



## The Portage Presbyterian Church

June, 2026

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

### 175th Anniversary Communion "Quilt"

#### "Anniversary Quilt" for the Communion Table

*The following information is shared by Judy Taylor, who is working on a special project in celebration of PPC's 175th Anniversary*



I am asking all of the groups in the church to come up with a Bible verse that best represents their group. I will have a "10 inch square" of fabric for each group. When each group picks the verse they like, then get it to me and I will embroider the name of the group and the Bible verse chosen.

When each square is completed, I will bring them in and would like each member of the group to sign their name on the square.

I will also have a "square" for the congregation and will have everyone sign that one. Each "square" will be a different color.

When the "squares" are completed, I will bring it in with the batting and the back fabric.

Anyone who wants to help, we will quilt it together at the church - even if you have never quilted before!

If you do not feel comfortable with "quilting" you can help plan the "set up" of the squares before they are sewn together. There are many things that everyone can do!

God gave us all gifts to use in whatever way we can, young and old.

Remember - this is **"our quilt"** - given to the glory of God - on the 175th year of our congregation.

God bless you all,

*Love, Judy Taylor*

## "Summer" Worship Schedule

Beginning Sunday, June 7 -  
worship will be @ 9:30 a.m. -  
until *Sunday, September 7.*

## From the "Deacons"



This year PPC celebrates with our High School  
Class of 2026.

We extend our "Congratulations" to:

Gracee Ashbrook

Isaac Martens

Bailey Schaller

Oden Rohrbeck

Our "Graduates" will be recognized  
on **Sunday, June 7** -  
during the **9:30 a.m.** worship service.

## Looking For "Ministry Participants"

We are seeking "participants" who would like to participate in important ministry opportunities as we move into the new year.

Some of the opportunities include:

- ✓ Updating the Church Sign
- ✓ Operating the "Screens" for worship
- ✓ Operating the "livestream" video for worship

While these may sound a bit "intimidating" - those who volunteer will be provided a "training time" in preparation.

We are hoping to have enough people that we can "set up a rotation" of folks!

If you have questions - or are interested - please contact Pastor Dave soon!

## Upcoming Worship Services

**Sunday, June 7 - "Traditional" Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.**

The Second Sunday after Pentecost  
*Celebration of the Lord's Supper - "Graduation Sunday"*

**Sunday, June 14 - "Traditional" Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.**

*The Third Sunday after Pentecost*

**Sunday, June 21 - "Informal" Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.**

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, June 28 - "Traditional" Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.**

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

**Sunday, July 5 - "Traditional" Worship Service - 9:30 a.m.**

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost



"Portage Summer Lunch Program for Kids" program begins serving lunches on Monday, June 1. This will be the 12th year of this important program.

And we are looking for "volunteers" who help to make this special program such a success.

Volunteers are needed for the 3 "Park Sites" around the community - Goodyear Park / (near the Splash Pad / Skate Park) - Lincoln Park (near the Food Pantry) - and Sanborn Park.

At each of the "Park Sites" volunteers help to support the food delivery people - and to make connections with the young people and their families. In addition, volunteers help to make sure the "park sites" are clean after the "food service" folks move on to the next site.

**And, the best news** - being a volunteer only takes "approximately" 30-40 minutes.

If you have questions, would like more information OR would like to volunteer, please contact Pastor Dave. Thank you!



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 and Julie McKibben** serve as the advisors for the New Directions Club.



## Scout Activities / Events

Both Cub Pack 70 and Troop 70 are busy planning for their "summer activities."

Day camps - week long summer camp - hikes - cooking - road clean up are among the activities in which the Scouts will be involved.

*We keep the Scouts and the Leaders in our prayers - for a good, fun and safe summer!*

**We celebrate the Scouts, Leaders and the Scout Program here @ PPC!**

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## "Advance" Care Planning Opportunity

On Tuesday, June 23 - @ 6:00 p.m. - @ PPC - you will have an opportunity to hear more about "advance directives" and "advance care planning."

Our "*Financial Work Group*" has put together a "workshop" for those who may like to learn more about

- Living Wills
- Advance Directives
- Power of Attorney for Health Care
- Resources for Power of Attorney for Finance

This "workshop" will take approximately 90 minutes.

*Julie Barge, from Aspirus Hospital, will be facilitating this workshop.*



On Thursday, May 14 - PPC once again provided a "space" for the wonderful "**Creative Arts Festival**."

The "**Creative Arts Festival**" is a wider regional opportunity for young people in the middle elementary age classes to come together for a day to explore the "arts" in a "creative" setting.

This year 94 students and staff from Poynette, Wild Rose, Baraboo, Adams -Friendship, Sauk-Prairie, Rio and Portage participated. Among those participating were PPC's own Jen Martens and Aaron Lelend.

It was a wonderful day of exploring and learning for these young people. And it continues to be a great opportunity for PPC to help support the young people in the area by provide a "space" for them to come together and learn, grow and have fun



## Confirmation "Experience"- This Fall

**YOU** are invited to come and "Experience Confirmation" beginning this Fall.

We are looking to offer a "Confirmation Experience" - for any young people in the 6th grade or older.

Meeting times and days will be determined by the availability of those involved in the "Confirmation Experience."

If you would like to be involved - or if you have questions, *contact Pastor Dave as soon as possible!* Thanks!

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sun	mon	tue	wed	thu	fri	sat	notes
31	1 ACA Meet 4:00	2 Financial Workshop 6:00	3	4	5	6	Scouts meet Sundays Cub Scouts 5:00 Troop 6:00
7 traditional service 9:30	8	9	10	11 Session 6:15 pm	12	13	
14 traditional service 9:30	15	16	17 Food Pantry 4:00	18	19	20	
21 Informal service 9:30	22	23 Advance Directive Workshop 6:00 pm	24 Food Pantry 4:00	25	26	27	
28 traditional service 9:30	29 VBS Fundraiser @ Pizza Ranch 4-8	30	1	2	3	4	