabbatical. Those are available in the Narthex. Also, there will be a Congregational Coffee on June 29th in the Narthex where you will be able to ask any questions that you may have regarding the sabbatical and how it works.

**Our new van needs you!** We are looking for members who are, well, driven to serve. Specifically, serving behind the wheel. Our Transportation Ministry is expanding and it is important to have a team of alternate drivers to be effective in serving the needs of the ERFPC youth and community. Sign up at the Activity Center. Questions? Contact: Deb McGee at 702-810-6995 or [dmcgee24@gmail.com](mailto:dmcgee24@gmail.com).

**THESE DAYS devotional booklets for July through September 2025 have arrived** and are on the Welcome table in the narthex. Stop and pick up your copy today!

## **An Invitation to Retreat – July 25-27 at Presbytery Point Camp**

We warmly invite you to Presbytery Camp on the shores of beautiful Lake Michigan for a time of rest, renewal, fellowship, and – most importantly – connection with the presence of God.

The retreat begins Friday, July 25 with dinner at 6 p.m., and concludes with worship on Sunday morning, July 27 at 11 a.m. Led by Rev. Jim Porter, the retreat will feature worship, prayer, devotions on spiritual transformation, and time of fun and fellowship. **Families and kids are welcome!**

The retreat costs \$150 per person and includes two night's lodging at the Mac Lodge, five meals (Friday dinner through Sunday breakfast) and use of the camp facilities. Guests are also welcome to bring their own campers (note: there are no hook-ups, but camping on-site is allowed). Questions? Call 906-869-0925 or email the camp at [director@presbyterypoint.org](mailto:director@presbyterypoint.org) or contact Jim Porter at 248-505-9064 or [jporter@erfpc.org](mailto:jporter@erfpc.org). To register, go to [www.presbyterypoint.org](http://www.presbyterypoint.org) today!

## **Alzheimer's & Dementia Caregiver Support Group – 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of Each Month at 2PM**

For those caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's or dementia. Share support, encouragement, and guidance in a welcoming environment. The group meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month from 2:00-3:00 p.m. **Please contact facilitator Kathy Dork at 248-568-4651** if you'd like to attend or if you have questions. **The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 18.**

**Community Cupboard** – The Community Cupboard is open every other Tuesday and Friday with a "shop for yourself system" for those in need. Check out the website: <https://www.elkrapidscommunitycupboard.com>. Call Pam Coleman at 847-445-8239 for more information or to set up an appointment.

**Take the Survey!** Not sure where your gifts and talents lay? Or where you might be best suited to serve? Take our Volunteer Accelerator Survey! It's fun, informative, and easy to do! Scan the QR code or use the link: <https://volunteeraccelerator.ministryarchitects.com/ERFPC/survey.html> Thanks for your willingness to help out!

### **This Week's Activities**

#### **Sun. 6/29**

10:30 a One 10:30 Indoor Service

#### **Mon. 6/30**

9:00 a Bulletin Items Due

#### **Tues. 7/1**

2:30 p Harbor Voice Prac.

6:30 p Deacons - FH

#### **Wed. 7/2**

3:00 p Service at Autumn House

6:30 p Praise Team Practice

#### **Thurs. 7/3**

**Fri. 7/4 – Independence Day**  
Church Office Closed