



First Presbyterian Church of Taymouth

MAY 2023

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

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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.

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! (Holidays hours do vary).

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

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



Online Giving

We are pleased to announce that we are now providing online giving as an option that is a convenient and secure way to make a one-time or recurring donation. When you choose to give online, your donation will transfer directly to our bank account. You have the option to create a Profile, which will give you the ability to log in at any time to view your prior online donations or to make changes to any recurring gifts you may have scheduled. Whether you choose to create a Profile or not, you can setup your donation and designate a category of giving. Recurring donations help stabilize giving and allow us to improve our budget forecasting. Visit our website for more information. The Presbyterian Foundation will take care of processing all gifts. For your convenience, use this bar code to access the payment app.



	1 Silver Star Banner Day	2 7:00 pm Building & Grounds	3	4 6:30 pm Finance Meeting	5	6
7 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Church Clean-up Fifth Sunday of Easter	8	9 6:15 pm Car Show Meeting 7:00 pm Session	10	11	12 7:00 pm Game Night Military Spouse Appreciation Day	13 Children of Fallen Patriots Day
14 9:30 am. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 am Mom's Treat Bake Sale Sixth Sunday of Easter/Mothers Day	15	16	17 10:00 am— 2:00p Bazaar Work- shop 7:00 pm Session Size Committee	18 4:00 pm—7:30p Bazaar Work- shop Ascension of the Lord	19	20 Armed Forces Day
21 9:30 a.m. Worship Ser- vice—Youth Sunday with Noisy Offering 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour 10:30 a.m. Sunday School Seventh Sunday of Easter	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 9:30 a.m. Worship Service with Holy Communion 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour 10:30 a.m. Sunday School Day of Pentecost	29	30	31			



MISSIONS

From Memorial Day to Labor Day we are asking, if you can set 2 Coins in a container each time you have a meal. It doesn't sound like much, but it adds up. We will be sending 25% to the Presbytery, 50% to Support the Evangelical Church in the Republic of Niger where Rev. Michael Ludwig, of Midland Memorial, has served as a missionary and 25% will be used here at Taymouth to help reduce hunger.

The month of June is designated for the Brown Bag Lunch program at St. Thomas Aquinas. They ask for Juice boxes, Little Debbie Cakes, Large packages of cookies, SMOOTH peanut butter, Grape & strawberry jam, energy bars and sandwich & snack size zip lock bags.

During August we will collect medicine bottles (with labels removed) that are 4 inches by 2 inches. Missions will be filling them with bandaids and etc. to be delivered to Under The Rainbow Thrift Shop to be given to homeless folks. Once the containers are empty, they can be used to store small items.

Remember craft items for the bazaar and the Rice Krispy Challenge.

Blessings to all and a HUGE thank you for your support.
Janette Gonzales

MEMBER CARE

Thank you Member Care! You rocked Easter Breakfast! We have the best bakers! Christine and Bonnie, the decorations were beautiful. Jason, thank you for coloring the eggs. Thank you to the clean-up elves, you are magical. You make me proud to be a part of this committee. Monies received are designated for the furnace repair.

Circle May 14 on your calendar. Mom's Treat Bake Sale will take place following the Worship service. I can smell the goodies already! There is no need to make a desert for Mother's Day, you can purchase one at the Bake Sale!

Holly

“Honk! Honk!”

These past couple weeks I have been blessed seeing the sun rise. I have been blessed with another natural alarm clock, a pair of geese. Observing their size and watching their behavior, I suspect they are mates, a goose and a gander. Their voices express their love talk with honking. They begin each morning eating alfalfa in the field behind the manse, and they end each evening at sunset doing the same thing. Of course, the conversation dwindles to a whisper when they are snacking.

Within the past few days another flying alarm clock came into the neighborhood announcing its arrival at sunrise. This lone goose or gander landed in the unplowed, unplanted cornfield across the road from the front yard of the manse, and became very talkative towards the pair of geese eating in the alfalfa field. It did not take long for the pair of geese to respond loudly towards the new arrival telling the newcomer it was not welcome. I shortly discovered geese don't like claim-jumping when it involves prime real-estate like a green alfalfa field or the sharing of mates.

I must say these morning encounters are interesting, because these geese are telling a story about God's natural world. This natural world which we live in is mysterious and lively. These geese have no quorums in telling everyone within hearing distance what is theirs and what is not. Despite their disputes concerning territory and mates, I have found beauty when geese talk or honk at one another. It tells me I am a part of God's sacred story of creation.

We need to listen and hear God's voice in all aspects of our lives, especially in nature. I invite you to listen and hear God's living presence talking with you. Be not afraid to talk or sing to God with joy, praise, and thanksgiving like the birds or geese in the fields. God wants to hear from each of us. God wants to hear our orchestrated voices not just at sunrise or sunset, but all day and all night long.

Shalom, Pastor Scott



NEWS FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Christine Callender, Clerk of Session

Men's Group will be hosting Game Night on May 12. 4th of July float- Dennis Neahusan said we can use his trailer again. August 25th is Movie night/Camp out.

Dinner Committee will be hosting April 23rd Spaghetti lunch for donation only. May 7th Lasagna lunch. Motion approved for spaghetti lunch on April 23, 2023. Fish Fry is ready. Harvest Supper, tabled until June meeting.

Social Media & Communication Outreach Committee has online giving up on the website. Pew cards are being ordered.

Floyd & Elizabeth Roebuck want to paint the brick foundation of the church so it is the color of the roof. They want to donate their time and the paint. Motion approved to let Floyd & Elizabeth paint the brick foundation of the church.

Car Show Meeting May 9 at 6:15pm before session meeting.

155th birthday of the church this year. Carolyn asked if we could have a birthday party in October. Motion approved to celebrate the 155th birthday of the church in October 2023.

Worship numbers for Holy Week: 40 for Good Friday, 22 for 7am service Easter, 64 for 930 am service Easter. Next meeting May 9, 2023.

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



BAKE SALE MOM'S TREATS

Sunday, May 14, 2023

No need to make Mother's Day deserts, you can purchase a special treat! Please join us in the Fellowship Hall following the Worship Service.

Presented by Member Care
Proceeds to go to General Fund

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BUILDING & GROUNDS

We need volunteers to sign-up to help clean the church and yard. Church wide clean up will be on May 7, following the worship service. Thank you for helping!

Lawn mowing is now here! Please sign-up for your dates.

There is a sign-up sheet for anyone interested in taking care of a flower bed or two during the spring and summer months. Please look for the Adopt-a-garden sign-up.

Thank you to Jim and Cindy Maher and Terri and Andy Rudzitis for painting the wainscoting in the Sanctuary! It looks great!

Thank you to Ken Maurer and Andy Rudzitis for the repair work on the toilets.

Thank you to everyone that help keep our Church beautiful!

We are always looking for more help with this committee. If you would like to join, just see Terri.

Terri Rudzitis, Building & Grounds Chair



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We had so much fun at the Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8. Our young people worked hard finding most of the eggs! Thank you to all the families, youth, and Easter Bunny for making it a great morning!

Youth Sunday with Noisy Offering will take place on Sunday, May 21. There will be a couple extra presentations for our congregation on this day as well. Please join us and support our youth!

May is Military Appreciation Month! "National Military Appreciation Month (NMAM) is celebrated every May and is a declaration that encourages U.S. Citizens to observe the month in a symbol of unity. NMAM honors current and former members of the U.S. Armed forces, including those who have died in the pursuit of freedom. May is characterized by six national observances highlighting the contributions of those who have served." (MilitaryBenefits.info) Please help us in supporting our own Military Buddies that are currently serving: Sonny and Danielle Lewis, Jake and Brooke Whalen, Waylon and Maryanne Stanley, Justin Putnam, and (my personal favorite) Logan Patrick. May God bless all our Military, past and present!

Blessings, Dawn Patrick, CE Director

MONTHLY GENERAL FUND

	Needed	Received	Differ-
Jan	\$13,450	\$11,599	(-) 1,851
Feb	\$10,760	\$11,082	(+) 322
Mar	\$10,760	\$11,052	(+) 292



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

STEWARDSHIP

Dear Church Family and Friends!

Thank you all for your help in covering the unexpected costs of maintenance of the leak and the furnace at the Manse! We appreciate all your prayers and contributions.

The first quarter statements have been printed and either handed out or mailed. If you have not received a statement, then we have missed you being a part of our church life! We hope you can return soon!

The Finance Committee will be meeting on Thursday, May 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the Geneva Room. Please keep this committee in your prayers as we consider options for "sailing" forward with all the Lord has blessed us!

Can you help? Our church is now offering an Online Giving Program through the Presbyterian Foundation. Online giving is simple and secure for you to use. When you cannot make it to church in person or you watch us from afar, we appreciate your contribution! Your help makes a difference in the life of our church! Blessings to you all!

Dawn Patrick, Financial Secretary

Dinner Committee

Do you like to eat? Do you like to help others eat? The Dinner Committee needs your help! We are currently preparing for the Fish Fry and will have a sign-up for areas of help needed. Then we would like to have more input for future events. Let's make this a strong committee!! Stay tuned for a Dinner Committee meeting in the near future!

Terri Rudzitis, Dinner Committee Chair



Church Bazaar

Exciting New idea for our church! Missions will be hosting an Old Fashioned Bazaar to replace the Mission Marketplace. The Bazaar will take place on Saturday, November 4, from 9—4. There will be crafts, bake sale, a luncheon, and much more. To get ready, we have set aside some dates for a few workshops. The first two workshops are **Wednesday, May 17 from 10 am to 2pm** and **Thursday, May 18 from 4 pm to 7:30 pm**. All are welcome! Any crafters may donate items for sale. Also, if you have a specialty, you may rent a table at the Bazaar for \$25.00 and sell your own product. This Bazaar will be open to the public. For more information, call Terri Rudzitis at 989-798-4733.

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 how!



Life at Taymouth!





Taymouth Historical Association

**Invites You To Our 1st
Yard Sale & Antique Appraisal Fund Raiser**

Yard Sale - Friday and Saturday

May 19 & 20

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Food Trucks on site

Saturday, May 20th

9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Bring your antiques to the
Burt Opera House for appraisal
\$4.00 for the first item
\$2.00 each for the next items**

Donations for the yard sale may be dropped off
at the Burt Opera House
Monday, May 15th 9 -12
Tuesday, May 16th 2 – 6

All proceeds go towards on going Taymouth Historical projects.



GIVING STARTS WITH YOU

What is the commitment?

\$100 donation once every 3 months (only \$400 a year)
1 hour every 3 months (only 4 hours a year)

How does it work?

100+ local individuals, couples, or businesses meet once every 3 months.

Our group is then presented with local charity projects, organizations, and/or group ideas.

Collectively as a group, we choose one project to support and everyone in the group makes a \$100 donation to that organization on the spot!

Why?

This group can potentially give \$10,000 every 3 months to local charity projects, organizations, and/or group ideas, making a huge local impact while requiring little time and money from the individual member!

More Information available in church office.

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.

Please visit fbem.org for more food pantry locations.



Happy Mother's Day

"She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue." PROVERBS 31:25-26



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