



First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth

NOVEMBER 2022

Taymouth Tidings

WELCOME!

Sunday Worship Service—9:30am

Rev. John Scott Kroener, Pastor

Christine Callender-Clerk of Session, Janette Gonzales-Treasurer

Heidi Smith— Music Director, Dawn Patrick- Administrative &

Financial Secretary , Christian Education Director

Ken Maurer-Custodian, Floyd Roebuck-Youth Director

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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!

WORSHIP SERVICES
LIVE STREAM TO FACEBOOK AT
9:30 A.M. EVERY SUNDAY

For those watching from home, bulletins are available at taymouthchurch.com.

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.

Prayer Circle



To activate the church's prayer circle please call Cindy Rabe (989) 624-9274.

Prayer requests are conveyed by telephone.

NEW ADDRESS: CORRECTION

Holly Wendzik 180 S. Colony Drive, Saginaw, Mi 48638

First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

COME OUT AND PLAY THE GAMES YOU KNOW AND LOVE!
LEARN NEW GAMES AND MEET NEW PEOPLE!

BRING YOUR FAVORITES GAMES AND SNACK FOOD TO SHARE

November 18, Friday
FROM 7:00 - 9:00 PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 7:00pm Building and Grounds All Saints Day	2	3	4 PASTOR RETURNS FROM VACATION	5
6 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10:30 a.m. Worship Meeting 11:00 a.m. Member Care Card Making Daylight saving time ends 22nd Sunday after Pentecost	7	8 7:00 pm Session	9	10	11	12
13 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 23rd Sunday after Pentecost	14	15	16 6:30pm <i>Thankful Potluck</i>	17	18 7:00p-9:00p Game Night	19
20 9:30 am. Worship Service- with Puppet Presentation 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time Christ the King Sunday	21	22 6:00pm Soup Sup. 7:00 pm Service at Catholic Church in Birch Run	23	24 OFFICE CLOSED 	25	26
27 9:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 1st Sunday of Advent	28	29	30	<h1>NOVEMBER</h1>		

Emergency Notifications

Session has implemented a "Call List" from the Church Directory in the event of cancellations. Each Session member will be calling from their list at the direction of the Pastor. Also, church event cancellations will appear on our local news channels – WNEM TV5, NBC25, and FOX66.

MEMBER CARE

Lynn Bradfield from Region VII, supplied us with great information on October 12. Twenty people attended. If you were unable to attend, we have contact numbers for resources.

Do you know how to use a glue stick? Can you cut on the line? Do you need some women bonding? If you answered yes to any of these questions, come help make Christmas Cards! Card making is on November 6 following fellowship hour. No experience needed and all supplies are furnished. These cards are sent to the VA Hospital in Saginaw.

Thank you all for supporting Member Care!

Holly



“Thanks”

“Thanks” may be the most valuable word in any language. When Mark Twain was at the peak of his career, his writing was valued at \$5.00 per word. Some prankster wrote Mark Twain a letter stating, “Dear Mr. Twain: Enclosed is \$5.00. Please send me your best word.” Shortly, a reply came. It read simply, “Thanks.”

The holidays are upon us. The holiday season begins in many ways with Thanksgiving and continues until Epiphany. Each aspect of the holidays begins with a thankful heart. I am thankful for this nation. I am thankful for our Lord God who redeems and saves us in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ. I am thankful for my life and wife. I am thankful for family and friends. I am thankful for having the opportunity to serve the First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth. I am thankful for being blessed by all the people who read our church’s newsletter. I am truly thankful for what our church has done in its mission giving and community outreach towards the different charities throughout the year.

There are many things to be thankful for, but it is a thankful heart which enables us to give. Charity begins with a thankful heart towards God. It resides in the joy of giving. I was reading the other day a passage of Scripture from the Apostle Paul’s Second Letter to the Corinthians (9:6-15), and it describes Paul’s appeal for the Church at Corinth to give to their fellow Christians residing in Jerusalem. I must say it is an insightful chapter telling us Christians to give and don’t hold back, because charitable giving will produce thanksgiving: “You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God.” (II Cor. 9:11-12).

“Thanksgiving to God” becomes our spiritual story telling us God is the true source of the benefit of charitable giving. It is God who gives to those in need through our hands. God enables us to deliver the goods. Following Jesus’ approach in ministry, we create a “Thanksgiving to God” using our gifts and talents. We are God’s thankful servants expressing, “Thanks.”

“Thanks” is a valuable word. The journalist and writer, Samuel Clements (a.k.a. Mark Twain) teaches great value in words when it comes to learning about ourselves and God. He once said, “Most people are bothered by those passages in Scripture which they cannot understand; but as for me, I always notice that the passages in Scripture which trouble me most are those which I do understand.”

Shalom, Pastor Scott



NEWS FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Christine Callender, Clerk of Session

The following items were discussed and approved at October's Session meeting.

Received letter from Glen & Erma Tanner. They will not be able to host the putt-putt golf outing they wanted to as they have too many health issues to continue with the plan.

Next Presbytery meeting is December 6, 2022, at Bay City Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Thankfulness Potluck planned for November 16, 2022, at 630pm. See Sign up. Dinner Committee will provide the meat.

Dinner Committee will host a Spaghetti/Lasagna Dinner on January 18, 2023. It will be open to the community. Details to come.

Nominating Committee will be meeting in November TBD.

Car Show profit \$850.52. Money going towards Sound System.

Rummage Sale Profit \$2,917.84. Money going to Building and Grounds to cover upcoming bills.

Building and Grounds moving forward with Chimney repair. Final amount of fencing was \$700.00. HVAC recommended that all doors stay open in the sanctuary for heat/air flow. Boiler maintenance complete, invoiced at \$1,186.00.

Finance meeting October 12, 2022 at 6:15 pm.

Emergency and preparation response planning committee has reviewed and accepted the updates made to the plan with minor corrections.

Personnel will be meeting with the Staff over the next few Sundays to do end of year reviews.

Carolyn Weston looking into Bus trip to Snover. The cost would be \$30 per person this year.

Carolyn Weston has been doing Meal trains for those who need assistance after surgery and other events. Meals are usually delivered every other day. If you'd like to help out, you can contact Carolyn and she can add you to her list of helpers. If you know someone or a family that may need this service. Please reach out to Carolyn to see if they qualify. Thank You Carolyn for providing this wonderful service to our Congregation.

Next meeting November 8, 2022.

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

PASTOR SCOTT'S VACATION

OCTOBER 21– NOVEMBER 3

The Rev. Sue Trinklein, of the Christ Lutheran Church, Birch Run, will provide emergency pastoral care coverage for the church while Pastor Scott is on vacation.

PASTOR SUE'S CELL-PHONE NUMBER IS (989) 928-6845.

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Thank you to everyone who helped with lawn mowing and caring for the flower beds. You should notice the summer flower beds are cleaned out and the large bushes by the east entrance of the church have disappeared (or will shortly).

As the fall weather settles into our area, we will be winterizing the lawn equipment, removing a/c units from the church windows, and preparing for other colder-weather activities.

Our HVAC experts recommend we keep all the doors to the sanctuary and hallways open during the winter season to help with airflow and efficiency of the furnace. This is a big change to what we are used to doing; there will be announcements in the bulletins and newsletters to help everyone get used to this change.

Kerry Prout
2022 Chair

MISSIONS

Once again Taymouth Presbyterian Church will be participating in Shoeboxes for Saginaw. This is our 11th year of helping women. Last year 35 boxes were filled by the women in our church and were given to women in the Saginaw community who may not be as fortunate as we are, are unemployed, or may be experiencing difficulty in their life and find they are lonely or hurting from life's challenges. Some of the agencies that receive the shoeboxes are: The Salvation Army, Emmaus House, East Side Soup Kitchen, McNally House, Ascension House (Emerson House), Rescue Mission, Underground Railroad and many others.

PLEASE NOTE: THE TOPS OF THE BOXES NEED TO CLOSE. YOU ARE ALL SO GENEROUS WITH LOTS OF WONDERFUL ITEMS, BUT WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO CLOSE THE BOX AND WRAP IT.

What you pack into your shoebox can be as unique as you are but please make sure the items are NEW and have some gift appeal to them. NO PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS. AVOID BULKY ITEMS SUCH AS SHAWLS OR TOWELS. Here is a list that will help you. Do Not feel that you have to provide all of these items. Some suggestions for the shoebox: full size bottle of shampoo, brush, comb, toothbrush & paste, deodorant, nail file, perfume, lotion, watch, small notebook & pen, book, hat, gloves, socks, non-perishable candy, small sewing kit, calendar, Kleenex, coin purse, bracelet, scarf.

The deadline for shoeboxes will be Nov. 27th. Do not wrap the box. Mission Committee will do the wrapping.

If you have any questions, contact Kathy Rogers at (989) 624-5700 or klrog2001@yahoo.com.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Please check out our new Prayer wall on the bulletin board at the East Church entrance. The Sunday School children will be checking weekly to pray for any special requests you may have.

The Fall Festival will take place at the Montrose Orchards on Sunday, October 30, at 3:45pm. This outing includes, a hay ride, bon-fire, donuts, cider, and a pumpkin to take home. Then on Monday, October 31, at 5:30pm, we will be hosting a Trunk-or-Treat for the neighborhood trick-or-treaters. All are welcome!

Please join us for a Puppet Presentation on Sunday, November 20, during the worship service. Our youth will be helping with the performance. Firebal and Sparky are so excited for their friends (furry and non-furry) to come and visit on this day!

God Bless, Dawn Patrick, CE Director



We give Thanks to you!

Join us for a **Thankful Potluck**

Wednesday, November 16
6:30pm, Fellowship hall.
Meat Provided.
Please see sign-up sheet
for a dish to pass.

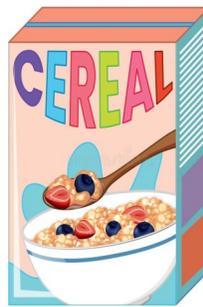
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Brown Bag Bingo at the Potluck!

Bring a dollar gift in a paper bag to the potluck on November 16. Besides great food, this "Thankful" game will be a highlight of the night!



FOOD PANTRY



Ss. Francis and Clare Food Pantry needs your help! They would appreciate donations of Cereal and Cooking oils.



THANKSGIVING BASKETS

SS. Francis and Clare Catholic Church will be distributing Food Baskets on Monday, November 21st. If you know of someone who could use a basket, please contact the Catholic Church at 989-624-9098. You will need to provide a name and phone number of the recipient before Monday, November 14.



THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL CHOIR

You are welcome to with the choir at the service on Tuesday, November 22 at the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Chuck Bomba at 989-624-9098.



Thanksgiving
ECUMENICAL GATHERING
SS. FRANCIS AND CLARE PARISH
12157 CHURCH ST., BIRCH RUN, MI
(989) 624-9098

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND
SOUP SUPPER AT 6:00 P.M.
SERVICE AT 7:00 P.M.

THANKFUL TOGETHER IN SONG AND PRAISE WITH Ss. FRANCIS AND CLARE CATHOLIC CHURCH, FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF TAYMOUTH, BIRCH RUN AND BURT UNITED METHODIST AND THE CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH OF BIRCH RUN.

LET EVERYTHING THAT HAS BREATH PRAISE THE LORD
- PSALM 150:6 -

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CAR SHOW UPDATE

Our 2nd Annual Car, Truck, and Tractor Show was held on September 24. A misty morning led to a few less car entries than last year. Twisted Burger and Kona Ice food trucks were new this year. Also new was the vendor Marketplace and 50/50 drawing. Winners of the vehicle voting received a trophy and a Tervis tumbler with church pictures on it! First Place was Ashton Grabowski, 1949 Cadillac. Second Place was Chuck Fox, 1954 Chevy Truck. Third Place was Ken Rogner, 1983 GMC Truck. A profit of \$850.52 was made and allotted to the sound system upgrade. Well done everyone and Thank you! Carolyn Weston

RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE

Again this year the Rummage Sale was a success! We made \$2,917.84. Thank you to everyone who helped and donated your treasures. Special thanks to Jim and Cindy Maher, Bonnie Pratt, Kay Blessing, and Carolyn Stolz for being there from start to finish and all the other helpers who made it possible!

Thank you again!
Terri and Andy Rudzitis



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

PERSONAL AND HOUSEHOLD ITEM ASSISTANCE

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.

Birch Run Taymouth CARE Program: is part of the Community Education at (989) 624-6229

STEWARDSHIP

Dear Church Family and Friends!

Did you know? So many of you have contributed towards our septic repair and we are very thankful! Your generosity has been an answer to prayer!

We are fast approaching the end of the budget year for Church finances and I would like to remind you about Per Capita. This is a responsibility as members of the Presbytery, that the Church pays into every year. Each member cost is \$29.00 for 2022. Out total due to Presbytery is \$3219.00. We have received \$2,472. If you have already contributed your per capita-thank you! If you have not had a chance yet, you still have time and we would appreciate any help. I can answer questions you may have regarding the finances of our Church.

Dawn Patrick, Financial Secretary

QUARTERLY GENERAL FUND BUDGET

	Needed	Received	Difference
Q1 Jan-Mar	29,510	26,996	(-)2,514
Q2 April-June	29,760	35,087	(+)5,327
Q3 July-Sep.	29,760	28,657	(-)1,103



COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS

A BIG thank you to those who volunteered to be coffee hour hosts!

If you would be interested in hosting, we can show you how!



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. Ushers pass out bulletins, collect the prayer cards, and get to ring the church bell. The Sunday Shepherd oversees and monitors the safety of our congregation, and is responsible to call 911 in case of an emergency. Interested in volunteering? Please see [Dennis Blom for November.](#)

BLESSED THANKSGIVING VERSES

AND WHATEVER YOU DO OR SAY, DO
IT AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE
LORD JESUS, GIVING THANKS
THROUGH HIM TO GOD THE FATHER.

Colossians 3:17, NLT

*I WILL PRAISE GOD'S
NAME WITH SINGING,
AND I WILL HONOR HIM
WITH THANKSGIVING.*

Psalms 69:30, NLT

I WILL GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD
WITH MY WHOLE HEART, I WILL TELL
OF YOUR WONDERFUL DEEDS

Psalms 9:1, NIV

*BE THANKFUL IN ALL
CIRCUMSTANCES, FOR
THIS IS GOD'S WILL FOR
YOU WHO BELONG TO
CHRIST JESUS*

I Thessalonians 5:18, NLT

PER CAPITA

Thank you all that have made their contribution to the Per Capita commitment for this year. As of the end of October, we have received \$2,472 of \$3,219 needed. If you have not had the chance to contribute, you still have until December 31. The new rate for 2023 will be \$29.77 per member.

WHAT IS PER CAPITA?

PER CAPITA has been part of our funding history for over 150 years. When presbyteries, synods, and the General Assembly meet, they are conducting the legislative and judicial business of the church and incur necessary expenses. There are also some necessary administrative expenses involved which enable these ecclesiastical, legislative, and judicial functions to be performed. Historically, per capita has been used to fund these. Importantly, per capita funding enables governing councils to make decisions regarding distribution of mission dollars without itself being funded by those same dollars.

The whole church shares in these expenses since everyone who is a member shares in the benefits of this system of church government. Per capita provides for the financial participation of all local churches as part of a connectional and representative church, thus providing for unity and mutual responsibility within the church.

HOW IS PER CAPITA CALCULATED?

The Per Capita Apportionment in the Presbytery of Lake Huron is based on a portion of certain salaries and expenses which are part of the operating expenses of the Presbytery.

Per Capita is the cost of being a Presbyterian, and if each member pays the per capita amount above his/her pledge or regular giving, pressure on the local budget is reduced.

Paying per capita is similar to:

- contributing one's dish to a potluck meal
- paying to be connected to the internet
- paying for the benefit of utilities, like electricity, gas, water
- pitching in with others to pay for gasoline on a road trip

In order to keep presbytery's per capita rate from escalating the per capita portion of the budget is subsidized with a distribution from Presbytery's investments.

WHERE DO OUR PER CAPITA DOLLARS GO?

The amount that is set for per capita apportionment is a calculation based on the number of church members and the budget established annually by each governing body. At the presbytery level per capita pays for a number of items including:

- the mortgage payment on the presbytery office
- the office of the Stated Clerk including his salary and that of the Recording Clerk
- salaries of the Financial Secretary, Treasurer and the Administrative Assistant
- insurance coverage, legal counsel, annual audit
- costs associated with operating the presbytery office meeting costs for our standing units



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