

Northfield Presbyterian Church

The Good News

February 2026

(The Backstory:

⁴ So Moses chiseled out two stone tablets like the first ones and went up Mount Sinai early in the morning, as the LORD had commanded him; and he carried the two stone tablets in his hands. ⁵ Then the LORD came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the LORD. ⁶ And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, ⁷ maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation.")

⁹ Moses immediately threw himself to the ground and worshiped. And he said, "O Lord, if it is true that I have found favor with you, then please forgive our iniquity and our sins. Claim us as your own special possession." Exodus 34:-9

Dr. Warren Wiersbe writes, The people of Israel had no idea what Moses had experienced on that mountain and how close they had come to being rejected by God and destroyed. Never underestimate the spiritual power of a dedicated man or woman who knows how to intercede with God. One of our greatest needs today is for intercessors who can lay hold of God's promises and trust God to work in mighty power." Moses stepped between God and a people in rebellion and prayed. "Forgive *us* for *our* sins." Even if it doesn't feel natural to you, become an intercessor. Stand in the gap for politicians you don't like, for leaders whose personalities irk you, and for neighbors who leave you flummoxed.

What would happen in our day if Christians humbly stood in the gap, bowed low, and asked for God's mercy? A revival might break out.

Do for others what Jesus does for you each and every day.

Lord, break my heart for what breaks Yours! Forgive me for missing Your heart for Your wayward children. Teach me to pray. Help me to see Your image in the ones I struggle most to love. Give me a glimpse into their story so that Your compassion rises up within me. Make me a praying saint, O Lord. Amen.

Prevail: 365 Days of Enduring Strength from God's Word,
by Susie Larson, 2020
Special thanks to Sharon Hofmeister for sharing

FROM THE SESSION

Good News Summary of Session meeting January 18^h, 2026

1. A Congregational Life committee was added to the Session committees in order to help plan activities to foster fellowship within our congregation as well as opportunities to reach out to the community. This committee will be comprised of at least one Elder, a Deacon and members from the congregation.
2. Session has elected to participate in all three special offering from the Presbytery this year. One Great Hour of Sharing donations will be collected from 2/18/26 to 4/5/26.
3. Deana Fenn is coordinating the return of an evening weeklong summer session of Vacation Bible School. Stay tuned for more details and opportunities to help!

Minutes submitted by Michelle Williamson, Clerk



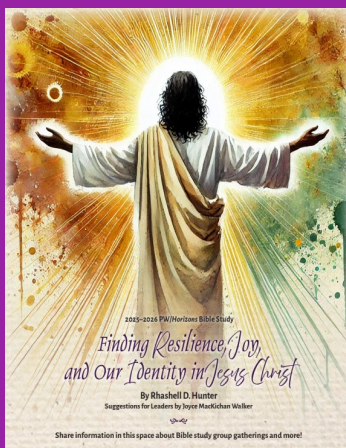
Katie Juhas	1st
Pauline Enczur	2nd
Kathy Moore	4th
Joyce Selzer	9th
Jeanne Swanson	13th
Abby Williamson	15th

NOTEWORTHY NEWS from January Deacons Meeting

from Co-Moderators Barb and Stacy

The deacons are off to a busy start for 2026!

- The curtains behind the alter will be changed to white on February 15 and then to purple on February 22nd for Lent.
- Karen Koenig will now be overseeing items needed for communion.
- Sign up sheets are being completed for all upcoming coffee hours for 2026, and the deacon's closet has been restocked.
- Patty Fenn has completed the Usher's and Greeter's schedule for 2026.
- Ron and Cindy Maxhimer will be handling Easter flowers and more details will be coming in the following weeks.
- Katie Juhas will be handling care packages next month for college students and military families with details coming soon as well.
- Finally, Barb Anderson will be overseeing a new program called Faith Connections which will be introduced to the congregation and starting up in February.



WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

All women of NPC are invited to join us on the Second Monday of each month. Our next meeting is February 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the living area. We are in lesson six Finding Our Joy in Christ "I Will Say it Again, Rejoice" in our bible study Finding Resilience, Joy and Our Identity in Jesus Christ, by Rhashell D. Hunter. Come and join us for fellowship and bible study. There is no prep work so you can just come and listen and participate.

We are still collecting items for The Emergency Assistance Center. The month of February we are focusing on incontinence underwear for men and women, but any items that you would like to donate are always appreciated.

COMFORTING WORDS - Our Christian Women's Book Club

The Nature of Fragile Things, by Susan Meissner, takes us into twisted relationships and sincere bonds of love, all in a factual overview of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake and the resulting fires. Come join our discussion on Tuesday, February 24, 5:30, in the living area of our church.

Then, at the end of February, we will shift our attention to our March novel, the heart-filled and acclaimed When Crickets Cry, by Charles Martin.

February is the official American Heart Month, and Mr. Martin supports the American Heart Association with this book!

Get your book and mark your calendar for the Book Club's discussion on April 14. All women are welcome!



Finance / Property / Stewardship Committee Report

United Presbyterian Church aka Northfield Presbyterian Church

Profit and Loss

January - December 2025

	TOTAL		
	JAN - DEC 2025	JAN - DEC 2024 (PY)	CHANGE
Income			
4XXX INCOME	180,166.19	175,751.03	4,415.16
Total Income	\$180,166.19	\$175,751.03	\$4,415.16
GROSS PROFIT	\$180,166.19	\$175,751.03	\$4,415.16
Expenses			
51XX SALARIES	78,490.07	47,104.11	31,385.96
52XX OTHER PAYROLL COSTS	7,337.78	3,332.58	4,005.20
53XX Service Costs (leadership)	5,612.44	4,078.84	1,533.60
54XX BUILDING & GROUNDS	54,714.93	35,734.34	18,980.59
55XX CHURCH OFFICE	5,632.97	6,644.47	-1,011.50
56XX CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	24.95	7.88	17.07
57XX WORSHIP	2,293.61	2,604.23	-310.62
58XX EVANGELISM	125.00	125.00	0.00
59XX MISSIONS	7,263.06	5,281.85	1,981.21
Total Expenses	\$161,494.81	\$104,913.30	\$56,581.51
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$18,671.38	\$70,837.73	\$ -52,166.35
Other Income			
9XXX Non Operating Sources of Revenue	1,819.10	9,524.78	-7,705.68
Total Other Income	\$1,819.10	\$9,524.78	\$ -7,705.68
Other Expenses			
Reconciliation Discrepancies	-4,521.66		-4,521.66
Total Other Expenses	\$ -4,521.66	\$0.00	\$ -4,521.66
NET OTHER INCOME	\$6,340.76	\$9,524.78	\$ -3,184.02
NET INCOME	\$25,012.14	\$80,362.51	\$ -55,350.37



February 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 Communion 10:15 Worship Annual Meeting follows worship</p> <p>12:30 VBC Worship</p>	2	3	4	<p>5</p> <p>7pm Choir 8pm AA</p>	6	7
<p>8</p> <p>10:15 Worship Deacons meeting</p> <p>12:30 VBC Worship</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10am Women's Association</p>	10	11	<p>12</p> <p>7pm Choir 8pm AA</p>	13	<p>14</p> <p>Valentine's Day</p>
<p>15</p> <p>10:15 Worship Session meeting</p> <p>12:30 VBC Worship</p>	16	17	<p>18</p> <p>ASH WEDNESDAY</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7pm Choir 8pm AA</p>	20	21
<p>22</p> <p>10:15 Worship P&F meeting</p> <p>12:30 VBC Worship</p>	23	<p>24</p> <p>5:30 pm Women's Book Club</p>	25	<p>26</p> <p>7pm Choir 8pm AA</p>	27	28

Mission Committee News



Bethany Miller will be joining us on Sunday, March 1 to present a Moment for Mission.

RAHAB Ministries began with one woman who had a heart to serve the women who were being trafficked in Akron, OH. She went out into the streets to connect with them, offering conversation, kindness, prayers and helping any way she could. More than twenty years later, this heart to love like Jesus in the darkest of circumstances remains the foundation of our work.

Over the years RAHAB's services have expanded to multiple Northeast Ohio counties and includes Outreach on streets, in strip clubs and in jail facilities, two Drop-In Homes, and mentoring for youth.

In all of our programs, RAHAB staff and volunteers commit to serving survivors with safe, non-judgmental support, connection, and assistance as the first steps towards freedom.



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

What does the Lord require of you?

...to do justice

and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God. Micah 6:8

Responding to Christ's call to ministries of compassion for the world's most vulnerable.



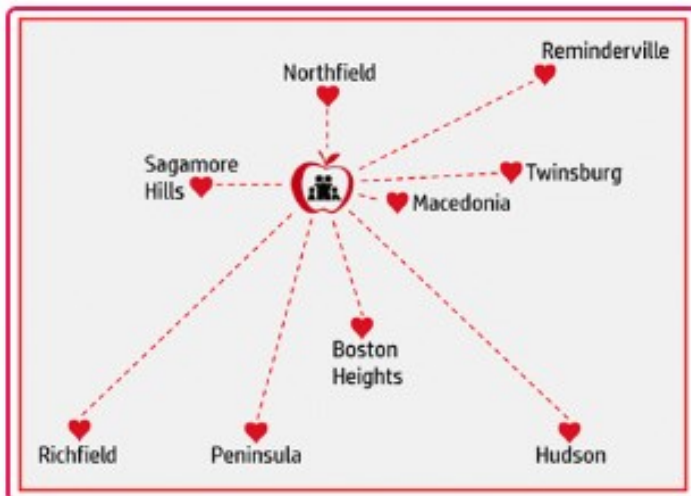
One Great Hour of Sharing
Presbyterian Special Missions
Feb 18 - April 5

Serve the "least of these" among us: each gift to this Special Mission supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance.



THE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE CENTER

Love Your Neighbor



In December 2025, we served 562 people in 223 households including 210 seniors and 111 children. There were 7 new families (23 people) who came to TEAC for help for the first time.

The Emergency Assistance Center
9433 Olde 8 Rd, Ste B
Northfield, OH 44067
330-467-7945