



Faithful to the Scriptures.

True to the Reformed Faith.

Obedient to the Great Commission.

Lord's Day 24

June 15th, 2025

Trinity Sunday

WELCOME

Grace to you and Peace!

On behalf of the elders, deacons, and all the saints: Welcome to **First Presbyterian Church of Bad Axe**. We are pleased that you are here with us today to worship our Triune God. This bulletin contains a liturgy which will guide you through our worship services and prayer meeting. We invite you to join us after the service for coffee, fellowship, and snacks. Here's a bit of info about who we are and what we believe:

We are a Christian Church: Thus, we believe in the Holy Trinity: One God, in three persons: The Eternal Father, the Eternally-Begotten Son, and the Eternally-Proceeding Holy Spirit. As Christians, we confess the faith once for all delivered to the saints (Jude 1:3) codified in the ancient creeds of the Christian Church: The Apostles' Creed (2nd century), the Nicene Creed (AD 381), the Definition of Chalcedon (AD 451), and the Athanasian Creed (5th century).

We are a Protestant Church: As Protestants, although we trace our beliefs and practices to the Apostolic Church, we also have foundational roots in the Protestant Reformation of the 16th and 17th centuries. Protestants believe in the authority of the inspired Holy Scriptures over unbiblical Church tradition and that salvation is by God's *grace alone*, through *faith alone*, in *Christ alone*, and for the *glory of God alone* (Eph. 2:8–10).

We are a Reformed Church: Reformed Churches originated from different regions in Europe during the Protestant Reformation. These churches believe and confess the doctrinal summaries of the Holy Scriptures that arose from that time period. Our tradition comes from the Scottish and English Reformations; thus, we believe and confess the Westminster Standards, written in England during the 1640's.

We are a Presbyterian Church. Presbyterians believe that the biblical form of Church government is through trained, called, elected, and ordained elders. In the Greek New Testament, they are called *presbyters*, which is where the name "Presbyterian" comes from. Our Teaching and Ruling Elders preach, teach, shepherd, protect the Church from false doctrine, and make decisions on her behalf. We also have trained, called, elected, and ordained deacons who take care of the material needs of the Church.

Reformed Presbyterian Churches hold the public worship of God and the communion of the saints in high esteem. Thus, **the Lord's Day Worship Service** is the most important event of the week. During this time, we gather together to hear the Word of God, receive the Sacraments (baptism and the Lord's Supper), to pray, to praise, and to enjoy Christian fellowship. If you have any questions, feel free to connect with Pastor Scott or with one of our elders or deacons.

Soli Deo Gloria,

Rev. Scott C. McDermand II

CHURCH LIFE & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS SUNDAY: JUNE 15TH

- 9:55 Announcements & Prelude
- 10:00 Morning Worship: Word, Sacrament, & Prayer**
- 11:15 Fellowship: Coffee, Tea, & Snacks
- 11:45 Sunday School
- 1:00 Backyard BBQ

Please Silence or Turn Off Your Devices

THIS WEEK: JUNE 15TH–21ST

Backyard BBQ (1:00 PM) – Join us at Allan and Lori McLeod's for our Backyard BBQ. Food provided, please bring your own beverages. The McLeod's address is:

Theology Thursday: Book Club – Our study of Covenant Theology in the book *Sacred Bond: Covenant Theology Explored* continues on Thursday with the Mosaic Covenant. Charcuterie and fellowship at 6:30. Study begins at 7:00.

Birthdays & Anniversaries –

FOR YOUR CALENDAR: FUTURE EVENTS

Saturday, June 21st – Men's Breakfast: Church doors and kitchen open up at 8:00 AM and the breakfast starts at 9:00 AM followed by a short time of homiletic encouragement and robust hymn singing. Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Boys welcome too.

Saturday, June 21st – Ladies' Night at B&B Wines: Join us for wine tasting at B&B Wines from 4–6 PM. Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board.

Sunday, July 6th – Join us at Kirk and Lisa Winter's following our Morning Service for our annual 4th of July BBQ. Burgers and Hot Dogs provided, please bring a dish, dessert, or drink to share. See you there!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH IN NEED OF PRAYER: Mark & Michelle Green, Julia Mayes, and Lisa Schember; expectant mother: Yvonne Krug; those who serve as caretakers; former pastor Jan Dykshoorn (recovery from heart surgery); all who are ill or traveling; long-term care residents: Pam Belew (Courtney Manor), Bertha McTaggart, and Ann Thaut (Meadow Lanes); our shut-in ministry; and those who have ceased attending public worship regularly, that God would reveal to them their sin, and the necessity of worship and the communion of the saints.

OUR MISSIONARIES: Jim DeWitt (Latin America), Lynn Hacker (Zambia), the Kawachis (France), the Nachtergaeles (Belgium), the Shupes (British Colombia); the Wilsons (Middle East) as they work for the King and the advancement of the gospel of his kingdom; that we would be missionaries by sharing the gospel and inviting others to our church; that God would grant courage and the words to speak as we interact with our family and friends; and that we would not be ashamed of sharing the gospel, but always ready to provide a defense for the hope that is within us.

OUR CHURCH'S MINISTRIES: That the work of the Session, Diaconate, Sunday School program, Missions Committee, and of all the saints would glorify God and always be Great Commission-focused; that our service would edify the church and facilitate growth; that we would remain vigilant and faithful to the Word of God and our denominational standards; that our Sunday school classrooms would be full; that our members would take their public vows seriously and attend church on a regular basis; and that we would have better attendance at our PM services where the means of grace are offered; and that God would be glorified as we worship him.

OUR COUNTRY: That the civil magistrate would rule with justice and uphold laws; that they would protect and encourage the good and punish the evil; that the right to gather and worship God would be protected and the civil magistrate would not interfere in matters of faith and worship; that our leaders would come to know Christ: The King of kings and Lord of lords, and that their governing would demonstrate that knowledge; that Christians in the United States would live quiet, godly, and dignified lives; that Christians would direct others to God in the way they live their lives.

THE CHURCH UNIVERSAL: That the Kingdom of God on earth would advance through the preaching of the gospel throughout the world; for Christians who are being persecuted: that they would be faithful witnesses to Jesus Christ and that their persecutors would be converted through this witness. This month, we pray in particular for the Christians in East Africa especially in Somalia and Eritrea suffering persecution and martyrdom under Islamic oppression.

PRELUDE & SILENT PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

John B. Dykes (Nicaea, 1861) | Briynne McCrea, Piano

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

The Collect | Trinity Sunday

According to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

St. Peter | 1 Peter 1:2

Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

The Lord Jesus Christ | John 17:1–5

The Father was neither made nor created nor begotten from anyone. The Son was neither made nor created; he was begotten from the Father alone. The Holy Spirit was neither made nor created nor begotten; he proceeds from the Father and the Son. Accordingly, there is one Father, not three fathers; there is one Son, not three sons; there is one Holy Spirit, not three holy spirits. None in this Trinity is before or after, none is greater or smaller; in their entirety the three persons are coeternal and coequal with each other...Anyone then who desires to be saved should think thus about the Trinity.

The Athanasian Creed | 5th Century

~ THE DIVINE SERVICE ~

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*GOD'S GREETING

1 Peter

1:2

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms

99:1-3, 5, 9

*HYMN OF PRAISE

103 – Holy God, We Praise Your Name (1,

2, 4)

*RESPONSORIAL

from Psalm

99

Minister: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth quake!

†Congregation: **Let them praise your great and awesome name!**

Holy is he!

Minister: Exalt the LORD our God;

worship at his footstool!

Holy is he!

†Congregation: **Exalt the LORD our God,**

and worship at his holy mountain;

For the LORD our God is holy!

Minister: Christ has ascended!

†Congregation: **He is ascended, indeed! Alleluia!**

*PRAYER OF ENTRANCE

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

READING OF THE LAW

Ephesians

1:3–14

Minister: The Word of God is living and active.

†Congregation: **Sharper than any two-edged sword.**

EXPOSITION OF THE LAW

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

CORPORATE CONFESSION

Book of

Common Prayer

Almighty and most merciful Father,

We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our hearts.

We have offended against Your holy laws.

We have left undone things which we ought to have done;

and we have done things which we ought not to have done.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.

Spare those, O God, who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent;

according to Your promises declared unto us in Christ Jesus.

Grant that we may hence live a godly, righteous, and sober life;
to the glory of His name. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 1:9;

Ephesians 1:7

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE

*102 – All Glory Be to
thee, Most High*

OUR OFFERINGS

It belongs to those in the office of elder...to watch diligently over the flock committed to his charge, that no corruption of morals enter therein...They should pray with and for the people, being careful and diligent in seeking the fruit of the preached Word among the flock.

Book of Discipline | BCO 8-3

The Holy Scriptures teach that God is the owner of all persons and all things and that we are but stewards of both life and possessions; that God's ownership and our stewardship should be acknowledged; that this acknowledgment should take the form, in part, of giving at least a tithe of our income and other offerings to the work of the Lord through Church of Jesus Christ, thus worshipping the Lord with our possessions.

Book of Worship | BCO 54-1

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Ruling Elder, Mr. Wayne

Copeland

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.

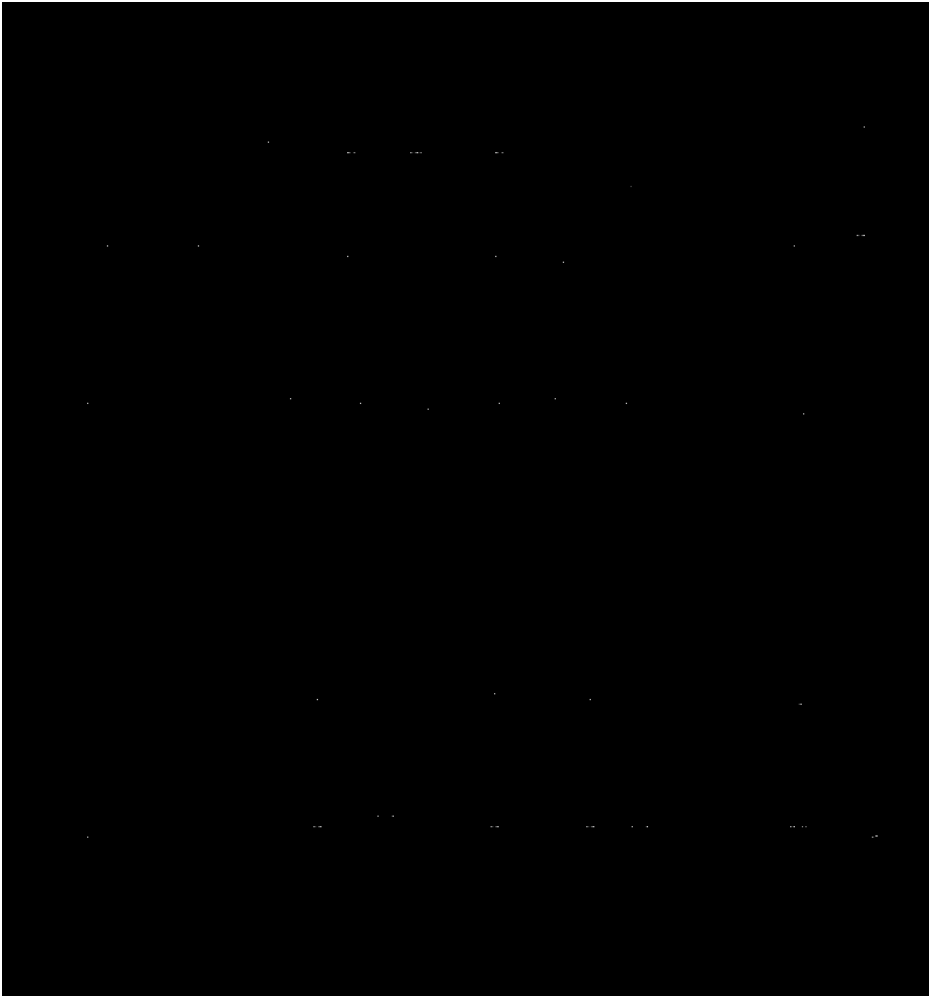
THE WEEKLY OFFERING

2 Corinthians

9:7-8

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves the cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work.

*THE OFFERING OF PRAISE



THE SERMON

It is required of those that hear the Word preached, that they attend upon it with diligence, preparation, and prayer; examine what they hear by the Scriptures; receive the truth with faith, love, meekness, and readiness of mind, as the Word of God; meditate upon, and confer of it; hide it in their hearts, and bring forth the fruit of it in their lives.

*PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT

John

17:1–5

Minister: The grass withers, the flower fades,

†Congregation: **But the Word of our God stands forever!**

SERMON

From Holy Week to the

Holy Trinity:

The Holy Trinity: The Covenant of Redemption

THE FATHER DECREES REDEMPTION

THE SON ACCOMPLISHES REDEMPTION

THE SPIRIT APPLIES REDEMPTION

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

HYMN OF RESPONSE

(1–3, 5)

Next Page – Union with Thee

THE LITURGY OF THE UPPER ROOM

CONFESSION OF FAITH

ATHANASIAN CREED (5TH CENTURY)¹

Minister: Whoever desires to be saved
should above all hold to the catholic faith.²
Anyone who does not keep it whole and unbroken
will doubtless perish eternally.

Now this is the catholic faith:

†Congregation: That we worship one God in Trinity
and the Trinity in unity,
neither blending their persons
nor dividing their essence.

‡All: For the person of the Father is a distinct person,
the person of the Son is another,
and that of the Holy Spirit still another.

But the divinity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is one,
their glory equal, their majesty coeternal.

¹ The Athanasian Creed is a late-Patristic/early-Medieval Western Creed, likely of Gallic origin. Although not written by Athanasius of Alexandria, it reflects his theology codified in the earlier Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed (4th cent.) and later in the Definition of Chalcedonian (5th cent.). The Creed includes Trinitarian, Filioque, and Christological themes as well as statements against heresies such as Arianism, Eutychianism, and Nestorianism. Originally intended for liturgical use, Lutheran and Reformed Churches have confessed and sung it for centuries, especially on Trinity Sunday.

² As has been taught in great detail, the term “catholic” comes from the Greek word *katholike* which means “universal.” We are catholic because we believe in the universal Christian Faith as confessed in the Creeds of the Ancient Church and even taught in our Presbyterian standards. In the sense that we use this word here, it means “Christian” or “orthodox.”

Minister: Such as the Father is, such is the Son,
and such is the Holy Spirit.

The Father is uncreated, the Son is uncreated,
the Holy Spirit is uncreated.

The Father is immeasurable, the Son is immeasurable,
the Holy Spirit is immeasurable.

The Father is eternal, the Son is eternal,
the Holy Spirit is eternal.

†Congregation: And yet there are not three eternal beings;
there is but one eternal being.

†All: So too there are not three uncreated or immeasurable beings;
there is but one uncreated and immeasurable being.

Minister: Similarly, the Father is almighty,
the Son is almighty,
the Holy Spirit is almighty.

Yet there are not three almighty beings;
there is but one almighty being.

†Congregation: Thus, the Father is God,
the Son is God,
the Holy Spirit is God.

Yet there are not three gods;
there is but one God.

Thus, the Father is Lord,
the Son is Lord,
the Holy Spirit is Lord.

Yet there are not three lords;
there is but one Lord.

†All: Just as Christian truth compels us to confess
each person individually as both God and Lord,
so, the true religion forbids us to say
that there are three gods or lords.

Minister: The Father was neither made nor created
nor begotten from anyone.

The Son was neither made nor created;
he was begotten from the Father alone.

The Holy Spirit was neither made nor created nor begotten;
he proceeds from the Father and the Son.

Accordingly, there is one Father, not three fathers;
there is one Son, not three sons;
there is one Holy Spirit, not three holy spirits.

Nothing in this Trinity is before or after,
nothing is greater or smaller;
in their entirety the three persons are coeternal
and coequal with each other.

So, in everything, as was said earlier,
we must worship the Trinity in unity
and the unity in Trinity.

†Congregation: Anyone then who desires to be saved
should think thus about the Trinity.

But it is necessary for eternal salvation
that one also believe in the incarnation
of our Lord Jesus Christ faithfully.

Minister: Now this is the true faith:

±All: That we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ,
God's Son, is both God and man, equally.

He is God from the essence of the Father, begotten before time;
and he is man from the essence of his mother, born in time;
completely God, completely man,
with a rational soul and human flesh;
equal to the Father as regards divinity,
less than the Father as regards humanity.

Although he is God and man,
yet Christ is not two, but one.

He is one, however, not by his divinity being turned into flesh,
but by God's taking humanity to himself.

He is one, certainly not by the blending of his essence,
but by the unity of his person.

For just as one human is both rational soul and flesh,
so too the one Christ is both God and man.

He suffered for our salvation;
he descended to hell;
he arose from the dead;
he ascended to heaven;
he is seated at the Father's right hand;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

At his coming all people will arise bodily
and give an accounting of their own deeds.
Those who have done good will enter eternal life,
and those who have done evil will enter eternal fire.

Minister: This is the catholic faith:
one cannot be saved without believing it firmly and faithfully.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

"My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink...As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me."

(John 6:55, 57)

LORD'S SUPPER PREFACE

COMMUNION HYMN

Next Page - The Church's One

Foundation

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sursum Corda (3rd

Cent.)

Minister: Peace be with you.

†Congregation: **And also, with you!**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

†Congregation: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

†Congregation: **It is good and right for us to give thanks.**

Minister: Let us pray to the Lord.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Luke

22:17-20

And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise, the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."

*THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYER OF APPLICATION

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is His new creation, by water and the word.
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;
with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

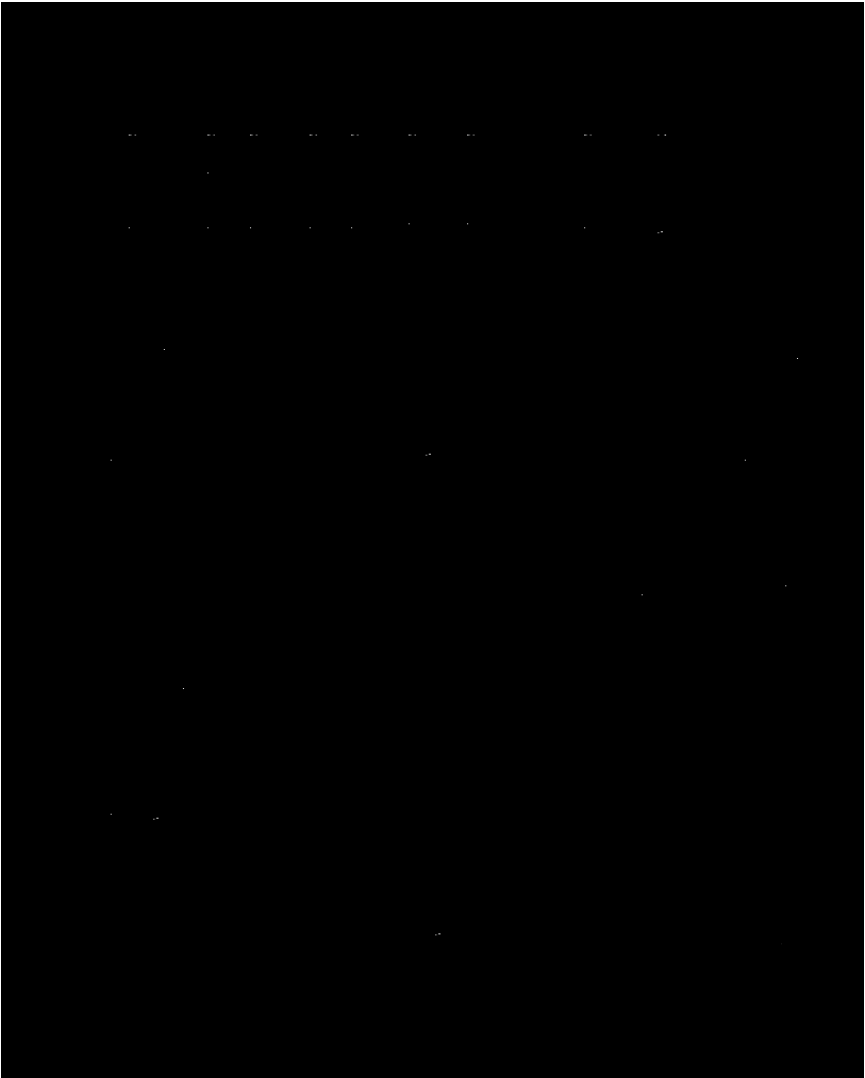
Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,
to guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end;
though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,
against the foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won;
O happy ones and holy! Lord give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.

DOXOLOGY & BENEDICTION

*DOXOLOGY



EXTENDED PRAYER LIST

(PRAYER MEETING BACK ON IN LATE-JULY)

PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH:

For the health of: Jackson Fluegge, Ashley Franzel, Julia Mayes, and Hailee McLeod; expectant mother: Yvonne Krug; for all those who serve as caretakers in our congregation; for those who are ill; and for those who are traveling. **For those living in long-term care facilities:** Pam Belew (Courtney Manor), Bertha McTaggart and Ann Thaut (Meadow Lanes); that our shut-in ministry would be fruitful and that our members who are able, would participate in our shut-in ministry. **For non-attending members:** that God would reveal to them their sin and grant them an understanding of the necessity of public worship and the means of grace; that by his Spirit, he would bring them back to the body of Christ so that they would not forsake the communion of the saints and the public worship on the Lord's Day for his glory and their edification. **For Visitors:** That God would continue to bring in families, couples, and individuals who seek to glorify him, learn the Bible and the Christian Faith, and come to a Reformed understanding of Scripture. Praise for recent visitors and that they would consider membership in our local body of Christ.

For our Families: that husbands would love their wives as Christ loves the Church and that wives would submit to their husbands as the Church submits to Christ. That parents would take seriously their duty to raise and train their children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. That fathers would act like men and bring their families to Church. That parents would bring their children to Sunday School every Lord's Day. That children would obey their parents and show respect to authorities in the home, church, and society. **For our singles:** that they would devote themselves to the Lord and to the ministries of the Church; that God would grant marriage to those who desire it. **For our widows:** that the Lord would provide them support and fellowship through the church; that they would devote themselves to Christ and serve His body. **For our College Students:** Mackenzie Copeland, Regan Hobkirk, and Hailee McLeod; that they would glorify God in their studies; that they would attend a local church on the Lord's Day; and that God would grant them vocational clarity.

For Family Members & Friends of our Church: for the physical and spiritual health of: Linda Dumaw (Bonnie, Judy, and Sharon's friend: barn fire); Tom Fata (Annette Knapp's brother: colon cancer); Virginia Gembarski (Sharon Gisel's sister: Leukemia); Angie Gonzales (chronic pain); Megan Knight and baby (Pastor Scott's sister who is expecting); Libby Hill and Nancy McLeod (Allan McLeod's aunt and sister-in-law);

Marge Mauer (Bonnie Perry's friend: stroke, surgery); Nicole Patterson (Gina's daughter: seizures); Cecil Shuart (friend of the McLeod's); Joe Yang (Pastor Scott's friend from seminary: colon cancer, chemotherapy); Bob Ziel (Kim's father: Courtney Manor, various health concerns).

For all of our ministries: for faithfulness in our ordained officers, the ability to lead and shepherd for the Elders, strength and energy for the Diaconate, wisdom and a view of the Great Commission for Trustees, for our Sunday School program: attendance (especially for children's catechism), Sunday School teachers, and for those who serve in the Missions Committee. That those who participate in these would be blessed as they humbly serve for the glory of God. That these ministries would facilitate growth in the grace and knowledge Christ and be fruitful. That God would raise up and send more faithful men to lead and serve. That we would be faithful in obedience to the Holy Scriptures, the Westminster Standards, and the Book of Church Order. That God would bless our Church with more families, couples, and individuals who desire to glorify God, grow in Christ, and serve in our Church's ministries.

For our worship services: That the Holy Spirit would work through the Ministry of the Word, Sacraments, and prayer for the salvation, sanctification, and preservation of God's people. That through these ordinary means, we would be built up in the faith once and for all delivered to the saints. That we would worship God with all of our heart, mind, soul, and strength. That Christ and him crucified would be preached faithfully, week in and week out. That the gospel would go forth and people would be brought into the local body. That God would send or raise up more musicians and singers to serve him with their gifts. That our giving would increase and be congruent with the blessings that God blessed us with. That we would properly sanctify the Lord's Day and attend to the means of grace. That our members would have a higher view of the Lord's Day and the worship services, and this would be evident in the fruit of their attendance of our morning and evening services.

OUR DENOMINATION

Michiana Covenant, Granger IN – Pastor Peter (Virginia) Wallace, Assoc. Pastor Elliott (Becky) Pinegar - Pray for: a restful and fruitful sabbatical for Dr. Wallace this summer, and a continuation of growth in grace and godliness during his absence. **Praise for:** Those brothers who are scheduled to fill our pulpit this summer. Christ's continued care and kindness in answered prayer and in leading our congregation as the Good Shepherd. **Faith Presbyterian Church, Grandville MI - Pastor Dan (Cassandra) Naulty - Praise** for successful officer nominations and the training of the men nominated. **Pray** for our growth, both spiritually and numerically. **Pray** for five members who are suffering from the death of extended family, though all were believers. **Rev. Paul E. Engle:** Pray for the large percentage of global church leaders who have no biblical/theological training. Pray for my preparation to do upcoming international teaching of pastors. **New City Grand**

Rapids - Rev. DeMyron Haynes (wife Hayley) Praise the Lord for sustaining us over these past few months. We're thankful for the visitors in our worship services and the sweet times of fellowship we've enjoyed as a congregation. Please pray for us as we transition into the slower summer months. Also, pray as we anticipate electing, ordaining, and installing new elders and deacons. Pray for us as we plan for the fall and the various ministry opportunities that come.

COMMUNITY & COUNTRY:

That in our community, we would be faithful witnesses of our Lord Jesus Christ, ready to give a defense of the gospel and the hope that is in us. That we would be lights in a dark place, salt in a flavorless world, a city on a hill. That there would be a need for church planting Reformed Churches in the Thumb; for wisdom, provision, and buy-in regarding the starting a Christian School. That our local, state, and federal civil magistrates would lead, rule, make and enforce laws according to Scripture; that our state and federal laws would protect rather than allow for the destruction of the unborn. That our leaders would bend the knee to Christ and his Rule. For the protection of our armed forces, veterans, law enforcement, doctors, nurses, EMTs and all others serving in dangerous vocations. **That the Church in the United States** would live according to God's Word and for his glory. That Christians would live quiet, godly, and dignified lives, setting an example for non-believers and bringing glory to God. That our lives and good works would bring God glory and direct others to him and his kingdom. That we would "kiss the Son, lest he be angry." That God would raise up leaders who seek to bring him glory as they serve on behalf of the community, county, state, and federal levels. For protection from government overreach and that the right to gather and worship would be protected regardless of the circumstances. That the Church in the United States would grow and thrive from a robust preaching of the Gospel and the whole counsel of God. That God would remove dead branches from the true church as well false churches who teach things contrary to Word of God or preach a false gospel. That he would be glorified in all of this.

OUR MISSIONARIES & THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH:

Pray for all of our missionaries: Jim DeWitt (Latin America), Lynn Hacker (Zambia), the Kawachi's (France), the Nachtergaele's (Belgium), and the Wilsons (Middle East), and the Shupes (Canada). This month, we pray in particular for the Nachtergaele's in Belgium. For our congregation: that we would be missionaries in our own contexts by inviting and bringing our family, friends, and neighbors to participate in the many opportunities for worship, fellowship, and learning that our Church offers. As Jesus said, "Lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest." **For persecuted Christians** throughout the world who are suffering because of the Cross. That they would be faithful witnesses to Jesus Christ and that their persecutors would be

converted through this witness. This month we pray in particular for Christians living in Eastern Africa, especially for Christians in Somalia and Eritrea.

INFORMATION & STATISTICS

THE SESSION

Wayne Copeland	Ruling Elder, Missions
Chris Fluegge	Ruling Elder, Trustee
Scott McDermand	Teaching Elder, Moderator
Jim Philp	Ruling Elder, Clerk, Trustee
Kim Ziel	Ruling Elder

THE DIACONATE

Bob Hobkirk	Board Member, Trustee
Allan McLeod	Board Member
Scott McDermand	Advisory Member, Moderator
Sharon Carpenter	Diaconal Assistant
Dan Clarkson	Diaconal Assistant
Linda Herndon	Diaconal Assistant
Carol Holtrop	Diaconal Assistant
Lori McLeod	Diaconal Assistant
Alex Smith	Diaconal Assistant

CHURCH ATTENDANCE: JUNE 8TH

AM Service	60
AM Livestream	
AM AVG. 2025	65
AM AVG. 2024	64
PM Service	---
PM Livestream	---
PM AVG. 2025	15
PM AVG. 2024	14

GENERAL FUND GIVING

June Giving	\$
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The First Ecumenical Council: The Nicene Creed,
Constantine the Great & the Holy Fathers

