



First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth

MAY 2024

Taymouth Tidings



WELCOME!

Sunday Worship Service—9:30am, Rev. John Scott Kroener, Pastor
Christine Callender- Social Media Director and Clerk of Session,
Dawn Patrick - Administrative Assistant and Christian Education Director,
Heidi Smith— Musician, Ken Maurer— Custodian,
Lynn Hauk- Treasurer Floyd Roebuck- Youth Director
12517 Morseville Rd. Birch Run, MI 48415
Phone: (989)624-9473, Website: www.taymouthchurch.com
Email: taymouthchurch@msn.com,
Facebook: Taymouth Presbyterian Church
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).

Prayer Circle



To activate the church's
prayer circle please call
Cindy Rabe
(989) 624-9274.
Prayer requests are
conveyed by telephone.

**WORSHIP SERVICES LIVE STREAM TO
FACEBOOK, 9:30 A.M. SUNDAYS.**
Bulletins are available at
taymouthchurch.com.

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.



It's YOUR Time to Make a Difference!

Event: Women At Risk— W.A.R.
Location: Taymouth Presbyterian Church
12517 Morseville Road, Birch Run
Date: Saturday, May 4th
Time: 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

JOIN US TO...

LEARN about domestic and global human trafficking and the risks women are facing today. **CREATE** circles of protection around women and children. **SHOP** beautiful jewelry and other hand-made gifts crafted by rescued and at-risk women. **RESTORE** women and children to lives of dignity and worth.

Every \$300 in Sales Supports A Woman in a Safehouse for One Month!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED.	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div>MAY</div>			1	2	3 4:00 pm. Set-Up for W.A.R.	4 W.A.R. 10 am-1pm
5 9:30 am. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour , Sunday School and Youth Classes 10:30 a.m. Worship Comm. Meet Clean-Up Day with Potluck 6th Sunday of Easter	6	7 7:00 p.m. Building & Grounds	8	9 7:00 p.m. Emergency Planning Committee	10 7:00 p.m. Family Game Night	11 Private Party
12 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour and Sunday School Happy Mother's Day 7th Sunday of Easter	13	14 7:00 p.m. Session	15	16	17	18
19 9:30 a.m. Worship Service w/ Holy Communion, Youth Sunday, and Noisy Offering. 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour and Sunday School Day of Pentecost	20	21 NEWSLETTER ITEMS DUE	22	23	24	25
26 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour and Sunday School Trinity Sunday	27 Memorial Day	28 7:00 P.M. VIABILITY MEETING				



Our thoughts and prayers are with Glen Lee and the Family in the passing of Glen's wife Beverly. Beverly went to be with the Lord on Monday, April 22, 2024. We will deeply miss her! Funeral services took place on Friday, April 26 at out church. Those wishing to make a memorial contribution may consider the First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth.

MISSIONS

Thank you to Kim Weston for sharing with us her work with the women of Amber Reineck House in Livingston County. Donations collected totaled \$250.00. Thank you to all who contributed to this important mission!

Thank you to the Missions Committee for all their help preparing and hosting the Women-at-Risk event on May 4th. Don't miss out!

Beverly Robertson, Missions Chair



“Day of Pentecost”

On Sunday, May 19th, we will celebrate Pentecost (Acts 2:1-21) with the liturgical color of red. I would like to share with you in this brief article the meaning of Pentecost as written in our denomination’s liturgical worship book, the Book of Common Worship (2018). I hope you find this information insightful about the importance and significance of Pentecost. What follows is the two-paragraph text copied word for word describing the Day of Pentecost (Book of Common Worship, 2018, p. 344) prepared by the Office of Theology and Worship for the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.):

“Pentecost” comes from a Greek word meaning fiftieth day. On this day, the Holy Spirit came with wind and flame, empowering the disciples to proclaim the good news of the risen Lord to all people. Falling on the fiftieth day of the season Easter, Pentecost represents the culmination of the church’s seven-week celebration of Christ’s resurrection. As the Lord’s Day is sometimes called the “eighth day” of creation, Pentecost is a day of new creation—all things transformed and made new by the Word and Breath of the living God. On the Day of Pentecost, we give particular thanks for the gift of God’s Holy Spirit, who gathers the church as the body of Christ and sends us to share in Christ’s mission throughout the world.

The notion of Easter as a season of fifty days is patterned after the ancient Jewish period of seven weeks that extended from the beginning of the barley harvest, after Passover, to the end of the wheat harvest the Festival of Weeks (in Hebrew, Shavuot). In Jewish tradition, Shavuot, also marks the giving of the law to Moses at Sinai, a connection that may inform Paul’s discussion of the law and the Spirit.

Shalom, Pastor Scott



NEWS FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Christine Callender, Clerk of Session

- The following items were discussed and approved at April's Session meeting.
- Memorial money given for Pat Periard's funeral was approved to go to the sound system. The last 2 components will be purchased.
- Game Nights for June 14, July 12, and August 9 approved.
- Meeting for Muriel Lakey Scholarship on Sunday, April 14th. There are currently 2 candidates that have applied.
- Church Viability meeting was on April 2nd. There are a lot of good ideas and thoughts coming together. Next meeting is May 28th at 7 pm if anyone would like to join.
- Left over funds from the railing installations approved to go towards gutter cover for the manse and church.
- Next meeting May 14, 2024.

**For a complete list , please contact the church office or the Clerk.

BUILDING & GROUNDS

- Thank you to Dennis Neahusan for snow shoveling.
- Thank you Dennis Neahusan, Leonard Holm, and Andy Rudzitis for painting! We still need some painting help.
- Thank you Andy Rudzitis for installing the new lights in the north hallway and bathroom. Lights were donated privately.
- The new railings are all installed and painted! Thank you to Rick Hauk and Jim Maher.
- Thank you to Ken Maurer and Rick Hauk for raking stones.
- Thank you Ken Maurer and Andy Rudzitis for replacing the sump pumps at the manse.
- Thank you to Floyd Roebuck for fixing a pipe leak.
- Clean-up day will be on Sunday, May 5th. A potluck will also take place. Sign-up sheets are available in the Fellowship hall.
- Adopt-a-garden and Lawn Mowing sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship hall.
- Our next project is working on gutter covers for the church and the manse. Donations toward this would be appreciated.

Thank you!

Terri Rudzitis, Building & Grounds Chair

A poster for the Detroit Tigers Home Plate 2024 event. The background is a close-up of a baseball glove. The Detroit Tigers logo is at the top. The text reads: HOME PLATE 2024 AT COMERICA PARK Saturday, June 22. COST: \$35.00 Per Person Pavilion Seats, Lower Deck Church Youth Members are Free. ON-THE-FIELD BASEBALL CLINIC Program time: 9:30a.m. Game Time 1:10p.m. Tiger's Opponent: Chicago White Sox. Teaching Time by Tiger Players and Coaches on Outfield Grass Between Program & Game.

DETROIT Tigers

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Easter Egg Hunt was held on Saturday, March 30th, with 25 children ready and eager to have fun! We had great “hiders” and even better “finders”. Thank you to all the families for participating. Thank you to all the helpers- Javon, Braydon, Kylie, Peter, Benjamin, Julia, and Hunter.

Vacation Bible School planning is under way. This year, Christ Lutheran Church of Birch Run will be the host of the community VBS. The theme of Camp Firelight will take place Monday, July 22nd thru Thursday, July 25th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Together with Christ Lutheran Church, Ss. Francis and Clare Catholic Church, Birch Run and Burt Methodist Churches, we are planning a great learning, creating, and growing in faith event for all kids’ pre-school thru 5th grade. Don’t forget to mark your calendar!

Our Youth Group will meet again on Sunday, May 5th. We will be continuing our discussion about making JOY “automatic” in extra areas of our lives. The way to understand JOY is J-Jesus first, O-others second, and Y-yourself third. Changing the way our mind thinks can create wonderful Joy!

The eighth Fruit of the Spirit is Gentleness- “A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.” Proverbs 15:1.

Blessings, Dawn Patrick, CE Director

A poster for Family Game Night's. The background is yellow. It features illustrations of a Rubik's cube, dominoes, a board game, and a chess set. The text reads: First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth FAMILY GAME NIGHT'S. COME OUT AND PLAY THE GAMES YOU KNOW AND LOVE! LEARN NEW GAMES AND MEET NEW PEOPLE! BRING YOUR FAVORITE GAMES AND SNACK FOOD TO SHARE. Friday's 7:00 - 9:00 pm January 12 February 9 March 8 April 12 May 10. (989) 624-9473 | WWW.TAYMOUTHCHURCH.COM 12517 MORSEVILLE RD. BIRCH RUN, MI 48415.

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Military Appreciation Month

"May is Military Appreciation Month, a special time for those in and out of the military. It is a time designated to honor and recognize the contributions, sacrifices, and service of the members of the armed forces, past and present.

Not only do we pause on [Memorial Day](#) to remember the sacrifice and service of those who gave all, but the month also marks several other military anniversaries and events, including [Military Spouse Appreciation Day](#) and [Armed Forces Day](#).

Join Military.com as we honor the service and sacrifice of members of the [Army](#), [Navy](#), [Air Force](#), [Coast Guard](#), [Marines](#), [Space Force](#) and [National Guard](#) as well as the contributions of their [spouses](#) and families.

Congress designated May as National Military Appreciation Month in 1999 to ensure the nation was given the chance to publicly show their appreciation for troops past and present. It serves as a reminder of the profound contributions made by service members." (military.com)

Military Buddies

Patrick, Logan, N
702 Quartermaster Rd Box 962
JBER, AK 99505

Justin Putnam
3713 Cesar Chavez Dr
Clovis, NM 88101

Brooke and Jake Whalen
153 Van Buren Rd
Schenectady, NY 12302

Sonny and Danielle Lewis
358 Shepherd Trail
Aberdeen, NC 28315

Waylon and Maryanne Stanley
4211 Pine St. Unit 1
Fort Wainwright, AK 99703

Please keep our Military Buddies (listed above) in your prayers. They do appreciate receiving mail!



STUDY FOR CHURCH VIABILITY COMMITTEE

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

The Taymouth Presbyterian Church 150 years ago was much different than our church today and so was the world of that day. Worlds change, economies change, people change, society's change, religions changes and priorities change but the Bible does not change, and our Savior Jesus Christ does not change. How we worship Him can change. Ten years ago, Taymouth Church had nearly 200 members and today we have 105.

Our church is well run and solid but if we are to bring people to Jesus, we may need to look at making changes in our ministry to bring more people into our church and make it their church too. This committee will be looking at our church today and how we continue to serve the Lord in the changing world. Respectfully, Dick Leach, Viability Chair



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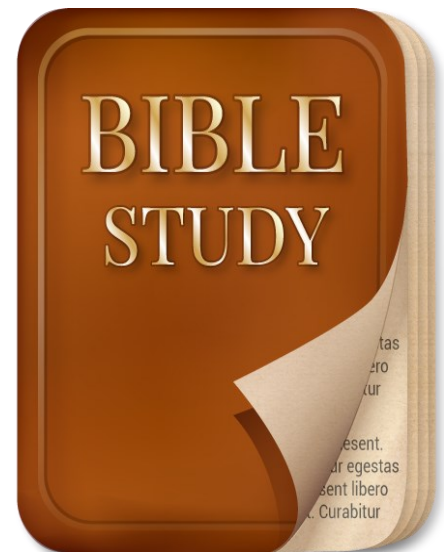
Dear Church Family and Friends!

The Finance Committee met Tuesday, April 16th, at 12:00 noon. Lynn Hauk, Terri Rudzitis, Judy Robertson, Pastor Scott and I discussed many topics including current finances, more fundraisers and supply needs. We are very thankful for your giving and the donations of copy paper, stamps, and coffee. At any time throughout the year, if you can help by donating a supply item, it would be a great help! Along with the above-mentioned items, we use a lot of toilet paper, Swiffer dusters, Clorox wipes, kitchen size trash bags, and bottled water.

Did you know that Memorial gifts can be given at any time to honor a loved one? If you have a friend or loved one not related to our church, but important to you, you may give a memorial to our church in their memory. Memorial donations help our finances or Building & Grounds projects that are on-going. Making an impact for the memory of a loved one is long lasting.

Per Capita for 2024 is \$29.50 per member. Our church's total commitment to this is \$3,098.00. The total is divided into twelve monthly payments of \$258.17. As of the end of February, we have received \$1,544 towards our total due. Thank you for all your help and prayerful consideration of this obligation.

Blessings! Dawn Patrick, Financial Secretary



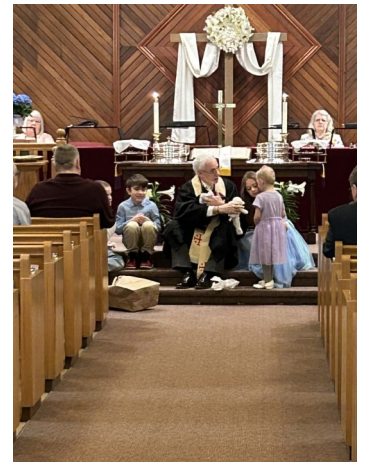
ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Would you be interested in a Bible Study learning about the Book of Revelation? Session has had some discussion that if there is enough interest, we will begin to look at scheduling some time for this study. Please contact the office to get on a list, 989-624-9473. There will also be a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for interested persons. Thank you!

MONTHLY GENERAL FUND

Received		Needed	Difference
January	\$10,456	\$13,000	(-) 2,544
February	\$ 8,656	\$13,000	(-) 4,344
March	\$12,781	\$13,000	(-) 219

Life at Taymouth!





thebookofblessings.com

God Bless Mothers

*You are worth
far more than rubies.
Your children rise up and bless you.
Many daughters have done well,
but you excel them all.*

(Proverbs 31)



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