



# First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth

## OCTOBER 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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## Prayer Circle



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

Prayer requests are conveyed by telephone.

### NEW ADDRESS:

Holly Wendzik 180 S. Colony Drive, Saginaw, Mi 48636

## 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](http://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.

**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

**October 21, Friday**  
**FROM 7:00 - 9:00 PM**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**  
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>OCTOBER</b>						1
<b>2</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 10:30 a.m. Worship Comm.  17th Sunday after Pentecost	3	<b>4</b> 7:00pm Building and Grounds	5	6	7	8
<b>9</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time  18th Sunday after Pentecost	10	<b>11</b> 7:00pm Session	<b>12</b> 7:00pm MMAP event	13	14	15
<b>16</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time  19th Sunday after Pentecost	17	18	19	20	<b>21</b> 7:00pm-9:00pm Game Night  Pastor Vacation	22
<b>23</b> :30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time  20th Sunday after Pentecost	24	25	26	27	28	29
<b>30</b> :30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time 3:45pm Fall Festival  21st Sunday after Pentecost	<b>31</b> 5:30 pm Trunk-or-Treat					

## MEMBER CARE

Save the date! **October 12, 2022 at 7:00pm.** Region VII Area Agency on Aging representative Lynn Bradfield will address programs and resources this agency offers.

These programs provide help for older adults, persons with disabilities, family members and care givers. Home delivered meals, Medicare and Medicaid assistance, MI choice, Medicaid waiver, senior employment programs. These are just a few of their services.

She will also answer questions about Medicare enrollment options. Do you have the best plan to meet your needs? Open enrollment begins in October.

This seminar is not only for our church, but our community! This is a wonderful opportunity to learn what health care assistance you can receive. Bring yourself, a friend, and family member. Knowledge is power, let Region VII empower you.

Sponsored by Missions and Member care.

*Holly*



### Our Mission

To educate, counsel and empower Michigan's older adults and individuals with disabilities, and those who serve them, so that they can make informed health benefit decisions.

MMAP, Inc. works through the Area Agencies on Aging to provide high quality and accessible health benefit information and counseling, supported by a statewide network of unpaid and paid skilled professionals.

**Missions is excited to offer you, a free information session on all MMAP can offer you!**

**Lynn Bradfield from Region 7 as guest speaker.**  
**Please join us on Wednesday, October 12, 7:00pm**  
**at the First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth**  
**12517 Morseville Rd, Birch Run, MI 48415**  
**No rsvp needed**

## How MMAP Can Help You

- Identify resources for prescription drug assistance
- Explain Medicare Health Plan Options
- Understand doctor bills, hospital bills and Medicare Summary Notices,
- Understand Medicare/Medicaid eligibility, enrollment, coverage, claims and appeals
- Enroll in Medicare Savings Programs
- Review your Medicare supplemental ("Medigap") insurance needs, compare policies and pursue claims and refunds
- Explore long term care financing options, including long term care insurance

## “Let’s Take a Look”

Have you noticed there has been a slight change to one of our fixtures in the sanctuary? (Clue: It is not a light fixture.) You may have noticed it and kept silent about it. You may have looked at it and never recognized the slight change. The change occurred a few months ago with a simple repair. The small repair refashioned the piece to look normal.

Is your curiosity up? If so, I invite you to search the sanctuary. Searching for things can be exciting and fun. I like the notion of going on a quest to discover new things, to seek old things, and to experience the search itself. I see this readily happening with our Sunday School children “looking for Jesus” on Sunday mornings during Sunday School. It is a wonderful sight to watch the joy of their search.

The same holds true with our customers (including me) who come shopping at our church’s rummage sale. Shopping for me is a form of therapy, because it involves the process of searching for something. For some people shopping creates anxiety. For others, shopping reduces anxiety. “Shopping therapy” with the notion of “seek and you will find” (Mt. 7:7) is a process of discovery.

Jesus of Nazareth, our Lord and Savior, mentions in his parables (Lk. 15:3-10) how the Kingdom of God is perceived upon people’s search for God and their desire to know God. Searching for that ultimate divine relationship between ourselves and God creates meaning. Meaning enables us to see Jesus as the Way, the Truth, and the Life (Jn. 14:6).

Opening our eyes to see Jesus is to see change taking place. Opening our eyes to see change taking place is to feel the Holy Spirit moving us and leading us towards the search for Jesus and our search for ultimate meaning. I hope you take up my invitation of searching for the item which has changed. A sleuth adventure awaits.

Shalom, Pastor Scott



## NEWS FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Christine Callender, Clerk of Session

Received Thank you card from Iza Stanley for the pen for her Graduation. Kim Britton to go on the inactive list as she is moving. Review of Session minutes on October 24, 2022.

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

Car Show committee all set for the 24th. A drone will be there to take pictures.

Building and Grounds moving forward with Chimney repair. Meters will be updated at Manse and church by Consumers. Fence is up. Bushes will be pulled out after flowers die at East Entrance. Boiler and Annual Fire checks done. WM replaced the dumpster as ours was rusty.

Emergency and preparation response planning committee has been meeting to review and update the plan. The material is currently being reviewed by Session.

Emailed Jason Ward to start purchasing items.

Carolyn Weston looking into Bus trip to Snover again. Waiting to see about gas prices.

Next meeting October 11, 2022.

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

## 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!*



## 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

Behind the scenes, our committee and other volunteers have been busy, busy bees.

Our annual boiler and fire extinguisher checks were completed with some minor maintenance done on the boiler (that's exactly why we have these annual checks!). The repair work on the chimney at the manse will be completed this Fall (the new bricks needed for the project are at the manse; we are just waiting for the contractor to let us know when work will begin).

**Thank you** to **Jim Maher** for spraying weeds in the parking lot, **Dennis Neahusan** for fixing the mailbox post, **Ken Maurer** for filling in the sidewalk cracks, **Randy Patrick and Ken Maurer** for the ongoing process of installing the new energy-efficient light bulbs, **Dennis Neahusan and Jim Maher** for installing the new fence in the corner of the church, and **Holly Wendzik** for leading the team that washed the church and manse before the car show.

**Thank you** to all who pitched in to care for the flower beds and mow the lawn. In a few weeks, we can close the books on those activities for 2022... but we still have some open slots for October.

**Kerry Prout**  
2022 Chair



## MISSIONS

The "Not Your Mama's Rice Krispies" challenge drew thirteen different treats to choose from and earned \$126. Thanks to all who donated. Our winner, once again, was Elizabeth Roebuck with her pumpkin shaped treats flowing out of a cornucopia. Elizabeth is our only three-time winner and has set the bar high for next year's challengers. Congratulations.

September 25th was the last Sunday to donate socks and for those of you with a devilish nature, the sabotage items of underwear. Ultimately, we know the benefactors of this competition are the kids of the Frances Rey Academy. The final totals are North- (-)96 and South is (+) 446. A total of 1,332 items were donated. (491 pairs of underwear, 841 pairs of socks).

Thank you for your support and thank you Holly Wendzik and Bonnie Pratt for suggesting these fun challenges. Congrats to the South!

October 16, 23, and 30th, we will be receiving donations for the Peace Offering which is used to fight Poverty, Racism, Violence, Climate Change and Immigration/Migrations. Our congregation keeps 25% of your gifts to work in our area.

November is fast approaching, have you been gathering items for our Shoebox Collection? The various agencies where these boxes are delivered are so appreciative as well as the recipients of the boxes. Please help us as much as you can. Thank you.

December 17th is our Cookie Walk, so dig out your recipes and make your favorite treats. This is open to the community on Saturday and any leftovers will be sold on Sunday.

Blessings to All who support Missions,  
Janette Gonzales, Chair



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Fall Kick-off took place on September 18 with a beautiful Bible presentation to Blair Periard. Congratulations Blair! We began our Sunday School year by putting together a really, really, big puzzle of the Lord's Prayer. Thank you to Elizabeth and Floyd for their creative work.

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

Our next events are the Fall Festival 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 at our events!

Blessings, Dawn Patrick, CE Director





## 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

Old Town Christian 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

## 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 Shepherds. 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. Interested in volunteering? Please see Carolyn Weston for October.

# Fall Festival

**MONTROSE ORCHARDS**

**Sun., October 30, 3:45 pm**

Donuts, Cider, Pumpkins, Bomb Fire, and Hayride\*\*.

Fun for the whole family!

**Please Join us!**

12473 Seymour Rd.  
Montrose, MI 48457

**\*\*Hayride to depart at 4:00 pm**

## STEWARDSHIP

Dear Church Family and Friends!

Did you know? Here at Taymouth Presbyterian, we are not immune to unforeseen repairs or updates from occurring. On September 22, we learned that a new septic pump needed to be installed for our septic tanks and toilet system. Thankfully, we were able to receive assistance from Helm Electric and John Kribs to get this taken care of. Unfortunately, we will be taking a hit to the budget. If you are able, please prayerfully consider helping with this new cost.

August and September contributions did not meet budget. Please refer to the chart below for more information. If you have any questions, I am in the church office Tuesday, Thursday, and Fridays from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

Blessings to you all!

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



**DRIVE THRU ONLY**  
**Fri., Oct. 21, 2022**  
**4:30 - 6:30 PM**

**\$14.00**

*Cash only, please*

Meal Includes: Fried Alaskan Pollock, Potatoes, Coleslaw, Bread, and Dessert

### SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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