Lectionary for May

May 6: Acts 1:15–17, 21–26; Psalm 1:1-6; 1John 5:9–13; John 17:6–19.

May 13: Acts 10:44–48; Psalm 98:1-9; 1 John 5:1–6; John 15:9–17

May 20: Acts 2:1–21 or Ezekiel 37:1–14; Psalm 104:24–34, 35b; Romans 8:22–27 or Acts 2:1–21; John 15:26–27; 16:4b–15.

May 27: Isaiah 6:1–8; Psalm 29:1-11; Romans 8:12–17; John 3:1–17.

Please keep these folks in your prayers:

Lillian Ueltschi Gail Bender Winnie Bingham Dick Tamm Chuck Kemerer Jim Neumann Marilyn McNalley Charles Severence Diane ODell

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On Pentecost – Wear Red!

We hope that you will wear the color red when you come to worship on Pentecost Sunday, May 20th. It is the day we celebrate the giving of the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Red symbolizes the "tongues of fire" that were seen that day. We read in Acts 2:

"Suddenly there was a noise from the sky which sounded like a strong wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire which spread out and touched each person there. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit."

On May 20th we will receive the Pentecost offering and give thanks for everyone who makes ministry possible here at Second Presbyterian Church.

Mother's Day Flowers

On Mother's Day, May 13th, we'll decorate the sanctuary with flowers in honor or memory of Mothers. You bring the flowers and we'll put Mom's name in the bulletin. Stop into the office to sign up. Take the flowers to your mother after worship

Update on Pastor Neumann

The doctors have determined that Jim has an infection in his heart causing damage to two of his heart valves.

Consequently, he will need to have open heart surgery.

Please keep him in your prayers.

The New Members class that was scheduled for April 15th will be rescheduled when Pastor Neumann returns.

2nd @ Second Adult Education

We are continuing our study of the lectionary through Sunday, May 6. May 6 will be our last 2^{nd} @ Second session until the fall.

Sunday School

The children will be singing in church on Mother's Day, May 13th. We will practice on Sunday, May 6 during their Sunday school time.



We hope the children will be here to practice! The last day of Sunday school will be Sunday, May 20th. Enjoy your summer – remember that God doesn't take a vacation! Come to church and Vacation Bible School!

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon

There will be an appreciation luncheon for Sunday school leaders and their families on Sunday, May 20, following worship. Parents, please sign up to bring a salad for those who have worked this year to educate your children. Teacher, please sign up to let us know how many to plan for. Both signup sheets are in the gathering area. What a treasure our teachers/leaders are!! Thank you all so very much! Hope to see you back again next year!

Youth Events

Sunday, May 6th - Loon's Baseball Game! **Sunday, May 13**th - No PYG - Enjoy the day with all the special women in your lives!

Sunday, May 20th – Last PYG for the school year.10:45 – noon. Join us as we close out the school year.

PYG Loon's Games We will be going to Midland on Sunday, May 6th to catch some baseball action!! We will leave church at 1pm and tickets are \$5 each! We will be sitting in the lawn so please plan on bringing a chair or blanket and any extra money for food or drinks that you need!! Please sign up so we can pre-buy tickets and also be sure we have enough transportation!!

REACH meeting! We will have our next REACH meeting on Sunday, May 6th right after worship. Please bring your Health Insurance card so we can get a copy. We will be discussing details of the trip and gathering information to be ready to go!

ATTENTION CURRENT 5TH GRADERS! If you are (or if a youth that you know is currently in 5th grade, we want to invite you to join us for the last PYG meeting of the school year!! We want you to meet "the gang" and get a feel for what our PYG is all about!! Please join us on Sunday, May 20th from 10:45am to noon and then you are also welcome to attend our summer events!! Our Youth Group is for youth in 6th – 12th grades so you will be able to join us beginning in the fall for all of our events!! Please let DJ or Tammi know if you have any questions.

Graduation Sunday

Mark Sunday, June 3 on your calendar as Graduation Sunday! There will be a breakfast to honor our graduating seniors. We will also award the scholarships during the worship service that morning.

VBS Leader's Orientation

We will be having a VBS orientation meeting on Tuesday, June 5th, at 7:00PM! Sign up to be a VBS leader and come and see what kind of fun we're going to have this summer!



Vacation Bible School

We're "Shipwrecked"!!! Join us June 18 – June 22 from 9:00AM – 11:45AM in a great VBS adventure on a deserted island where our ship got stranded! We are rescued by Jesus! Shipwrecked is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! Sciency-Fun Gizmos, team-building games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life! Plus, you'll meet lots of new friends! God's word comes alive with new meaning for all who participate!

Registration and adult volunteer sign-up has begun!
Registration is open to children ages 4 year old – 6th grade, \$5 per child or \$10 per family. If you need help paying for VBS, please see Peggy. We will need Station Leaders, Crew leaders, a photographer, and many more assistants! There is information available for you to decide where you would like to serve! It will be the best week of your summer! Come sign-up and join us!

One of the ways you can help us is to provide items needed during VBS week! There are is a "message in a bottle" display down the Sunday school wing for you to select an item or items! Please help make this Shipwrecked adventure a reality! Thank you so much!

Items Needed for VBS

Lifesavers mints (2pks singles) 35 glow sticks
12 pool noodles 8 beach towels 12 fake flower leis
1 roll each of red and yellow cellophane 5 beach balls 2
rolls each of blue and clear cellophane 1pkg green paper
plates 12 ping pong balls 8 sheets large foam board 20
toy cars 6 rolls of brown craft paper 140 quart size Ziploc
bags

SAVE: 50 water bottles, 20 empty gallon milk jugs, empty wrapping paper tubes.

Here's a list of items we need to borrow for decoration use only:

If you have any décor that would fit a "Shipwrecked" scene like small boats, buoys, anchors, lifesaver rings, old crates, palm trees, plastic fish, 2 or 3 plastic wading pools, etc., it would be greatly appreciated. Please see Peggy.

It's Time for all Musicians to Eat!! All the wonderful "music makers" of Second Presbyterian are invited to our fabulous spring pot luck! We hope all members of the Chancel Choir, JuBELLation Choir, Strummers and Pluckers, and the Instrumental Ensemble will plan to join us as we celebrate a year of wonderful music. On Wednesday, May 9th, the JuBELLation Choir will rehearse from 5:30 to 6:30. Everyone will gather at 6:30 for dinner, then the Chancel Choir will rehearse immediately following dinner. It's a great opportunity to enjoy terrific food with terrific people so bring your table service and a dish to pass, and join us at 6:30 Wednesday, May 9th. Spouses are always welcome to join us! The more the merrier!

Busy Hands and Hearts

Busy Hands will meet the second Monday, May 7th from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. We would like to welcome anyone interested to come and see for themselves what we are about. You do not need to knit or sew to come! Please come and share with us your ideas so we can create items to share with us your ideas so we create items to share with others in our community. If you have any questions, please call Ruth Anderson (792-0372)

Florence Gilmour Circle

All women of the church are invited to join us on Wednesday, May 9 at 9:30am for study and discussion of the book, *The Grand Weaver* by Ravi Zacharias. We'll look at Chapter 6 this month.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

All men of the church are invited to join us on Saturday, May 5, for breakfast, study and fellowship. We meet at 8:00 a.m. at the church, as we continue our study of the Acts of the Apostles. This month's study begins with Acts 12. Come and join us for breakfast, study and fellowship!

Welcome New Staff

Samantha Engel is joining D.J. and Tammy Sova as Youth Ministry Coordinator.

The Secretary position has been divided into 2 positions:

Ken Morris is the Financial Secretary.

Sonia Hoeppner is the Church Secretary.

Let's give them a warm Second Pres. WELCOME!

Mission News

The Stewardship and Mission Committee of the church wants you to know about opportunities to provide assistance to a variety of missions. You can be involved by donating your time, talent & treasure to a number of worthy missions.

During the Month of May, our Mission Focus will be on Forgotten Man Ministries and the Prisoners in the Saginaw County Jail. In past years, we've collected paperback books for Chaplain Irvin's book cart ministry. However, due to some generous library book sale donations in recent months her cart is full, so we'll be changing the focus of our collection. This year, we're collecting Plain White T-shirts (XXL size only), Plain White Boxer Shorts (XL and Large sizes only), and White Cotton Crew Socks. You see, when a prisoner first enters the jail, their clothes are taken from them and they are given just an orange jumpsuit and a pair of flipflops to wear. Forgotten Man Ministries tries to supply as many prisoners as possible with these basic undergarments in order to help restore a sense of dignity to them. We'll be collecting these items in the main hallway until Sunday, May 27th, but you'll have until the 31st to drop off your last-minute donations."

Here's a Big Presbyterian Thank You to all who donated to the Saginaw Rescue Mission's Operation Hope & Care Totes in February. Your gifts mean so much!

Carpeting of the Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall and many other areas of the church will be done from mid-May to early June. A schedule will be available soon.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 2:00pm Exercise	2	8:30am Prayer Group	4 11:00am Exercise	8:00am Men's Fellowship Breakfast
6 9:30am Worship & Nursery 1:00pm PYG Loon's Game	7 1:00pm-3:00pm Busy Hands and Hearts	8 2:00pm Exercise 7p Committees	9 9:30am Florence Gilmore Circle 5:30pm Choir Potluck Choirs following	8:30am Prayer Group	11:00am Exercise	12
9:30am Worship & Nursery	14	15 2:00pm Exercise	6:00pm Bell Choir 7:00pm Chancel Ch	8:30am Prayer Group	18 11:00am Exercise	19
20 9:30am Worship & Nursery Pentecost Communion PYG10:45-noon Teacher Appreciation	21	2:00pm Exercise 7:00pm Session	23	8:30am Prayer Group	25	26
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