



First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth

SEPTEMBER 2021

Taymouth Tidings

WELCOME!

Sunday Worship—9:30am

Rev. John Scott Kroener, Pastor

Sarah Schriber— Secretary, Heidi Smith— Music Director

Christine Callender-Clerk of Session, Carolyn Weston-Treasurer

Dawn Patrick—Financial Secretary and Christian Education Director

Floyd Roebuck-Youth Director, Paul Fortier-Custodian

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OUR VISION

Coming together and growing as a community of believers, glorifying and always being refined by God, reaching out in grace and love to the world.

OUR MISSION

FPCT is a community of grace and love in which each person's gifts, talents, and skills are welcomed and valued. We are a household of faith, a people gathered together to worship God, proclaim God's salvation, and to experience an eternal relationship with God.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Please call the church with any concerns or prayers. The office hours are Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

We are here for you!

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Membership with First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth is for anyone who acknowledges Jesus Christ as their Lord and accepts him as their Savior. An invitation to join with us is cordially extended to any person who wishes to join us in glorifying God and building friendships with other followers of Christ.

Please contact Pastor Scott for more information.

BULLETINS

For those watching from home, weekly bulletins are available on our website at taymouthchurch.com.

Call the church office for assistance or more information.

Prayer Circle



SEPTEMBER 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5 Livestream & In-Person Service w/Communion 9:30 a.m. 10:30 Worship Committee	6 LABOR DAY	7 B&G 7:00 p.m.	8	9	10	11
12 Livestream & In-Person Service 9:30 a.m. 10:30 Missions' Boxed Lunch Auction KICK OFF SUNDAY	13	14 7:00 p.m. Session Meets	15	16	17	18 Quilt Show 10 a.m. -2 p.m.
19 Livestream & In-Person Service 9:30 a.m.	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Livestream & In-Person Service 9:30 a.m.	27	28	29	30 Rummage Sale 9 a.m. -7 p.m.	1 Rummage Sale 9 a.m. -5 p.m.	2



HUGE COMMUNITY RUMMAGE SALE

First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth
12517 Morseville Rd., Birch Run
5 Miles West of Birch Run and Half Mile South of the Taymouth Fire Hall

Thursday Sept. 30th | **Friday October 1st**
9 am - 7 pm | **9 am - 5 pm**

KITCHEN ITEMS DECORATIVE ITEMS CLOTHING OF ELECTRONICS
SHOES PURSES... LINENS ALL KINDS BOOKS

YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT YOU MIGHT FIND!

Donations accepted from September 26th through the 29th
*No items before the 26th please.

DAYCARE AT CHRIST LUTHERAN


The Day Care Center is open for business! The LTLS provides care for children birth to age 12; they're open from 6 a.m.-6 p.m. M-F. . They are still accepting applications for the program. If you or someone you know is interested you can call (989)443-3144.

COFFEE HOUR'S RETURN

Thank you to Jim and Cindy Maher for being our coffee hour hosts in August!

We're still looking for our September volunteers. If interested please see the sign up sheet on the table downstairs.

Thank you to everyone who signs up to help make our coffee hours happen!



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CAMP OUT

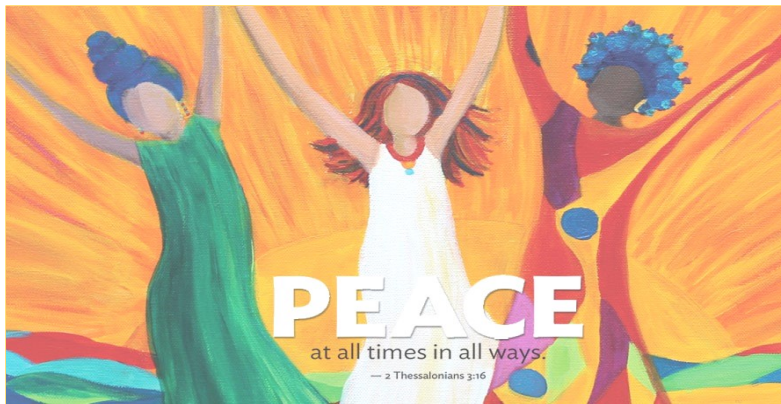
FAMILY ACTIVITIES | DRIVE-IN MOVIE | POTLUCK

8 OCTOBER

6:30 P.M.



All are welcome for this night of fun in the great outdoors.
Join us for the bonfire, potluck, movies, popcorn, and more!
Bring a chair and a dish to pass!



September is Peace Offering Month

Peace Offering goes to:

25% to our congregations mission
25% to our mid-council's efforts
50% to Presbyterian global efforts

Our portion of this year's Peace offering is going to the Underground Railroad in Saginaw. The Underground Railroad is an Emergency Women and Children's shelter for survivors of domestic violence, stalking, sexual assault, and human trafficking. Their mission is to empower survivors, and create a culture of safety and respect in our community.

25% goes to mid-councils to support peacemaking efforts. Such as helping communities to address the growing mental health crises.

50% goes to the Presbyterian Mission Agency to join peacemaking efforts of church partners all over the globe. Such as assisting church partners in Lebanon recover emotionally from trauma after a bombing in Beirut.

We are the peacemakers. We are the Church, Together.

QUILT SHOW UPDATE!

Please turn in your raffle tickets and money by September 12, 2021.

Show set-up is Thursday, Sept 16th at 2:00 p.m.

Please have your quilt to the church on the 16th of September.

With your quilt please include:

- Your first and last name
- Your church's name
- Who made the quilt (are they a friend or a relative)?
- The block name (if known)
- How old is the quilt (approximately)?

Please type all of this information and attach it to your quilt.

**YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO PICK UP YOUR
QUILT AFTER THE SHOW.**

Thank you for all your help to make this show a success! If you have any questions just call me.

Holly ☺

KICK OFF SUNDAY

September 12th

Sunday School Kick off

Missions' Boxed Lunch Auction



Interested in Choir?

Contact Heidi Smith for more
information at 989.397.7623

HOSTED BY
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF TAYMOUTH

QUILT SHOW

SATURDAY, SEPT. 18TH | 10AM- 2PM

Showcasing Quilters from Christ Lutheran Church, Ss. Francis and Clare Catholic Parish, Taymouth Presbyterian Church, Birch Run United Methodist, and Burt Methodist Church

**FEATURING
BUSINESSES**

Frankenmuth Area Barn Quilts
Front Porch Quilt Shop of Frankenmuth
Quilts of Valor
Quilts for Kids

QUILT SHOW RAFFLE

1st Place: A Homemade Quilt
2nd Place: 2x2 Painted Barn Quilt Block
3rd Place: \$25 Gift Card for the Front Porch Quilt Shop in Frankenmuth

**RAFFLE TICKETS ARE \$1
OR SIX FOR \$5**

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REACH UP

REACH OUT

TO REACH ALL

"RUMMAGE RUMBLE"

Let's rumble with our rummage and find happiness. I have to confess I don't find happiness rumbling through my rummage. With that being said, I truly don't like to look at the reality of needing to sort and let things go. Quite frankly, it is difficult, it is hard, and it is painful.

When I heard the song, "Let It Go! Let It Go!" from Walt Disney's animated musical movie, "FROZEN," I could relate to the movement and impact of the need to let things go whether it be of an emotional need or a material object because I find both intertwined with one another.

Being a collector of many objects from heavy rocks to delicate wooden acoustic musical instruments, from primitive wood carvings to bright tree bark paintings, from sticky stamps to lustrous coins, from cast iron cooking utensils to fine cut glass crystal; I like it all. You name the object and I most likely collect it in one form or another. I am wired as a collector of things, and many things at that.

So, I need to find courage to let things go. I find my source of courage by humming and singing the song, "Let It Go! Let It Go!" from "FROZEN." I find it actually works. From my numerous and countless attempts to hum and sing this "liturgical rummage song" I discover it motivates me to clear the clutter from my desk. If you don't believe me, you ought to come and visit my office and see my desk. Believe it or not, I cleared it. It is clean and neat. Now, ask me, how long did it take to clear off my desk? I am glad you ask. It took me 4 ½ years. That's right! 4 ½ years. Now my challenge is to confront the remaining parts of my office.

Another insight in doing the impossible, clearing off my desk, was to engage my brain—my thoughts—to rationalize and convince me to find happiness and joy is to let things go.

Three insightful sayings which help in rumbling through my rummage and let go are:

"The joy is not always in getting what we want but in letting go of what we don't need." (James Hewet)

"Happiness is not found in things you possess, but in what you have the courage to release." (Nathaniel Hawthorne)

"...go and sell all...and come and follow Me." (Jesus Christ, Mark 10:21)

All three quotes motivate me. Of course, the last quote inspires me comes from the story of "The Rich Young Man" (Mark 10:17-31). This story gets me all the time knowing our ultimate Christian call and priority is to follow Jesus and experience Him by picking up our cross and letting our possessions go, "Let It Go! Let It Go!"

Blessed are those who let things go. Blessed are those who struggle to find joy and happiness by rumbling through their rummage. Blessed are those who have the courage to answer the call to follow Jesus without the hesitation to go and sell all to experience Jesus and the way of the cross.

Happy are those who can call on Jesus Christ to clear the clutter from all aspects of their lives.

Let us go forth and rumble through all our physical, mental and spiritual rummage and clear the clutter away.

Shalom,
Pastor Scott

NEWS FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

SESSION MEETING: AUG. 10TH, 2021

The following items were discussed and approved at August's Session meeting:

Andy and Terri Rudzitis hosting church rummage sale. September 30 - October 1, 2021. Sign up sheets downstairs.

Received Thank You note from Zoe Mahar for her graduation gift.

Dinner Committee is providing food for the church's Car, Tractor, and Truck Show.

Men's Club will host movie night, tentative date 10/8/2021. Game night will be returning in November.

Building and Grounds Committee waiting on Consumers Energy to send necessary paperwork to bury manse's electric cable underground. Fence is down in front of the church. Waiting on Duane Jones to dig new drains before a new fence is put up.

Funeral Committee decided to provide dessert and beverages only due to manpower issues. A hospitality group will be needed for funerals and memorials to guide visitors.

Coffee and Fellowship Hour has returned. Coffee hosts will be needed. Donuts will be provided whether or not there is a coffee host or hostess.

Social Media and Communication Outreach Committee Chair, Christine Callender, and Financial Secretary, Dawn Patrick, will be working together obtaining the necessary information and sharing with Presbytery our church's social media communication goals in order to receive the remaining Presbytery's grant funds.

Holy Communion will continue as traditional, however there will be the individual disposable Communion cups available for pickup at the beginning of church if you prefer.

Communion servers will be asked to wear mask while serving Communion being in September. Passed 9 yes, 1 no, 2 unable to vote as excused from meeting.

NEXT SESSION MEETING:
SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2021, AT 7 P.M.

Christine Callender, Clerk of Session

For a complete list of all items discussed at the Session meeting, please contact the church office or the Clerk of Session.



MISSION COMMITTEE

The Saginaw County Rescue Mission was so pleased to receive our donations for the Hope & Care bags. Again, we thank you for your response. Perhaps we will call on you again.

Your generosity though the month of August to the loose offerings will go to Youth Haven in Rives Junction, Michigan. Remember August 30th is the last day to support this great mission formally supported by the PW. Missions will also be adding funds to the collection.

Bring your \$\$\$\$ on September 12th as it is Kick-Off Sunday as well as the "Boxed Lunch" auction. There will be eight lunches, each will serve a full meal for four persons.

From September 3rd to October 3rd we will be collecting our Peace Offering. The Committee will be deciding the recipient on Aug 22, 2021 as we found it necessary to change from our original choice.

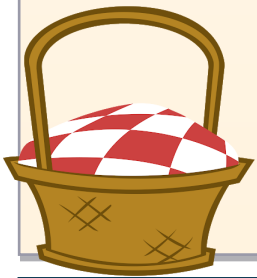
November is the month we fill the "Shoe Boxes" to be delivered to various agencies in the Saginaw area. Have you started to collect personal items (brushes, lotions, perfume, scarves, necklace, pocket calendar, etc. Lists will accompany each shoe box and each shoebox is unique. Each box is received so well by the individual.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS — As we look forward to December 18th and the Cookie Walk and Mission Marketplace, now is the time to get started on your donated items for sale and the Auction on December 19th. We are so blessed to have Jim Peters and Scott Peters as our Auctioneers.

As always, Food Pantry items are needed. Can you help?

Any questions please call (989) 751-2371.

BLESSINGS,
JANETTE GONZALES
CHAIRPERSON



BIBLE STUDY TRIVIA GENESIS EDITION

1. In what order did God create these things? (1: 3-31)
___ sky ___ plants ___ fish ___ man ___ light ___ stars
2. From what did God create the first man? (2:7)
3. Why was Adam put in the Garden? (2:15)
4. God said, "It is not good that man is _____," (2:18)
5. What was to happen if fruit of the forbidden tree was eaten?(2:17)
6. What three things did Eve consider of the forbidden tree? (3:6)
7. What is the punishment for man because they ate the fruit?(3:17)
8. What guards the Garden after Adam and Eve were driven out? (3:24)

**ALL ANSWERS CAN BE FOUND IN THE
FIRST THREE BOOKS OF GENESIS**

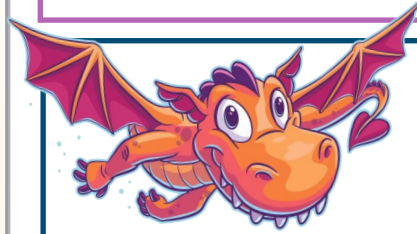
SUNDAY SHEPHERD & USHERS

In order to make each Sunday's worship a wonderful experience for all. We are in need of volunteers for ushering and Sunday Shepherd duty.

Ushers pass out bulletins, collect the offering, get to ring the church bell, and light the alter candles.

The Sunday Shepherd oversees and monitors the safety of our congregation, and is responsible to call 911 in case of an emergency.

**If you are interested in volunteering at all, please see
Dennis Neahusan for September.**



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Vacation Bible School was a huge success! Fire-bal, Sparky, and about 30 young people joined in the fun. Thank you to Ss. Frances and Clare Catholic Church for a wonderful job in hosting. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, Pastor's, youth group members, and friends for all the help! Thank you to Meijer, Schwans, Goal Post, and everyone that donated money or snacks. We played, learned, crafted, sang, danced, and made new friends. Thank you all!

Kick-off is on Sunday, September 12! Sunday School will start learning all about the Armor of God. Bible presentation will take place as well as noisy offering. See you at Kick-off!

God Bless,
Dawn Patrick
CE Director



BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to mow, and everyone who has been tending to our flower beds! Everything looks gorgeous!

If anyone would like to sign up to help please contact
Gary Brabant or see the church office door.

Feel Like Volunteering?

We're in need of volunteers for a few upcoming events.

MEMORIAL VOLUNTEER(may take one or both roles)

Refreshments: prepare and serve beverages and dessert for guests attending.

Greeter: Act as a guide/usher for guests

Contact church office for more information (989) 624-9473

RUMMAGE SALE (many opportunities to help as able)

Set-Up: Help with set up as items come in

During: Sort out items, and assist guests.

Take-Down: Happening on the Sunday after, just after coffee hour.

Contact Andy or Terri Rudzitis for more info (989)798-4733

CAMP-OUT AND MOVIE NIGHT (join in as able)

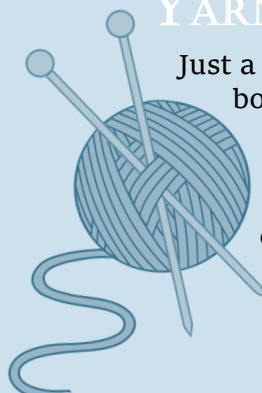
Set-Up: We'll need firewood, help building the campfire, tables set up, etc.

Food Preparation: Hot dogs and buns will be provided and we'll need someone to help grill. Bring a potluck dish.

Contact Floyd Roebuck for more info (989)624-4635



YARN AND THREAD



Just a reminder about the cupboard in the Fellowship Hall. There are beautiful prayer shawls and lap robes. Share a joy or extend comfort to a loved one. These are for you to take.

Holly



National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) is a confidential support group for loved ones of individuals living with mental illness.

Through the NAMI Family Support Group, you can find hope and support by connecting with others who face similar challenges. You will gain support from peers who understand your experiences as well as insight into the challenges and successes of others.

Monthly meetings are on the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the Frankenmuth United Methodist Church for Saginaw County, and on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month at 7p.m. for Genesee County.

For more information, call (810) 232-6498 or email: namigenesee@gmail.com.



Stewardship

Dear Church Family and Friends!

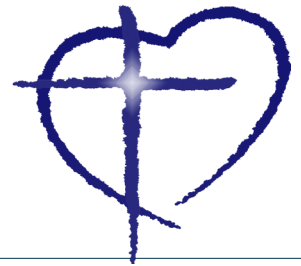
We are into the sixth scripture that the Presbyterian Foundation has selected to encourage congregations through this time. The scriptures help us to reflect on stewardship, generosity and gratitude. Each newsletter, we will highlight a new scripture.

From Proverbs 3:5-9 *“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord and shun evil. This will bring health to your body and nourishment to your bones. Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops..”*

Proverbs offers a lot of one-liners that can be used to reflect on our call to stewardship and generosity. They could even be used as a basis for a stewardship campaign. It is helpful to see it in the larger context as well, not only is this a call to give generously from our first fruits, it is a reminder to trust in God, follow God, and seek God’s wisdom. All of these are forms of stewardship and all are deserving of our attention and reflection, even as we seek to inspire generous financial giving.

God bless!

Dawn Patrick, Financial Secretary



ADOPT-A-BILL

BY THE NUMBERS

“Adopt-a-bill” is a new idea that is pretty simple and just like the title, you can help with church expenses by selecting a particular expense to “adopt”. The bill can be adopted for a 1 month, 3 month, 6 month, or longer period of time.

Water	\$250
Electric (Summer Rate)	Church \$600
	Manse \$170
Elevator Maintenance	\$174 *paid quarterly*
Phone/Internet	\$224
Waste	\$95
Printer	\$152
Mortgage	\$341

all numbers are approximated and subject to fluctuation

When you adopt-a-bill, you will receive credit on your giving statements. Please call the church office at 989-624-9473 when you are ready to adopt.

Thank you to all that have already participated!

COMMUNITY RESOURCES

PERSONAL AND HOUSEHOLD ITEM ASSISTANCE

Sarah’s Closet: Our mission provides adult clothing for men and women! Clothing items include: shoes, socks, dresses, pants, shirts, coats, and undergarments. Call the Birch Run United Methodist Church at (989) 624-9340 for hours of operation. 12265 Church St, Birch Run.

Emmaus House of Saginaw: Provides a free thrift store. Items include: clothing, household items, linens, towels, toys, shoes, furniture, and some appliances. All items were donated, and donations accepted. Open Mon. -Sat. 9:30a.m. -3:30p.m. 733 South 14th St. Saginaw MI 48601

BABY SUPPLIES

Baby Pantry: Christ Lutheran Church of Birch Run, located at 8101 Poellet St, is host to the local Baby Pantry. Call the church office at (989) 624-9378 for hours of operation.

Can Council Great Lakes Bay Region: Provides diapers to families in need for Saginaw and Bay County Residents. Call (989) 752-7226 for contact free pick up. 1311 North Michigan Ave. Saginaw MI 48602

FOOD PANTRIES

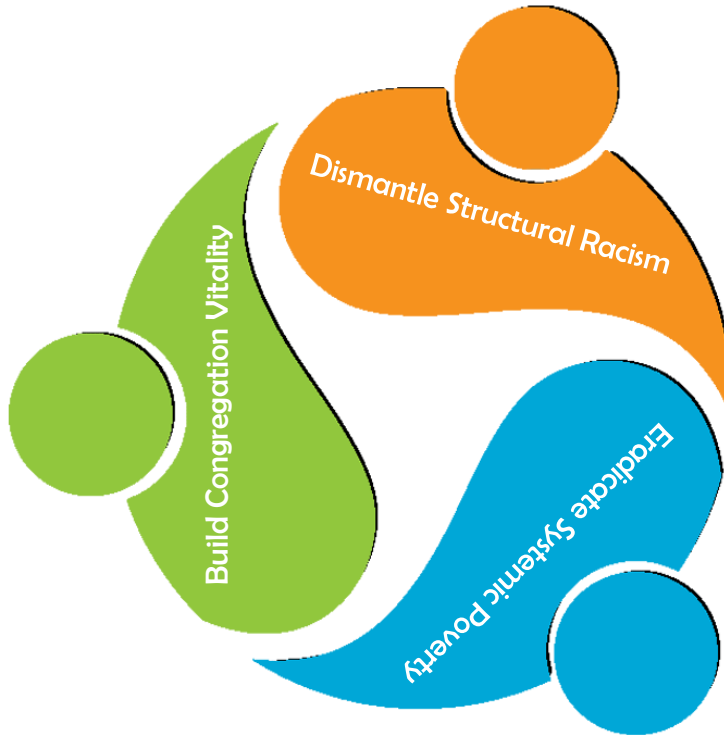
Ss. Francis & Clare Catholic Church: is host to a Community Food Pantry. Hours are, Mon. 9:00-11:30 am, Wed. 1:00-3:00 pm, or by appointment. (989) 624-9098 12157 Church St., Birch Run.

Sweet Pea’s Pantry: hosts food distribution on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month from 9-11a.m. 108 W. State St., Montrose. Located in the back of the Strong Inspirations Building. (810)350-2254 sweetpeapantry.org

Old Town Christina Outreach Center: hosts food distribution every Saturday from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. or when food runs out. 600 Gratiot Ave. Saginaw, MI 48602 (989)249-8696

Please visit fbem.org for more food pantry locations.





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