



# NEWSLETTER

## October-December 2022

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**HOLY COMMUNION.** We celebrate the Lord's Supper on October 2, November 6, and December 4. We anticipate Holy Communion with the following scripture: "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away." (John 6:35, 37)

### **NEW ADDRESS – BARB ALLISON.**

Barb Allison  
Baldwin House  
1915 Baldwin Rd., Apt. 18  
Pontiac, MI 48430

**HISTORICAL HOME TOUR.** We will participate with open doors and hospitality for an event on December 4 to benefit the Caro Roadhouse Museum and Historical Society. Please communicate with Nicholas Schmelter if you are able to help with Marie Freeman and Terry Wood for all or part of the open-door time, which begins at 1:00 p.m.

**CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY.** The thirty-minute Christmas Eve musical prelude begins at 7:00 p.m.; worship starts at 7:30 p.m. On Christmas Day, there will be a spoken service in the chapel at 10:00 a.m. "Faithful God, your promises stand unshaken through all generations. Renew us in hope, that we may be awake and alert watching for the glorious return of Jesus Christ, our judge and savior, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for forever and ever." (*Book of Common Worship*, p. 172)

**MUSIC AND THE SPOKEN WORD – MONTHLY SERVICE CONTINUES.** Thirty-minute Music and the Spoken Word services continue at 6:30 p.m. on the following Wednesdays: October 5, November 2, and December 7. Services include a time for silence, readings, prayers, and musical offerings. This is an excellent opportunity for evangelism and mission.

**TREASURER'S REPORT | September 2022.** Please note: the income total includes the contributions from the last Sunday in July.

Income: \$10,447.88

\$1,180.00 - Friends of Music  
\$110.00 - Good Samaritan Fund  
\$1,200 - Garage Roof Repair  
\$7,957.88 - Sunday Offerings

Expenses: \$7,125.77

\$300.00 - Friends of Music  
\$1,852.12 - Garage Roof Repair Supplies  
\$4,973.65 - Normal Operating Expenses

**OFFICE SUPPLIES AND PAPER PRODUCTS.** Please consider helping the congregation secure day-to-day supplies or products if you spot clearance items while shopping. 8.5 x 11” and 8.5 x 14” white copy paper is necessary for printing weekly worship bulletins and programs. The same can be said for coffee hour fellowship supplies.

**GOOD SAMARITAN CONTRIBUTIONS.** Are you aware that First Presbyterian Church budgets \$1,200 annually to support the initiatives of the Good Samaritan Fund? We receive offerings throughout the year to support this purpose. Please note “Good Samaritan Fund” on your check’s memo line if you choose to make a special contribution.

**FRIENDS OF MUSIC SERIES.** The 2022-2023 Friends of Music series continues as follows.

October 21, noon | Tyler Kivel (piano)

November 18, noon | Concerto for Three Harpsichords, BWV 1063 | Stefano Massera, William Jean Randall, Nicholas Schmelter (harpsichords); Chamber Orchestra

December 16, noon | Madalyn McHugh (musician, singer, actor)

January 20, noon | Wendy Wan-Hsing Chu (piano)

February 17, noon | Music for Flute and Classical Guitar | Townes Osborn Miller (flute); Brett Hoag (classical guitar)

**HOLY ROLLERS.** Holy Rollers Bowling Fellowship continues with the following schedule.

October 4	2:00 p.m.	Holy Rollers Bowling Fellowship
October 18	2:00 p.m.	Holy Rollers Bowling Fellowship
November 1	2:00 p.m.	Holy Rollers Bowling Fellowship
November 15	2:00 p.m.	Holy Rollers Bowling Fellowship
November 29	2:00 p.m.	Holy Rollers Bowling Fellowship
December 13	2:00 p.m.	Holy Rollers Bowling Fellowship
December 27	2:00 p.m.	Holy Rollers Bowling Fellowship

**MEN’S BREAKFAST.** Men’s breakfast dates for the coming months are below.

October 15	8:15 a.m.	Men’s Breakfast
November 19	8:15 a.m.	Men’s Breakfast
December 17	8:15 a.m.	Men’s Breakfast

**A PRAYER FOR THE HUMAN FAMILY.** “O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son. Look with compassion on the whole human family, take away the arrogance and hatred that infect our hearts, break down the walls that separate us, unite us in bonds of love, and, through our struggle and confusion, work to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord.” (reprinted by permission from Book of Common Worship, © 1993 Westminster/John Knox Press)