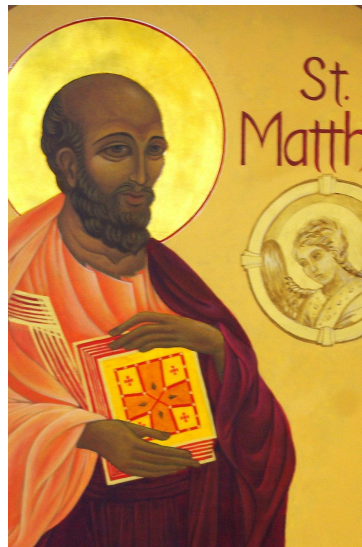


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Christ the King Catholic Church, Ann Arbor, MI

June 7, 2026

Welcome to Firelands Church, a community of believers gathered by the Holy Spirit, growing together in Christ, and committed to serving God. Everyone is encouraged to stay for fellowship following the worship service.

The Order Of The Liturgy

↑ Please stand in body or in spirit ↑

Prelude

*Create in Me a Heart of Love
The Power of the Cross*

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↑ **Call to Worship** *(responsively)*

Lord, open our eyes

And we shall behold Your glory.

Lord, open our ears

And we shall hear Your call.

Lord, open our hearts

And we shall know Your love.

Lord, open our hands,

And we shall show Your generosity.

Lord, open our lives,

And we shall reveal Your glory.

Give us Your peace in Jesus,

And we will live together in peace.

↑ **Hymn 149**

All Hail to God's Anointed (1,2,4)

↓ **Call to Confession:** Have mercy, Christ, have mercy on all that trust in You, for You are God in glory to all eternity.

Prayer of Confession *(together)*

Lord God most merciful,
We confess that we have sinned,
Through our own fault,
And in common with others,
In thought, word and deed,
And through what we have left undone.
We ask to be forgiven.
By the power of Your Spirit
Turn us from evil to good,
Help us to forgive others,
And keep us in Your ways
Of righteousness and love;
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

As far as the east is from the west, that far, and farther, God will cast away our sin.
Hear and believe the good news of the Gospel. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus
Christ, you are forgiven.

Thanks be to God! Amen!

Glory to God - Hymn 585 verse 1 *(together)*

*Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the Highest. Glory to God,
glory to God, glory in the Highest To God be glory forever.
Alleluia, Amen. Alleluia, Amen. Alleluia, Amen.*

Prayer of Illumination *(together)*

Holy Spirit, You carry our prayers to the heart of God. You place our feet on the path of peace. You stir our desire for the Eternal Presence. You open the way to deep truth. Like wind upon the water, like tongues of living fire, come, Holy Spirit, abide with us as we open the Word of God. Amen.

First Lesson: Psalm 50: 7-15 *(responsively)*

⁷ “Hear, O my people, and I will speak;

O Israel, I will testify against you. I am God, your God.

⁸ Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;

your burnt offerings are continually before me.

⁹ I will not accept a bull from your house or goats from your folds.

¹⁰ For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

¹¹ I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine.

¹² “If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine.

¹³ Do I eat the flesh of bulls or drink the blood of goats?

¹⁴ Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High,

¹⁵ and call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”

The Gospel: Matthew 9: 9 - 26

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Sermon: The Call. The Challenge. The Change.

↑ **Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed**

We believe in God above us, maker and sustainer of all life, of sun and moon, of water and earth, of male and female. We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh, born of woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree.

A man of sorrows, he died forsaken. He descended into the earth to the place of death. On the third day he rose from the tomb. He ascended into heaven, to be everywhere present, and his kingdom will come on earth.

We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the Church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, source of resurrection and of eternal life. Amen.

Hymn 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

↓ **Presentation of Our Gifts, Offerings, and Thanksgiving**

↑ **Doxology** - *Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.....*

↓ **Prayers of the Church and 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Communion Invitation

Hear the words of the institution of the Holy Supper of our Lord Jesus Christ: The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest, took bread, and after giving thanks to God, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat. This is my body, broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way he took the cup, saying: "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me." Every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord, until he comes. With thanksgiving, let us offer God our grateful praise.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Supper (*approach the table using the center aisle - return using the side aisles*)

The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ.

The cup of blessing which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ.

Communion Meditation

Fields of Forever

Lawson

Prayer after Communion.

↑ **Hymn 838**

Standing of the Promises (1,3,4)

Charge and Benediction

Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold on to what is good; return no evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

Benediction Response - Hymn 302 verse 5 (together)

*Your Spirit gives us differing ways to serve you well and offer praise.
When all are joined --as one, we'll be --your able, strong community.*

Postlude

Day by Day

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This morning's Call to Worship is from "The Open Gate" by David Adam, p. 16 Hebrides", Esther de Waal, editor

Prayer Concerns

Friends and Family of Paul Moon who died recently; Garrett Holcomb; Bill & Pat Sharp; Gene Bailey; Karla Hoffman; Mason Fenton (improved after brain tumor surgery but loss of vision); Flona & Eric Pott; Karen Dietz; Anne Trombatore; Linda Holcomb's sisters, Lois & Carol; Linda Holcomb's neighbor Matt Wammes; Betty Layton's friend, Sue; Gerry, Dan Barlow and family; Kathy Jerran; Sally Wahlers; Sue Holman; All who travel this weekend.

This Week at Firelands: Office Hours 10am - 2pm, T - Th

Today 6/7	10:30am Worship and Fellowship. Assisting in Worship are Ed Carlson (reader), and Janet and Dave Moore (Communion servers)
Monday	
Tuesday	2:00PM - 3:30pm Mission Committee 3:30pm - 5:00pm Session
Wednesday	10:30am Exploring Our Faith - Rev. Benjamin Weir
Thursday	8:00am Cleaning service
Next Sunday 6/14 Rev. Bob Butcher's 60th Ordination Celebration	10:30am Worship and Fellowship. Lay Liturgist is Mary Caracci. Worship Assistants and Communion servers are David Aber, Bobbi Bella, Bob Butcher, and Matt Meinke, General Presbyter of Maumee Valley Presbytery.

Our church food pantry serves those in need within our community. Kroger food cards and nonperishable food is purchased, packed and delivered to Transitional Housing in Ottawa County monthly. Through this ministry, we provide essential food items such as canned chicken, canned fruit and vegetables, peanut butter, canned soups, pasta, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese, cereal and non refrigerated milk. We also offer personal care items such as toilet paper, soap or shampoo to support everyday needs. Always included are prayers of hope and words of encouragement so every recipient knows Firelands Presbyterian Church cares deeply for them and they are not alone. Debbie Flora