

Sunday, August 23, 2026
Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING PRAYER

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 138)**

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the
gods I sing your praise;

**I give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and
your faithfulness**

On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my
strength of soul.

All the kings of the earth shall praise you,

They shall sing of the ways of the LORD,

for great is the glory of the LORD.

For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly

**The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast
love, O LORD, endures forever.**

OPENING PRAYER

**We gather in the house of the Lord, for You have called us
here. You called us here to be Your people, Your
Children. You called us here with unfailing love We gather
here because You have never failed to answer our call. We
gather here that our praise and worship may return but a
fraction of the love You have shown to us: Our God, Our
Lord, Our perfect parent. A-men.**

***OPENING HYMN** How Firm a Foundation UMH#529

PRAYER OF CONFESSION/ ASSURANCE:

**Oh Lord, You are perfect. Your word is perfect. Your love is
perfect. Your will for me is perfect joy. This I have been taught.
This I know. This You show me every day. But, pride is
powerful and I am weak. I fail to follow Your perfect plan. I
read Your word but convince myself that I know better than the
one who has made me. Humble my heart Lord that I may put
aside my pride and follow You.**

Our Father is not angry nor is He vindictive. He is not merely
waiting with open arms but He hitches up His robes and runs down
the path to wrap the prodigal child in His arms once again. It is not
God nor God's command that stands between us but our own pride.
God sent His Son not just to show us what a sinless life looks like
but that through that Son we could know forgiveness and that
through His Spirit we could overcome pride and sin to find our way
home again. A-men

OFFERING

TESTAMONIAL

DOXOLOGY/PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE As the children come forward,
please sing "Jesus Loves Me" First Verse only UMH#191

JOYS/CONCERNS/PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S
PRAYER

PREPARATORY HYMN And Can It Be UMH#363

SCRIPTURE: John 13:3-10,12-17

SERMON I Won't Make You Wash
Someone's Feet Today

CLOSING HYMN

Pass It On UMH#572

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Please remain seated until after the Postlude. Let
this time center you to **Love Boldly, Serve Joyfully,**
and **Lead Courageously** this week

Sunday, Aug 16th , 2026

Attendance- 77

Tithes, Offerings, & Loose plate: \$1,729.00

CHURCH STAFF

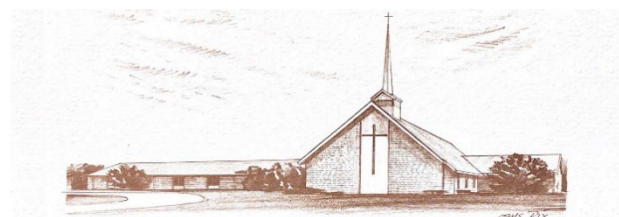
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WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT PORT BYRON FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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United Methodist Church Vision: *The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.*

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