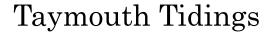


First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth

OCTOBER 2025





WELCOME!

Sunday Worship Service—9:30am, Rev. John Scott Kroener, Pastor
Christine Callender- Social Media Director and Clerk of Session,

Dawa Patrick - Administrative Assistant and Christian Education Director

Dawn Patrick - Administrative Assistant and Christian Education Director, Lynn Hauk- Treasurer, Floyd Roebuck- Youth Director 12517 Morseville Rd. Birch Run, MI 48415

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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. (Holidays hours do vary).





First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth 12517 Morseville Rd., Birch Run

5 Mies West of Broh Run and Half Mie South of the Taymouth Fire Hall

Thursday Oct. 9th 9am - 5pm

Friday Oct. 10th 9am-5pm

KICHEN HEMS DECORATIVE HEMS CLOTHING OF ELECTRONICS SHOES PORSES LINENS ALL KINDS BOOKS

YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT YOU MIGHT FIND!

Donations accepted from Sunday Oct. 5-Wednesday Oct. 8.

First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth
157th Birthday Celebration
Every Sunday in October

Please help us celebrate our birthday the whole month long!

We would appreciate your help re-stocking our most, used supplies for the church as birthday gifts. Please bring unwrapped gifts to the front of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings for the celebration. Each Sunday is assigned its own supply suggestions.

The following is an idea list for your consideration:

October 5th: Stamps, Kleenex*, Hand Sanitizer

October 12th: Paper towels, Plates, Napkins

October 19th: Coffee, Creamer, Styrofoam Coffee Cups

October 26th: Stamps, Copy Paper**, Clorox Wipes

*Type of Kleenex: unscented, lotion free.

**Type of Copy/Print Paper for our machine: Letter-8.5 in x 11in, 20 lb, 92 brightness.

Sunday	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED.	Thursday	FRIDAY	SAT.
OCT	0B	ER	Bible Study 7:00 p.m.	2	3	4
5 9:30 am. Worship Service w/ Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Sunday School and Youth Group 17th Sunday after Pentecost	6	7 6:00 p.m. B & G	8 Bible Study 7:00 p.m.	9 9:00 am Rummage Sale	10 9:00 am Rummage Sale	11
12 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 am. Fellowship Hour, Sun- day School and Youth Group 3:00 pm Fall Fest at Roebuck's	13	9:45 am Finance 7:00 pm Session	15	16	17 7:00 p.m. Family Game Night	18
19 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 am. Fellowship Hour, Sun- day School and Youth Group	20	21 NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE	22	23	24	25
286 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour, Sun- day School and Youth Group 20th Sunday after Pentecost	27	28	29	30	31 5:00 PM. Trunk-or- Treat	



Start saving your treasures! Rummage Sale is approaching fast. Can you help? Set-up will start on Sunday, Oct. 5th thru Wed. Oct. 8th. Sale on Thursday and Friday Oct. 9th and 10th, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m,. Packing and loading goods on Tue. Oct. 14th, at 9:00 a.m. Please no drop-offs of sale items until Sun., Oct. 5th.

WORSHIP SERVICES LIVE STREAM TO FACEBOOK, 9:30 A.M. SUNDAYS.

Bulletins are available at taymouthchurch.com.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

A new gathering for anyone experiencing loss or grief in any form and for any reason is invited to attend this group on the first Monday of the month at the Christ Lutheran Church in Birch Run from 7:00- 8:00 pm. This is open to anyone who would like to talk about what they are experiencing and receive support through listening, information and prayer. For more information, please call the Christ Lutheran Church at 989-624-9378.



MEAL TRAIN

This wonderful outreach to our church family is in need of a new coordinator. Please let the church office know if you would be interested. This program organized willing participants to provide meals to those who may be injured, healing from surgery, sick, etc.. We THANK Carolyn and Rich Weston for giving of their time to this loving program for many years!

"Got Bagpipes?"

No worries! Mr. Donald Ross does!

Mr. Ross will grace our worship service on October 5th playing the Scottish bagpipes and helping us to usher in our church's 157th birthday month of October and celebrating World-Wide Communion Sunday. Donald has blessed many people these past 50 years with the beautiful music of the Scottish bagpipes. There is no greater joy than listening to and singing along with the bagpipes.

Embrace the 100th Pslamist words: "Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing." (Ps. 100:1-2) I am very thankful to one anonymous donor who loves our church and its Scottish heritage in bringing Donald onboard to share with us his musical talents. So come and worship the Lord with the sounding Joy of Gladness.

To make Donald feel right at home wearing his family's tartan kilt, I invite you to wear your family's tartan colors or your favorite plaid colors in any form or fashion such as shirts, pants, neckties, blouses, scarfs, sashes, skirts, kilts, and yes, even pajamas. Sometime ago, a Session member who will remain nameless asked for a "Pajama Party Sunday" where everyone would show-up to worship wearing their favorite pair of pajamas. We all chuckled and laughed. However, the seed has been planted, and what a creative idea I must say. So, I just want to extend a special invitation to Carolyn Weston and to all plaid pajama wearers—You Go for It Girl!

"Got Pajamas?" It is tempting! However, I will not wear my pajamas. But I will wear my favorite plaid pajama colors, the Black Watch tartan, in kilt form and fashion.

"Happy 157th Birthday First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth!!!"
Shalom, Pastor Scott

NEWS FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Christine Callender, Clerk of Session

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

Computers for Dawn's Office and Pastor's office are ordered, and here. Tuesday, September 16th, Ben will be installing them.

On October 5th, for the first Sunday of our birthday month, we will be having a Bagpiper.

Camp out movie night went very well. There were 18 people, and they watched The Forge.

The Viability committee met on September 4th and discussed the church at the present time. They discussed the committees, congregation, youth, and other areas to see where to head in five years. The next meeting is on November 20th.

Building and Grounds requested to get a new painter, as the first painter we had backed out. The first painter is supposed to be refunding us by the end of September. The new painter requested \$200 more and that money is going towards a memorial fund that will help out people in need. This motion was approved.

The Finance Committee met. They were able to move another \$2,100 into the savings count. MEI was officially hired as a new elevator inspector. There is memorial money from Rob Minard's funeral and the suggestion that we have for the family is to get the altar bible replaced.

Thanksgiving Ecumenical service will be held at our church this year on November 25th, at 7 PM, and it will be live streamed.

Next meeting is October 14, 2025. **For a complete list, please contact the church office or the Clerk.

Building & Grounds

- Thank you to everyone for helping clean the church! Your help is appreciated needed and appreciated! We meet on Tuesday mornings at 9am. It takes about 1 hour.
- Thank you to all our volunteers who are making our grounds so beautiful!
- Thank you to all the helpers that cleaned out the church garage!
- Thank you to Floyd Roebuck for working on the drinking fountain.
- A new Pasty Fundraiser is under way with delivery in November. We need a team to help make them. Please let me know if you can help to make this successful!
- We are in need of help to finish painting the manse. Some trim work only.
- Helpers are needed for the Rummage Sale!
- Thank you to Jim and Cindy Maher, Rick Hauk, Dawn Patrick and myself for helping clean out the garage.
- Huge THANK YOU to all the Building & Grounds team who work so hard to keep things working and looking great!!!

Terri Rudzitis, Building & Grounds Chair

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Kick-off Sunday will be September 7th with Noisy Offering and Bible Presentation. Thank you Floyd and Elizabeth for the activity of "The Ten Commandments Escape Room, and redesigning the classroom for the Youth Group. Also, Thank You Elizabeth and Kimberly Reed for providing the Youth Group with new bible cases with their names on it. They are beautiful! The new year theme is "The Greatest Commandment", Matthe 22:37-39.

The Fall Festival will be at the Roebuck's house this year with a potluck and fun for everyone! All are invited to join in on Sunday, October 12th at 3:00 pm. Bring a dish to pass and a lawn chair.

New this year, the Youth Class will be meeting in their own classroom! The former Sunday School room will be transformed to the Youth room to accommodate our growing young people. A Confirmation Class will be offered this fall as well. So excited for the new year and what we can learn together!

Dawn Patrick, CE Director

STUDY FOR CHURCH VIABILITY COMMITTEE

VIABILITY, THE ABILITY TO CONTINUE AS INTENDED, TO BRING PEOPLE TO JESUS CHRIST.

The committee met on Thursday, September 4th to continue developing the Five-year plan. A great many ideas and suggestions are discussed. The next meeting will be Thursday, Nov. 20th, at 6:00 p.m.. Thank you to the Committee for all their hard work.



Chair-Richard Leach

MEMBER CARE -

Reach Up, Reach Out, to Reach all!

Are you interested in painting a Barn Block Quilt Block? Gloria Boensch offers this class. Sign-up is in October for a November class. Contact Gloria at Gboensch@chartermi.net or call 989-652-8268. this will get you on the "List" or email. Barb McIntosh has taken her class. Barb, Thank You for sharing the information.

Once again, Bonnie, Thank You for the inspirational front door message.

There are new jigsaw puzzles in the Lending Library.

Holly, Chair of Member Care

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS

A BIG thank you to those who have volunteered to be coffee hour hosts! *If you would be interested in hosting, we can show you!*

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Membership with First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth is for anyone who acknowledges Jesus Christ as their Lord and 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.

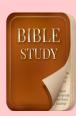
MISSIONS

Calling all crafters and those that can create items or make homemade treats for sale. All donations are welcome! MISSION MARKET PLACE is coming up on November 15th and 16th. This will give you some time to think about what you want to contribute. Items will be available for Christmas shopping. Your help will provide funds to bless others.

Beverly Robertson, Chair

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is on Wed., 7:00 p.m. thru Oct. 8th. The current study is "The Holy Spirit". All are welcome!



MONTHLY GENERAL FUND

Received	Needed	Difference
January \$11,455	\$10,000	(+)\$1,455
February \$8,061	\$10,000	(-) \$1,939
March \$14,620	\$10,000	(+) 4,620
First Quarter 2025 *Not included are Missions or Special Projects.	<u>Received</u> \$34,136	<u>Expenses</u> \$30,050.85
April \$10,067	\$10,000	(+) 67
May \$10,110	\$10,000	(+) 110
June \$17,127* *Amount reflects "once-a-year" contribution items.	\$10,000	(+) 7,127
Second Quar. 2025 *Not included are	<u>Received</u> \$37,304	<u>Expenses</u> \$33,052
Missions or Special Projects.		
•	\$10,000	(+) 946

PER CAPITA

The rate for 2025 is \$30.69 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

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



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF TAYMOUTH

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PASTY FUNDRAISER

All sales are
Pre-order only.
Meat or
Vegetable.
\$8.00 per Pasty

ALL ORDERS MUST BE PRE-PAID BY: Friday, November 2, 2025

Orders are pick-up only at the church on Friday, November 14, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. or Saturday, November 15, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Pasty's will be uncooked and frozen. Bake at 350 for 1 hour.

For Information, 989-624-9473

email: taymouthchurch@msn.com

Remove bottom portion of flyer for your Pre-Order.

Name_____

Phone Number_____

Number of Vegetable ____ Number of Meat____ Paid by: Cash Check Amount Paid:

Please make checks payable to Taymouth Pres. Church

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