

Connections

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

WORSHIP

Sundays November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10:00 a.m.

Communion is offered November 2nd

ONLINE WORSHIP

https://www.robertsu cc.org/media/

November 5th & 19th

All Church RUCCUS
Potluck
All Church RUCCUS
Service

November 6th

Community Dinner

November 12th

Confirmation

November 21st

Thanksgiving Meal Ordering Deadline

November 22nd

Craft Fair

November 23rd

Church Advent Decorating

November 26th

Red Cross Blood Drive

November 27th

Thanksgiving Meal Pickup

November 30th

Advent Discussion Group Week 1

From the Pastor's Desk

Advent is Coming...



Advent 2025 is right around the corner, and we have some wonderful things coming up. We kick off the Advent season with our Annual Church Decorating on November 23rd starting right after service that morning. All are invited to come and join us in preparing the church for the celebration of the birth of our Savior. If you haven't attended before, we are inviting you now. Come take part and put your heart and hands into making this one of our best Advents yet.

Our theme this year will be "Come Be ALIVE with Us" as we look at the real-life God offers us as he sends Jesus into our lives in a very real way. In order to help us along on this journey, I have developed a daily devotional for the season which starts officially on November 30th. We are offering this devotional as well as one of two options of candle holders for the weekly candle lighting portion of the devotional.



We are offering the devotional and one candle holder per family as a free gift to you and your family as a way to help you along your Advent Journey this year. Simply respond to this email, or get in touch with Pastor Burt at <u>pastor@robertsucc.org</u> or 563-387-7093 to put your order in no later than November 16th so everything can be available by November 23rd. The devotional will also come in both regular and large print editions.

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From the Pastor's Desk

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For any that are interested in discussing what they have been reading and digging a little deeper, we will host a discussion group on the devotional right after service starting November 30th.

On **December 6th**, the RUCCUS Families will be doing a Freewill Fundraiser, "RUCCUS for a Reason: Bringing more Joy to the Season," where they will be making out cards to be sent out to your loved ones in need of some Christmas Cheer, or making Christmas-gram calls with Merry Christmas Greetings and carols being sung. You choose, give them the name and phone number or address of the individual you wish to send Christmas Cheer to. All proceeds will be going to THUG Life. For more information contact Toni Willians at <a href="mailto:dreamailto:

December 13th is the **RUCCUS Christmas Pageant** at 11am here at the church. This year it is the "Great Manger Mystery." A wonderful look at the Christmas Story through the eyes of the animals at the stable! This day we will also be down at the Park Building for Christmas on Main from 1-3pm representing the church with "Make and Take" Christmas ornaments for the kids visiting with Santa to do. Please come and give us a hand if you are able. It is a great way to represent the church and interact with our next generation!

December 14th will be our **4**th **Annual Cookie Sale** here at the church after service. Come stock up on your favorite Christmas cookies or gather some to give as gifts. With all the wonderful bakers here at the church you are sure to walk away with some great, sweet treasures!

Christmas Eve will be on Wednesday, December 24th, with service at 4pm and 11pm. Our 4pm service will be more family oriented as we have done in the past and the 11pm service will be a traditional Candlelight service. Advent is coming and there are many ways in which you are being invited to "Come Be ALIVE" (Accepted, Loved, Invited, Valued, and Encouraged) with Us!

Peace,

Pastor Burt



Questions: Judy Snoeyen@gmail.com, Lori Jurek <u>lorijurek@gmail.com</u>, or the church office secretary@robertsucc.org.



CHRISTMAS CLOTHESLINE

The Christmas Clothesline will be up, and tags will be available:

Sunday, November 16th

Gifts will be due back to church:

December 14th

Thank you for the generous support you've always shown this ministry!

Nancy Kírouac



Thank you to the small group who attended FMSC on October 11th. Altogether many children were fed.

Thank you all for your support, we raised \$160 in donations for FMSC without the noisy offering.

Please watch for upcoming opportunities to make a difference for hungry children around the world.

Michelle Hansen

(715) 377-8887

Email: shell 329@hotmail.com





Saturday November 22, 2025
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Roberts Congregational United Church of Christ
1001 Birch Drive
Roberts, WI 54023

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS!

November 22nd 9 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

We are looking for creative people to join our craft sale.

Please reach out to Jane Bond or Danielle Johnson with questions or register at barnyard.creations08@gmail.com

A full flyer can be found on our website https://www.robertsucc.org/events/calendar

On the calendar, choose the date and event. You will then find the flyer w/more information.



Sunday November 23rd 11:00 a.m.

Everyone is invited!

The Deacons have set the date.

Please come for a fun way to participate in decorating our church.

Please note the date & time change from the October Newsletter.



ENJOY A THANKSGIVING DINNER PREPARED JUST FOR YOU!

PURCHASE YOUR PRE-MADE THANKSGIVING DINNER, READY FOR PICK-UP ON THANKSGIVING MORNING 10AM – 12PM. (ORDER BY: NOVEMBER 21ST).

By: Plate by Kate

\$15.00 per person includes

- Roasted Turkey
- Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
- Green Bean Casserole or Broccoli with Cheese Sauce
- Dressing
- Dinner Rolls & Butter
- Pie (Pumpkin or Apple)

LOOKING FOR MORE? (CONTACT KATY FOR PRICING)

Sliced Ham Sweet Potatoes Homemade Mac and Cheese Cheesy Hashbrowns

PICK UP AT: ROBERTS UCC; 1001 BIRCH DR.; ROBERTS, WI

Place your order by contacting Katy Kapaun @ 715-222-8153.











Want to send someone a little extra cheer this Christmas Season? This year for Advent, the RUCCUS kids are hosting a free will donation fundraiser that features phone calls with

Christmas blessings and caroling, as well as making and sending special Christmas cards. See the church narthex for a sign-up sheet.



Deadline for signing up is December 1st and phone calls will be made on **December 6th.** All proceeds will be donated to THUG Life.

See the CE Team for any questions.





Christmas on Main

Interested in representing our amazing church family to the community?

Come Be A.L.I.V.E. with us on Saturday, December 13th for the Roberts Christmas on Main event. We will be sharing some make and take ornaments with the kids at the Roberts Park Building 1:00-3:00pm while they wait to visit with Santa! See Pastor Burt or Toni Williams to sign up or for any questions.

SAVE THE DATE

Christmas

THE GREAT MANGER MYSTERY

December 13th

11:00 a.m.

Pageant The RUCCUS kids and Christian Ed team invite you to join us for the kids' presentation of The Great Manger Mystery! Be a witness to what the animals had to say on that blessed night so many years ago. With chickens, sheep, camels, donkeys, and cows, it's sure to be an entertaining time in the barn! (And yes, camels DO talk in this one!)

A time of cookie fellowship will follow the program.



ROBERTS UCC UNDERSTANDING SCRIPTURE

ALL ARE WELCOME All are invited to come and join us as a church family.

Please bring a dish to pass, beverages and plates/utensils for your group/family.

5:30 PM **POTLUCK MEAL** 6:00 PM **FAMILY** WORSHIP 6:30 PM ADULT/CHILD **STUDY** 7:15 PM **CLOSING** WORSHIP

NOVEMBER

5TH GOD IS PATIENT WHILE WE GROW 19TH GOD CELEBRATES US

DECEMBER

3RD CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE 10^{TH} CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE 13TH **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 10AM** DRESS REHEARSAL

11AM PROGRAM

November Birthdays

- 01 | Analeigh Gonzalez
- 02 | Missy Gooding Jean Lindus
- 09 | Connie Cox
- 11 | Chloe Adrian



- 12 | Brianna Rolling Ashley Stone
- 14 | Jane Bond Leroy Lindquist
- 17 | Suzie Lange
- 18 | Krysta Hoyer
- 21 | Avery Adrian

- 24 | Kelly Hueman
- 26 | Brett Budrow Joe Schultz
- 28 | Tracy Ronnander
- 29 | Megan Frye
- 30 | Lori Jurek



If we have missed your Birthday or Anniversary, please call the office.

Thank you.



Earl Pechuman Lowell Johnson Rodney Korn Sheryl Johnson

Terry McKinley Wanda Hopkins Kinsley Bruun Todd Graf Sharon Johnson Andrew Korn Nikki Freeman Jason Muller

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.

If you have added someone to the prayer list, please keep us updated.



STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY UPDATE

Did you miss Stewardship Sunday on October 19th? It's not too late to turn in your pledge cards for 2026. Either bring them to worship, drop them off in the office, or mail them to the church address located on the front and back pages of the newsletter.

If you give electronically or would like to start electronic giving, please contact the office to complete a 2026 Electronic Giving Form.

We thank you for your faithful commitment to the ministries here at Roberts UCC and we look forward to your partnership in Dreaming God's Dream, 2026.

COUNCIL REPORT ROBERTS CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST OCTOBER 2025

No meeting was held this report is done off of board reports.

CE

Game night was September 17^{th.}

Collect offering and save it up for end of season pizza party.

Pastor Burt will do the opening using the Bible story.

Christmas program will be "The Great Manager Mystery;" the program is set for December 13th at 11 with practice at 10 a.m.

Feed my starving children is Oct 11.

Deacons

Pastor Burt vacation dates are 10/12, 11/09, and 11/23.

Need to do better at getting worship volunteers.

Advent starts Nov 30th.

Decorate church on Nov 29th at 10.

Using the ALIVE theme along with Peace, Hope, Love, and Joy.

Stewardship is Sunday Oct 19^{th.}

Trustees

Auction cleared \$11017.50 thank you Roger for your hard work.

Budget drafted.

Discussed using left over brick to make a shed for the garbage cans.

Floor waxing will be done in October.

Women's Fellowship

Served 170 people and raised over \$2000 for the celebration dinner.

Appreciative of Kate Kapaun and her team for donating and preparing most of the food

Fall rummage sale brought in \$1400.

Kitchen inspection was held, no serious infractions just a couple of recommendations made.

S.H.I.F.T

Request for feel good kits

Over \$600 was raised for the craft sale during the dinner.

Thank you to Megan and Mandy for organizing it.

Pastor report

Vacation scheduled

Oct 6-13

Nov 3-10

Nov 17-24

Deacons are making a visitation team.

Brent found a set of speakers that will run about \$1500; if we purchase them, it would complete our sound system.

Contacted Faron Fuller about building the shed with the left-over bricks.

Made some wheeled dollies for moving the long tables.

Some people attending church have asked to become members.

The theme for Advent this year will be "Come BE ALIVE with Us."

Next meeting November 6 at 6:30.

Laura Logas, Church Clerk

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



November 26, 2025 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

ROBERTS UCC

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit www.RedCrossBlood.org

and enter: **Roberts** to schedule an appointment.

You can also use the direct link:

https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html /drive-results?zipSponsor=Roberts

Contact **Patti** with any questions: pattirobertson13@gmail.com
715-531-8611

Download the Blood Donor App | RedCrossBlood.org | 1-800-RED CROSS

Give blood Nov. 17 – Dec. 7 for an exclusive pair of Red Cross x PAC-MAN socks, while supplies last. See flyers for QR codes.





Please log on to https://www.raiseright.com/ to find Instructions for setting up an account with RaiseRight to benefit Roberts Congregational UCC. Our Participant code is 24AA8C4E36429. Some of the ways to earn money for our church are:

Purchase Gift Cards from the many brands found on the site: Traditional, Reloadable, and E-gift cards are available.

Shop Online – See specific brands listed on the website.

New feature – rebates from local restaurants (must look for participating restaurants on the website and tie your credit card or debit card to RaiseRight so the rebate can be recorded at the time of checkout).

All rebates are electronically deposited to our Roberts UCC SCRIP bank account.

Also, RaiseRight offers a **Mobile App** for your phone. So many possibilities to raise funds for our church.

Please go to the Raise Right site and explore.

If questions, please ask **Dianne Loewel**, 651-343-7614 or gmailcom.

Mane Connections Miniature Horse Therapy holiday event-Saturday, December 6th from 10:30-noon

Join us for a fun morning with the miniature horses and Santa and Mrs. Claus!









ALL SILENT AUCTION BIDS AND CASH/CHECK DONATIONS WILL GO TO LOCAL ROBERTS/HAMMOND FOOD PANTRY AND T.H.U.G. LIFE (ST. CROIX VALLEY PROGRAM FOR HOMELESS YOUTH AND FAMILIES.)



Check out or message our Facebook page- Mane Connections Miniature Horse Therapy for location and more info.



Are you looking for an easier way to donate without having to write checks? Especially if you are not in town every weekend.

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER & ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE

We offer EFT – The withdrawal date is the 15th of each month. If you would like to try this option, please contact the church office at 715-749-3225.

You are able to give directly through our website, http://robertsucc.org. Select "Give Now" under "GIVING" in the menu and it will take you to our donations page, or go directly to: http://robertsucc.org/giving. Hit the give now button and use your PayPal account or credit/debit card.

NOTES FROM THE TREASURER

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

General Fund Financial Summary as of September 30, 2025

Statement of Activity	Statement of Financial Position				
Income/Contributions \$	19,154.31	Assets			
Facility Use Income		General Accounts	\$	3,391.81	
Fundraising Income		Other Bank Accounts		7,348.74	
Interest	0.25	Fixed Assets		1,874,642.28	
Total Income	19,154.56	Total Assets	\$	1,885,382.83	
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Expenses	26,145.90				
ransfers from other accounts		Liabilities & E	quity		
Net Activity _ \$	6 (6,991.34)	Accrued Expenses	\$	-	
		Bank Mortgage Balances		533,611.37	
		Member Balances		150,000.00	
		Total Liabilities		683,611.37	
		Equity		1,201,771.46	
		Total Liabilities & Equity	\$	1,885,382.83	

OPEN WEEKLY

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am - 11:30am Wednesdays 6:30pm - 8:00pm

715-749-3478



Do you or anyone you know need help with groceries? The Food Pantry is available to Help.

We thank you for your continued support and generosity in serving our community.

For those wishing to donate,

We are low on: Dish soap, laundry soap, saltine crackers, hearty soups, spaghetti sauce, gravy & stuffing mix.

Brown paper and white plastic bags are also accepted.

Please Note: The Pantry will be closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, & New Years Day.



Dates & times may change. Please check the church calendar on our website for any changes.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 10am Worship w/Holy Communion Daylight Savings Time Ends	3 7pm Joyful Brass	4 6pm Deacons Meeting	5 5:30pm All Church RUCCUS Potluck 6pm All Church RUCCUS 6:30pm Bell Choir	6 3:30pm WF Meeting 4:30pm Community Dinner 6:30pm Council Meeting 7pm Joyful Brass	7	8
9 10am Worship (Brett Budrow)	10	11 6pm CE Meeting Veterans Day	12 6pm Confirmation 6:30pm Bell Choir	13	14	15
16 10am Worship	17	18 6:30pm Trustees Meeting	19 5:30pm All Church RUCCUS Potluck 6pm All Church RUCCUS 6:30pm Bell Choir	Newsletter Deadline	21 Plate by Kate Thanksgiving Meal Ordering Deadline	22 9am – 2pm Craft Sale & Vendor Share
23 10am Worship (Duane Loewel) 11am Church Decorating (All- church participation welcome!)	24	25	26 8:30am – 2:30pm Red Cross Blood Drive 6:30pm Bell Choir	27 10:30am – 12pm Thanksgiving Meal Order Pick-up Thanksgiving Day Food Pantry Closed	28	29
30 10am Worship 11am Advent Discussion Group - Week 1 Ist Sunday of Advent	1	6pm Deacons Meeting	3 5:30pm RUCCUS Potluck 6pm RUCCUS Christmas Program Practice 6:30pm Bell Choir	4 3:30pm WF Meeting 4:30pm Community Dinner 6:30pm Council Meeting	5	6 CONNECT BY



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SEE LORI JUREK FOR HELP OR QUESTIONS