



The Portage Presbyterian Church

September, 2024

"The Church is a people - and we are the Church!"



Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and peace!

A "Return" To Fall Worship Schedule

Beginning Sunday, Sept 1 - Sunday Morning Worship is @ 10:05 a.m.

Last Call for Brats - Hot Dogs - Hamburgers!!!



PPC's Events Committee will be hosting a final "Brat Stand"

@ Festival Foods

on Saturday, September 7 - from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Confirmation This Fall?

Young people who are entering into the 7th grade or older beginning this Fall - are invited to share in the "Confirmation Experience" here @ PPC.

We do not have a "set day" for the classes, as the Confirmation "experiences" (classes) will meet on a day that is agreeable to everyone's schedules.

If you are interested - or would like more information, please contact Pastor Dave!

Upcoming Worship Services

Sunday, Sept 8 - "Traditional" Worship Service - 10:05 a.m.

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Mark 7:24-37

Sunday, Sept 15 - "Informal" Worship Service - 10:05 a.m.

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Mark 8:27-38

Sunday, Sept 22 - "Traditional" Worship Service - 10:05 a.m.

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Mark 9:30-37

Sunday, Sept 29 - "Traditional" Worship Service - 10:05 a.m.

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Mark 9:38-50

Sunday, October 6 - "Traditional" Worship Service - 10:05 a.m.

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Mark 10:2-16

We will share the "Lord's Supper" during the service.

IF you would like to receive the "weekly worship materials" -
the Sunday Worship Bulletin & Children's Bulletin -
by email- please contact Pastor Dave.

Sunday Morning "Video" Volunteers

We are looking for a few more folks to be "trained" to help provide
the "live Sunday morning videos"!!!

If you have questions about doing the video, please contact Pastor Dave or any of
those who have been trained.

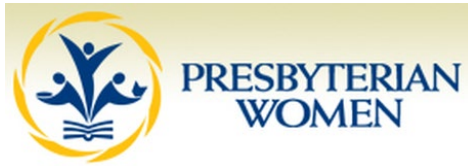
If you would like to be a part of this worship ministry, please contact Pastor Dave.

Sunday Morning "Screen" Volunteers

In addition to our "Livestream" Video opportunities on Sunday mornings, we are also
seeking "volunteers" who may be interested in operating the "projection screens" we
use on Sundays.

You will be "trained" to use the computer which enables the screens to be used.

*If this is something in which you may be interested (or would like more information) -
please contact Pastor Dave.*



The PPC Women's Association will be meeting on Saturday, September 14th - @ Canape Sandwiches - @ 9:00 a.m.! - *note the change in location!*

The John Knox Presbyterian Fall Workshop will be held on Saturday, September 21 - @ the Pioneer Presbyterian Church in Chatfield, MN. *If you are interested in attending, please contact Donna Mohr for more information.*

From the "Deacons"

Just a reminder - all "loose offerings" (*coins and cash*) - on "Communion Sundays" - will be given to the Deacons to help support their ministries to and through this church community.



Upcoming dates for "Stocking Shelves @ the Food Pantry" will be Wednesday, Sept 18 and Wednesday, Sept 25. We usually begin @ 5:00 p.m. Volunteers are always welcome to come and help this community resource provide a necessary program for those in need in our community. Please contact Pastor Dave if you are planning to come and help, in case there is a change in the schedule. *Come and help make a difference in the community!*

Just a reminder - there is a "Little Food Pantry" in front of Westminster Center. Anyone can place items in this box - and we receive donations from PPC folks as well as those from the community..

If you would like to make donations to the "Little Food Pantry" please feel free to provide dry goods and non perishables not affected by the temperature.



New Directions 4-H club is a very active group of young people from the area that meet together to share ideas, work on projects and learn great leadership skills.

The New Directions 4-H club meets @ PPC on the 3rd Sunday of each month, beginning @ 4:00 p.m.

PPC is pleased to be able to support the efforts of 4-H and the New Directions Club by offering a meeting space and support for their good work.

Jen Martens serves as the advisor for the New Directions Club.



All of PPC's Scout Units have had a busy summer!

And there is some "exciting news" about our Scout units coming up!

Be sure to keep the Scouts and their leaders in your prayers!

Important "Information and Activities" Around Portage



"Kwik Trip" Car Wash Cards are still available!

For **\$36.00 / card**, you will receive 5 - yes, that's right - 5 "Ultimate" car washes (normally a cost of \$50.00)

If you would like to purchase a "Kwik Trip Car Wash Card" - contact Pastor Dave.



It is "easy" **to make a "financial" offering** for the work and ministry here @ Portage Presbyterian Church

You may choose to



Mail it to the Church Office

or

Drop it in the "mail slot"



or



Use the "online giving" option on "PPC's Website"

or

scan the "QR Code" which will take you to the "Online Giving" Portal



Your financial support for the work and ministry of God in and through the Portage Presbyterian Church is greatly appreciated!

"Together" - we continue to share God's "Good News" in many ways and YOU are helping to make this possible!



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With "Energy, Intelligence, Imagination and Love"

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Moderator - Pastor Dave Hankins

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Tara Bandekow (2026)

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Jarrett Foster (2025)

Nancy Beasley (2026)

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Kathy Raimer (2026)

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Moderator of Deacons - Peggy Alf-Sechtig

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