

**Northern Lakes Community Church
Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
5444 Herkner Road
Traverse City, MI 49684**



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September 2009 Newsletter

Our Mission Statement:

*Growing and sharing our love
for Jesus Christ.*

Our Biblical Theme (I Corinthians 3:7-9):

“So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes all things grow. All have one purpose...For we are God’s fellow workers; you are God’s field, God’s building.”

Our Purpose: Northern Lakes Community Church exists to make disciples and send apostles. Disciples follow Jesus Christ; apostles witness to Him. We make disciples by **worshipping** Jesus with joy, **teaching** His Gospel, and gathering **small groups** for Bible study and prayer. We send apostles by **witnessing** to Christ in the community, employing **members’ gifts for ministry**, and working to **serve human needs** near and far.

We pray that all we do will reflect the love of Jesus Christ, and be scriptural, authentic, and of the highest possible quality.

Deacons Ready to Serve! Deacons perform ministries of service and compassion. If you have, know of, or see a spiritual or physical need...Please contact a Deacon!

<i>Joe Deater</i>	<i>275-2270</i>
<i>Amy Elliott</i>	<i>499-1722</i>
<i>Shari Hanna</i>	<i>922-0304</i>
<i>Karen Johnson</i>	<i>938-3335</i>
<i>Jean Mahoney</i>	<i>947-2921</i>
<i>Sue Messner</i>	<i>276-6488</i>
<i>Donna Miller</i>	<i>929-3484</i>
<i>Sue Rice</i>	<i>947-7267</i>
<i>Doug Scherrer</i>	<i>631-4041</i>

♪♪♪ Praise the Lord! ♪♪♪



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Worship Schedule:

Northern Lakes Tuesday

Worship, 2:00 p.m. at The Village at Bay Ridge, 3950 Scenic Ridge (Silver Lake Rd., south of TC West Jr. High)

Lake Worship – 8:00 a.m. at

Taylor Park on Long Lake – bring a chair!

Praise Worship, Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages, 11:20 a.m.

Child Care Provided

Pastor: Mike Riggins

Music Director: Gretchen Palmer
gretchensings@gmail.com

Office

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Session Committee Chairs

Gene Adams – Property
228-4708

Julie Burton – Youth & Family
943-4642

Marge Doherty – Adult Ministries
946-0316

Scott Johnson – Worship
938-3335

Ron Messner - Clerk of Session
276-6488

Ed Smith - Personnel
930-4770

Eric Warren – Mission
933-0143

Gloria Wilson – Communication
276-7709

Schedule changes effective September

September 6 9:30 coffee hour
 10:00 worship
(No other programming due to Labor Day Weekend)

September 13 and Sundays following
 9:30 coffee hour
 10:00 worship
 11:15 Sunday School for all ages
 including adults and
 confirmation class

Congregational Meeting 9/20

To approve mortgage loan refinancing

Immediately following worship on September 20 the congregation will meet to approve the refinancing of our two mortgages into one new loan. This action will save the church about \$900 per month.

At that meeting we will ask the congregation to approve this resolution: “WHEREAS, the Congregation desires to borrow money from the Presbyterian Church (USA), Investment and Loan Program, Inc., (the “Program”) in the amount of \$674,500;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Congregation of the Northern Lakes Community Church (PCUSA) approves entering into a first Mortgage/Deed of Trust and Promissory Note with the Program for the purpose of refinancing the existing debt.”

Hands Around the School returns Sunday, 9/13

Join us after Sunday School as we gather with Christians from around the community to pray around the building at Traverse City West High School.

Prayer Concerns:

Please remember in prayer that they might be comforted:

The Carlson family
The Adair family
The Whitesel family
Marlene and Rich Goldstrohm
Sharon Webster
Rick, Katie and Sage Coe Lovejoy
Sally Stauffer
Father of Kathy Gauthier
Cpl. Josh Hoffman, severely injured in Iraq
Dan Lincoln, Pat Rhoades-Hall's nephew
Charlie Phelps in Bagdad, Iraq
Chris, Donna, Jack and Benjamin Miller
Gaea Corl
Rosemary Roberts
Mel and Jane Rotier
Our college students, both home and away.
Our service men and women, here and abroad.

The new medical privacy rules make it more difficult for pastors and deacons to learn who is hospitalized. Now, more than ever, it is extremely important for families of patients to notify the church when a person goes into the hospital. Please call the church office (935-4556) when you, or a loved one, go into the hospital!

Please call Pastor Riggins at church (935-4556) to activate the Prayer Chain. Or try Pastor Mike's cell phone number (342-1374).

Fall Fun Fair

The Village at Bay Ridge is "on the move" preparing for the **Fall Fun Fair**, our second annual fundraiser for the Alzheimer's Association.

The **Fall Fun Fair** will be held Wednesday, September 9th from 4:30-7 p.m. at The Village at Bay Ridge. The evening event will offer a hot dog dinner, complete with Moomer's Ice Cream (a minimum \$5.00 donation), an auction of two (2) Old Town Playhouse Season Tickets, and many other wonderful items.

The Happy Time Banjo's will provide musical entertainment, and a face painter and balloon artist will be available for your enjoyment. Please, mark your calendar so you can share this evening out with your family. Our fundraising goal this year is to earn \$3,500 for the Alzheimer's Association.

If you have any questions about the fundraiser, please contact Margaret Anne at The Village at Bay Ridge – East Office, at (231) 995-9385

Listen to Sermons

CDs made of each Sunday's sermon are available the following week on the top shelf of the bookcase at the back of the worship area. You may borrow a CD by using the signup sheet on the bookcase, or by calling the church office at 935-4556.

We also offer recent sermons in the mp3 format on our web site: www.northernlakescc.org

If you wish to make your own announcement, please call the church office (935-4556) by noon on the Wednesday before you would like to do so. We now permit representatives from programs of the church to make their own announcements just before worship begins. We ask only that you help us coordinate these announcements. Thank you!

Men's Fellowship Breakfast

September 19, 2009—8:00 a.m.—9:00 a.m.

Matt Hanna continues his "Men of the Bible" series; "Doing what's right".....*The lives and times of Boaz and Naomi.*

Join us for food, fellowship and fun. Bring a friend!

See Ed Smith, Ron Messner, or Gene Adams with questions.

Sunday School Resumes September 13

We will hold classes for all ages—including adults and the confirmation program—each Sunday from 11:15 until noon.

We will hold the **Church-wide Rummage Sale** September 24-26. Please sort through your closets, basements, garages, and attics for good, clean stuff to donate! We will need helpers starting Monday, September 21 every day until the sale to sort and set up. The sale runs Thursday, Friday and Saturday. We will need help those days to sell, pack and carry for customers, and to clean up. Anyone willing to help (male or female!) can either call Rita at 947-2089 or Marie at 938-0324.

ON-GOING EVENTS

- ❖ **Returnable Cans and Bottles (with MI 10¢ deposit)** may always be left at the church. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to help families who have emergency needs. If you would like to return the bottles and cans yourself and turn in the deposit, we would greatly appreciate your effort!
- ❖ **Bible Study:** Pastor Mike leads Bible Study at Clancy's Kitchen every **Tuesday at 7:00 a.m.**
- ❖ **Bible Study:** There is a women's Bible study at Kim Scherrer's house every **Wednesday at 7:00 pm.**
- ❖ **Jr-Sr. High Youth** meet 1st & 3rd Sundays; **Elementary Youth** meet 2nd & 4th Sundays. (Sept.- May)
- ❖ **NLCC is now collecting only Oleson's receipts and Campbell's UPCs** Look for reminder symbols on products for what to save. The front panel products do not work. Clip the Campbell symbol next to the UPC. Deposit boxes are available at the church. Oleson's receipts can be turned in at any time so we won't turn in receipts until we have at least the minimum.
- ❖ **NLCC also participates in a program at Gordon Food Services called Partnership in Savings.** If you present their card each time before you check out (Xeroxed cards are available on the table at NLCC. The UPC# on the card is 00200 9515), our church will get credit (a %) for your purchases! Carry it with you! Any dividend that we get from these ventures goes into the Operating Fund of our church. ***We all have to shop and eat – this is just an easy way to help out!*** Ask your friends and family to save their receipts for you! Every little bit helps! Questions? Suggestions? Call Church Office 935-4556.
- ❖ **Meijer's Community Rewards Program** is a simple way to augment our operating fund. **We receive a check every month!** All you have to do is present your card (this is not a credit card) to the clerk each time you check out! Applications for the Community Rewards Program are available at NLCC and at Meijer's stores. You may also register for this program online at www.Meijer.com/rewards. Our organization code number is **779560**.

**Statement of revenues and expenses through
July 30, 2009**

Operating Fund (includes building and mortgages):

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Revenues	\$104,344	\$114,093	\$ 9,749
Expenses	\$120,514	\$111,705	(-\$ 8,809)

YTD Positive or (Negative) Cash Flow: \$ 2,388

We have not paid our \$4,000 per capita assessment to the Presbytery.

Building Reserve Fund:

Previous balance:	\$ 6,345
Income to building reserve fund:	\$ -0-
Transfers to operating fund:	\$ -0-
Current balance:	\$ 6,345

Final amount borrowed on new building loan: \$200,743

For the first time in the calendar year of 2009 we have a positive cash flow and did not have to take from the building reserve fund to pay the mortgage!