



Connections

Our mission is to connect with God, as we live by faith, are known by love, and cultivate hope.

HERE AT ROBERTS

We are distinct and diverse community of Christians that come together as one church, united in Spirit to love all, welcome all, and seek justice for all.

WORSHIP

Sundays

February 2, 9, 16, & 23

10:00 a.m.

Communion is offered *February 2nd*

ONLINE WORSHIP

<https://www.robertsucc.org/media/>

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 5th & 19th

RUCCUS Program & Worship

February 6th

Community Dinner

February 12th & 26th

Confirmation

February 17th

Gertens Spring Plant Sale

Begins

February 20th

SHIFT! Provides a Meal at Grace Place



GERTEN'S GREENHOUSE SPRING PLANT SALE

coordinated by SHIFT!

You're invited to shop for your spring plant needs through our online fundraising site beginning

February 17th.

Simply visit <http://www.gertensfundraising.com/> and **Enter ID #744** to order from a large selection of available options.

SHIFT! will receive **30%** of all sales and 20% from all gift cards purchased. The proceeds will be used to support our community outreach ministry programs.

Deadline for placing orders is

10 PM on Monday, March 31st.

Order early for best availability!

All products will be delivered directly to the church on

May 8th. A SHIFT team member will call you when things are ready for you to pick up!

If you have any questions or would like assistance placing an order, contact

Lori Jurek at 715-220-7432 or (lorijurek@gmail.com).

Thank you for your support!



Roberts Congregational United Church of Christ

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***And it was so. God saw everything that he had made,
and indeed, it was very good.***

– Genesis 1:30b-31a

My mind has been wandering and racing all day. A million things to get done...juggling church/work schedule, kids' schedules, outside organization schedules, and personal schedule...and the extreme weather to complicate it all. Maybe it is time to re-prioritize my time.

I'm a firm believer that most of life's storms are just that...God's way of forcing us to slow down and reevaluate things in life. It is often easier to just say yes when we are asked to do things than to really evaluate whether or not we have the time to truly devote to them. Are we really doing anyone any good by stretching ourselves and others so thin though?

One place my mind wandered off to today was thinking about the stories of Creation in the first two chapters of Genesis (and yes, my mind takes me on these odd little trips quite often...I like to think of it as God's way of talking to me). In those two stories God has a major task at hand and each day takes on a portion of the larger task. In one story God rests at the end of each smaller task and the other at the end of the larger project. In both cases God is creating life with pause or rest between, to observe and enjoy the life being created.

We might do well to learn from that example as we live/build our lives. Are we taking time to enjoy the beauty created by the work we have done (or the work being done through us)? Are we resting sufficiently in order to take on the next day's tasks? Maybe it's time we slow down enough to be able to truly enjoy the gift of life we've been given!

Wherever you are today, be aware of God being present with you. Take a little time to evaluate what it is God is asking of you and where you might be being guided to go. Enjoy the fruits of what God is doing in and through you. Then, give thanks for all the beauty of that work and the work others are doing, in order to make this life one filled with joy and happiness for all God's creatures.

God bless you all!

Peace,

Pastor Burt

2025 BULLETIN SPONSORSHIP

How does it work? Congregants choose a date for a special person or special event to be remembered, to be honored, or to be celebrated. The information will appear in the bulletin so the congregation can come alongside in remembering, honoring, or celebrating. In the past, members have given a \$15 free-will donation to the church. This has been helpful in offsetting the cost of bulletin expenses. If you choose to donate, please do so prior to your chosen sponsorship date. If paying by check, please make payable to RUCC, noting "bulletin sponsorship" in the memo line.

Sign up in the narthex or go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4EABA92AA3FAC61-53283980-2025#/>



Saturday, May 3rd
Starting at 9:00am
 Watch for Sign-up



FMSC MEAL PACKING
SATURDAY, MARCH 29th
9:30 am – 11:15 am

Sign up in the gathering area or Signup Genius with the following link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4EABA92AA3FAC61-54455302-march#/>

If you need help with registration or have any questions, please call Michelle Hansen 715-377-8887 or email shell_329@hotmail.com.

GIVING MADE EASIER!*TIRED OF WRITING CHECKS?*

Our church offers **Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)** to make your gift giving easier.

Your EFT will occur on the 15th of each month based on your designated amount. Simply contact the church office to fill out a form.

You may also donate through our website, www.robertsucc.org/giving. Choose "**give now.**" Then use **PayPal** or a **credit/debit card**. Our site is secure & your information is safe.

Any questions and for a form, please contact the office.* Thank you!

COMMUNITY

Dinner

Thursday, February 6, 2025

4:30pm - 6:30pm

MENU: Lasagna, lettuce salad, dinner rolls, relish tray, assorted bars, & beverages

Adults: \$7 Children (5-13) \$4 Children (under 5) FREE

Everyone is Welcome! (Take Out Meals Available Upon Request)

Sponsored by Women's Fellowship

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Generosity
changes everything



SHIFT! Providing a Meal at Grace place
February 20th

"The goal of Grace Place Shelter is to promote self-sufficiency by providing a safe and secure environment, giving individuals the opportunity to overcome unresolved issues. Through education, individuals are encouraged to be responsible for themselves and others. During their 30-90 day stay we identify any immediate needs and develop a housing stabilization plan for the family. Our extensive program empowers individuals and families to become independent, creating a safer community for all of us."

Ongoing donations are accepted. A full list of needed items for the residents, can be located by the nursery.

2025 Council & Board Positions

Roberts Congregational United Church of Christ

Rev. Burt D. Williams, pastor
Office Administrator

pastor@robertsucc.org
secretary@robertsucc.org

(563) 387-7093
(715) 749-3225

Council

Moderator (2 Year Term)

(2027) Lori Jurek² (715) 220-7432

Church Clerk (1 Year Term)

(2026) Laura Logas¹ (651) 341-7639

Treasurer (1 Year Term)

(2026) Open

Board of Trustees (3 Year Term)

(2028) Patti Robertson² (715) 531-8611

(2028) Dianne Loewel² (651)343-7614

(2027) Dylan Hueman¹ (715) 619-1390

(2027) Roger Ray¹ (715) 410-8393

(2026) Tony Jurek² (715) 531-5170

(2026) Don Graf¹ (715) 749-3854

Board of Deacons (3 Year Term)

(2028) Megan Frye² (715) 441-6501

(2028) Brett Budrow¹(715) 928-0210

(2027) Duane Loewel² (715) 690-7599

(2027) Open

(2026) Connie Mueller¹ (715) 220-6685

(2026) Bruce Riggins¹ (303) 881-4601

Board of Christian Education (3 Year Term)

(2028) Danielle Logas¹ (651) 428-8905

(2028) Open

(2027) Toni Williams² (563) 379-0786

(2027) Michelle Hansen² (715) 377-8887 (2026)

Jenny Korn¹ (715) 928-3532

(2026) Kelly Hueman¹ (847) 513-2186

Women's Fellowship Committee

President: Judy Snoeyenbos (715) 410-1909

Vice President: Lori Jurek (715) 220-7432

Secretary: Nancy Kirouac (651) 269-6103

Treasurer: Judy Snoeyenbos (715) 410-1909

Food Pantry

Connie Mueller (715) 220-6685**

Lori Jurek (715) 220-7432

Laurene Ray (715) 821-7811*

Don Graf (715) 749-3854

SHIFT (Serving Him in Faith Together)

Coordinator: Lori Jurek (715) 220-7432

Secretary: Margie Ricci (715) 377-6593

** Indicates Chairperson

* Indicates Secretary

¹ Denotes 1st Term

² Denotes 2nd Term

³ Denotes 3rd Term (only applies to Treasurer and Church Clerk)

WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP DINNER COMMITTEES FOR 2025

Women’s Fellowship meetings are open to all and held at 3:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month, except for June and July.
The monthly Community Dinner follows from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

**Chairperson of the committee needs to be REIMBURSED for expenses beyond any food donated.
All (hot) main entrees are to be dished up from the service window. Sides can be on a self-serve table.**

Each committee determines their menu and needs to take home everything they bring. Nothing should be left in the refrigerator.
If you cannot serve at your appointed time, please notify your chairperson. If you are not listed and would like to serve, please contact one of the Executive Committee members.

Serve dinner from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Plan food for 50-75 people

Note: All food must be made at the church –STATE LAW!!

January 2, 2025

Nancy Kirouac **Chairman
Mary Grupe (furnish only)
Carol & Terry Dull
Roene Frederick
Mandy Clay
Megan Frye
Betty Schultz
Mary Schultz

February 6, 2025

Lori Jurek **Chairman
Jacque Nelson
Sheryl Budrow
Dawn Budrow
Toni Williams

March 6, 2025

Dianne Loewel *Co-Chair
Katy Kapaun *Co-Chair
Audrey Ackley
Jean Johnson
Chris
Bohl

April 3, 2025

Margie Ricci *Co-Chair
Mary Thorsen *Co-Chair
Laurie Monteith
Danielle Johnson
Jane Bond
Kelly Hueman

May 1, 2025

Judy Snoeyenbos **Chairman
Betty Schultz
Mary Schultz
Cheryl Cowles
Lori Jurek
Toni Williams
Laurene Ray

June, July & Aug 2025



September 4, 2025

Katy Kapaun *Co-Chair
Dianne Loewel *Co-Chair
Laura Logas
Wanda Hopkins
Trudy Hinkel
Elizabeth Croes

October 2, 2025

Lori Jurek **Chairman
Nancy Kirouac
Darla Ramberg
Toni Williams
Beth Rogers
Deb Phillips
Duane Loewel

November 6, 2025

Michelle Hansen *Co-Chair
Laurene Ray *Co-Chair
Pat Colbeth
Glenda Hansen
Suzie Lange
Nancee Hurlburt
Mary Jo Ball
Sally Mahlstadt

December 4, 2025

Patti Robertson **Chairman
Sharon Pizzi
Lori Gulich
Judy Snoeyenbos
Laura Logas
Lori Jurek

January 2, 2026

Nancy Kirouac **Chairman
Mary Grupe (furnish only)
Carol & Terry Dull
Roene Frederick
Mandy Clay
Megan Frye
Betty Schultz
Mary Schultz

February 5, 2026

Lori Jurek **Chairman
Jacque Nelson
Sheryl Budrow
Dawn Budrow
Toni Williams

<u>Executive Committee</u>		<u>On-Call List</u> (Will serve additional months if needed.)	
President: Judy Snoeyenbos	715-410-1909	Lori Jurek	Judy Snoeyenbos
Vice President: Lori Jurek	715-220-7432	Dianne Loewel	Mary Thorsen
Secretary: Nancy Kirouac	651-269-6103	Laura Logas	Laurene Ray
Treasurer: Judy Snoeyenbos	715-410-1909	Connie Mueller	



**Purchase a Gift Card from RUCC
& Support Our Church**

There are **100's of popular retailers**. **Browse First:** <https://www.raiseright.com/>. When you are ready to order online, create an account.

You can also print a form <http://www.robertsucc.org/mt-content/uploads/2023/05/raiseright-form.pdf> or pick up a form at church.

Completed forms, along with payment, can be dropped off at any time in the RaiseRight (SCRIP) box or mailed to the church.

We have 2-\$100 gift cards on hand with no waiting. If the card isn't on hand, the orders are placed the 2nd and 4th week each month. Dianne will contact you when your gift card(s) are ready.

All questions, including obtaining a code when creating your account, should be directed to Dianne Loewel at: gmaloewel@gmail.com.

February Anniversaries

February 9
Danielle & Justin Johnson

February 15
Jamie & Melissa Delander



February
BIRTHDAYS

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| February 1
Mark Clay | February 17
Leslie Dull | February 25
Barb Haas |
| February 2
Pete Ament | February 19
Shelly Dull | February 27
Ken Fern
Axl Korn |
| February 13
Dave McKenna | February 20
Laurene Ray | February 28
John Vorwald |
| February 15
Delila Johnson | February 21
Carol Dull
Roger Ray | |

PLEASE HOLD THE FOLLOWING IN PRAYER

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| Earl Pechuman | Linda Hall | Terry McKinley |
| Audrey Ackley | Tom Sullwold | Joyce Johnson |
| Sharon Johnson | Lowell Johnson | Wanda Hopkins |
| Andrew Korn | Rodney Korn | Kinsley Bruun |
| Jerry Johnson | Jamie Koch | |



For all those serving in our law enforcement, first responders, military, healthcare settings, and those in Ukraine; for all those not listed above but needing prayer, we lift you up. If you, or anyone you know, would like to be added to the prayer list, please let us know.

Thank you for helping to keep our prayer list current.

CHURCH COUNCIL
ROBERTS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF CHRIST
January 2, 2025

Lori Jurek (Moderator, S.H.I.F.T. and Women's Fellowship), Tony Jurek (Trustees), Duane Loewel (Deacons and Church Board Team), Pastor Burt, and Connie Mueller

Meeting was called to order by Lori at 6:00 P.M.

Meeting opening was led by Pastor Burt.

Minutes: December minutes were reviewed. Motion was made by Duane to approve the minutes and seconded by Tony . Motion carried.

Trustees:

- Going to QuickBooks online for accounting
- A partial audit will be done due to the change in accounting this past year.
- Sign's light is working.
- The budget for 2025 is ready for church approval.
- Will restructure the church ledger to make it less complicated.
- Brent Ackley will do back up snowplowing.

Women's Fellowship:

- Church books are ready for audit.
- Dishwasher unit was repaired, but the soap dispensing unit still is not functioning properly.

Church Board Team:

- Have not met since the last council meeting.

Christian Education: (submitted by Toni)

- Secret Santa dinner postponed due to low anticipated attendance. Will try for a Christmas dinner in July.
- Christmas program went well. Thanks to Jenny Korn for her leadership.
- RUCCUS starts again on Jan. 15th with a game night.
- Confirmation meeting will be held on Jan. 8, with the first confirmation class being held on Jan. 21

Deacons:

- Have not had a meeting since the last council meeting.
- Danielle Logas has agreed to go on the Board of Christian Education

Pastor's Report:

- The Christmas Fund Raiser went well. Profit was over \$1,270.00.
- Special thanks to all of the musicians for the Christmas Eve special music.
- Pastor reviewed the 2024 Overall Attendance and Giving
- Becky Davidson has agreed to play more regularly.

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CHURCH COUNCIL
ROBERTS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF CHRIST
January 2, 2025

S.H.I.F.T

- No meeting will be held in January.
- Profit from cookie sales: \$472.00

New Business:

- Audit: Will be held on Jan. 11
- Annual Meeting: Will add an item in the agenda for the Church Board Team to give a progress report.
- 2025 meeting schedule: Maintain the first Thursday meetings, but begin at 6:30

Meetings:

Next meeting: Feb. 6 (6:30 P.M.) The Deacon representative will do the opening.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Mueller, Church Clerk


NOTES FROM THE TREASURER

Detailed minutes of the Trustee meetings, including full financial statements are available upon request

General Fund Financial Summary as of December 31, 2024

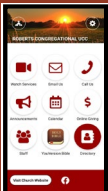
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<p>Please remember to check the website for our REAL TIME calendar updates.</p>						1
<p>2 10am Worship w/Holy Communion</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 6pm Deacons Meeting</p>	<p>5 5:30pm RUCCUS Potluck 6pm RUCCUS & Worship 6:15pm Bell Choir</p>	<p>6 3:30pm WF Meeting 4:30pm Community Dinner 6:30pm Council Meeting</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>
<p>9 10am Worship <i>RaiseRight Orders Due</i></p>	<p>10 6:30pm SHIFT! Meeting</p>	<p>11 6pm CE Meeting</p>	<p>12 6pm Confirmation Class 6:15pm Bell Choir</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 </p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16 10am Worship</p>	<p>17 <i>Gertens Spring Plant Sale Begins</i> President Day</p>	<p>18 6:30pm Trustees Meeting</p>	<p>19 5:30pm RUCCUS Potluck 6pm RUCCUS & Worship 6:15pm Bell Choir</p>	<p>20 5pm SHIFT! Provides a Meal to Grace Place Residents <i>Newsletter Deadline</i></p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23 10am Worship <i>RaiseRight Orders Due</i></p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 6pm Confirmation Class 6:15pm Bell Choir</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	



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