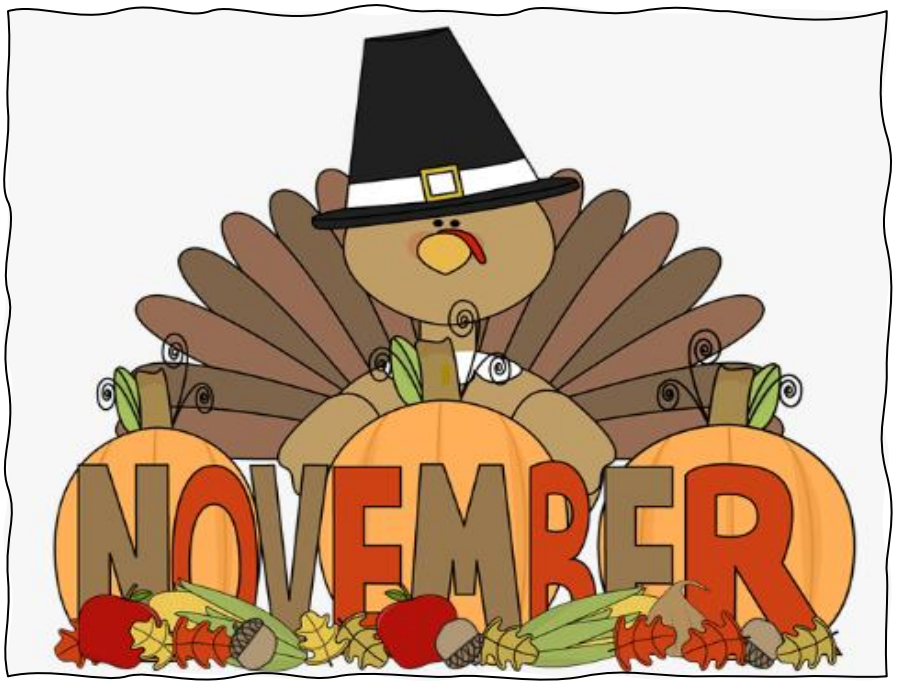
Westminster Presbyterian Church

On Course Newsletter



Chili Potluck

- Sunday, November 15th after worship in the dining hall.
- Free will donations will be accepted for the Christmas Outreach Program.
- Sign-up sheet in the Narthex for salads and desserts.



Presbytery Monthly Newsletter Link

Greetings in Christ!

As the classic question goes, “where has the time gone?” It seems as if just a few days ago we were celebrating the arrival of the summer season, and now it’s November. The weather has been behaving itself fairly well so far this fall, although it’s been kinda’ windy, but there’s definitely a chill in the air. The beautiful colors of fall have begun to fade a bit, yet this is still a wonderful time of the year to be out-and-about in Northern Michigan. Soon enough, it will be time to prepare for holiday gatherings and celebrations, but for right now, we still have a few days of relative quiet to savor the autumn.

As you all know, we had to cancel the pasty sale this year; there simply wasn’t enough support to tackle this major project that has been a primary source of revenue for the benevolent work of the Board of Deacons; especially for the Christmas Outreach project. Our remarkable Administrative Assistant Michelle Kamyszek has suggested a Chili Potluck for November 15th, following worship. Michelle will provide the chili, and church members are being asked to provide salads and desserts; a free will offering will be taken to help fund the Christmas Outreach effort. We look forward to seeing you at the potluck for good food, good fellowship, and a generous offering in support of our community!

We’d like to thank everyone who donated candy for Westminster’s “trunk” at the “Trunk or Treat” event at Mike Lynch Ford on Halloween, and our thanks to those who took time out of their busy day to tend to our “trunk!”

Looking at the month of November, it’s a busy month; starting with Veterans Day on November 11th, a day we set aside to honor all those who have served our nation in uniform, we then look forward to *Christ the King Sunday* on the 22nd, ending the liturgical year for the church, and then Thanksgiving on the 26th. The Community Thanksgiving Dinner will be held at St. Ignatius Roman Catholic Church – please contact the church office to make your reservation(s). The Community Thanksgiving Service is still up in the air right now; we hope to have details for this worship service very soon. The month of November ends with the First Sunday of Advent on the 29th, to usher in the holy season of Advent. We hope you will join us in worship at every opportunity!

The month of November presents us with several important days to shift our focus away from our daily activities to deeply important things. We are called to honor those who have served, to give thanks for the great blessings we enjoy, to end one year in the life of the church and to welcome a new year, preparing to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior. We will gather in worship, gather to break bread together, and gather to celebrate; let us do so with our hearts open wide to share the love and grace of our Lord with all!!

We are continuing to post our written worship service via email, to live-stream our services on Facebook at Westminster Presbyterian Church of Rogers City, and to send out our Midweek Update. Please let us know if you aren’t receiving these so that we can correct our distribution list. If you aren’t able to be with us in the sanctuary, please consider joining us online!

May God bless you and keep you, and all whom you love, and all whom you are called to love, safe and well.

Rev. Karen, Toby, and Dr. Greg

THOSE SERVING

November 1st
Liturgist: Beth Getzinger
Preservice Music: Beth Getzinger
Greeters:
Coffee Hour: Lois Allum
Flowers: Lois Allum

November 8th
Liturgist: Gene LaPointe
Preservice Music: Beth Getzinger
Greeters:
Coffee Hour:
Flowers:

November 15th
Liturgist: Beach Hall
Preservice Music: Beth Getzinger
Greeters:
Coffee Hour:
Flowers:

November 22nd
Liturgist:
Preservice Music: Beth Getzinger
Greeters:
Coffee Hour:
Flowers: Beth Getzinger

November 29th
Liturgist:
Preservice Music: Beth Getzinger
Greeters:
Coffee Hour:
Flowers:



TREASURERS REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2026 Income & Expense Report

Income $10,484.63 Expenses $12,014.49

Expenses exceeded income by *$1,529.86*

YEAR TO DATE 2026 Income & Expense Report

Income $125,848.61 Expenses $142,746.57

Expenses exceeded income by *$16,897.96*

From the Desk of



TOBY THE CHURCH DOG
November 2026

Hello dear friends!

You know how important friendships are to me, and how committed I am to anyone who I call “friend”. Well, I am excited to share that I have a new, important friendship forming. Her name is Penelope, and I’ve sensed her presence in my yard for a while now. And, what an alluring scent she has! I’ve looked and looked for her, and finally two weeks ago, when taking my dad for his bedtime stroll, I spotted her sauntering from the church to the end of my driveway. Folks, you need to believe me when I tell you that her beauty left me breathless. Her girlish curves, sleek black tresses with white highlights from forehead to tail, and that sweet, delicate turned up nose were the picture of poise and grace. How eager I was to race up and greet her, but for some reason, my dad stopped me in my tracks, clutching onto my leash like a squirrel latching onto an acorn in winter! It is so frustrating to me that since then I’ve only enjoyed similar long-distance rendezvouses with a certain parental figure curbing my style with his death grip on my lead. What a kill joy! Still, I feel we’ve formed a connection.

Some friends tell me that I am wrong to feel so committed to Penelope, because we are so different; but it is our differences that leave me feeling in awe of her! I have learned that she protects the gardens in my yard by eating things that can harm my plants like: grubs, larvae, slugs, beetles, grasshoppers, and snails. She will even take on mice and voles! While these will never replace my kibble, I am grateful to her for making my foliage safer. AND, do you know that this delicate little thing can stop the most ferocious beast in its tracks by simply releasing a defensive spray from her body?!! How awesome is that!



Yes, we are different from one another, but does that mean that we should not feel love for each other? Of course, I don’t know what Penelope thinks of me, but I remain hopeful. And please, remember that I love you too!

From your Church Dog, ***TobY***

Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God. Romans 15:7

Announcements

Worship- 11 a.m. on Sundays**. Communion,** the first Sunday of the month

Deacons Meeting- Tuesday, November 3rd in the library at 5:30 pm

Session Meeting-Tuesday, November 10th in the library at 5:15 pm.

Sunrise Side Drive Up Pantry- Saturday, November 21st from 9 to 10 am.

AA meetings- Mondays and Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

Westminster Sings!!- Tuesdays at 2 p.m. at The Brook.

Choir practice- Tuesdays at 10am.

The church office will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 26th and 27th in observance of Thanksgiving.

Community Thanksgiving Dinner-Thursday, November 26th at the St. Ignatius Gymnasium. Sign-up sheet in the narthex or you may call 989-734-3929.

Greening of the Sanctuary- Monday, November 30th: Men set up tree.
Tuesday, December 1st: Women decorate



"Celebrating the Season" Concert
Friday, December 4th at 7 pm
Westminster Presbyterian Church

November Birthdays!!

Ann Clapp	11/20
Linda Knopf	11/27
Andilyn Carrier	11/28



PRAYER LIST

Dusty Knaebe, for healing.

Fritz, Ed Knaebe's son, for healing of a skull fracture after a fall.

Shane, friend of Ann Clapps, for good medical decisions and care.

Theresa Lindsay, a friend of the Miller's, for God's perfect care.

Marcia Schleben, Friend of Ann Clapp, who is in rehab at Medilodge.

Jacqui Poch, who is in rehab at Medilodge.

Lori Storms Hilla, daughter of Dave Hilla, for comfort and peace.

Donna Diekoff of Toledo, friend of The Longs, who has breast cancer.

Joan Downs, sister of Jeanette & Richard Long, for comfort.

Joe Signorelli and Sadie Lucas as Joe's health and stamina are weakening.

We celebrate and praise God for:

Morgan & Jordan Cummings welcomed Daphne Lou on October 26th. A first great grandchild for Richard and Jeanette Long.

Rev. Karen who has been released from her arm sling and boot.

We pray for all those mourning.

We pray for those in the Military.

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ELDERS

Priscilla Jaeger	Clerk of Session
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	Music & Worship
Don McLennan	Personnel
	Christian Education
Mary Ann Heidemann	Building & Grounds/Nominations
	Membership/Fellowship/Outreach
Beach Hall	Missions/ Stewardship/Finance

DEACONS

Deacon Class of 2026	Deacon Class of 2027	Deacons Class of 2028
Gail Stoutenburg	Shelby Carrier	Maggie Morley
Lois Allum		Gene LaPointe

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