

Bacon Memorial Presbyterian Church

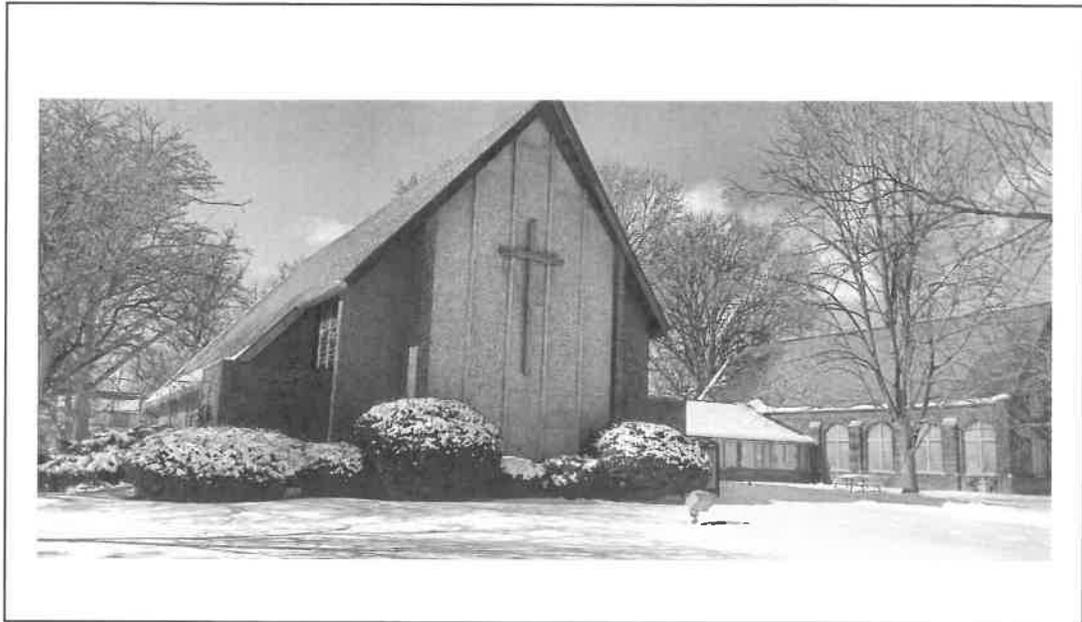
2025 Annual Report



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Annual Report

To be received by the Congregation



Bacon Memorial Presbyterian Church

**166 Fifty-Ninth Street
Niagara Falls, New York 14304-3812**

Pastor Lisa Giacomazza

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AGENDA
February 26, 2026

Attestation of a Quorum

Prayer

Approval of minutes of meeting to elect officers – January 11, 2025

Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes - February 23, 2025

Approval of minutes of meeting to elect Nominating Committee replacement
– September 21, 2025

Reading and Acceptance of Reports

Presentation of the 2026 Budget

Thank Yous

Motion to Adjourn

Closing Prayer

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Annual Congregational Meeting for the Nomination and Election of Officers

January 11, 2026

After Worship

The meeting was opened by the Moderator, Pastor Lisa Giacomazza.

A quorum was present.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by Allison Hubert presented the following for election.

Elders for 3 year terms: Mike Barry, Woody Chatmon, Andrea MacLean, and Destinee Devlin.

Deacon for 3 year term: No nominations.

For the Nominating Committee, 2 from the congregation: AJ Rockwell, Tracy Kammerdeiner
From the Session, Allie Hubert

Auditors for the 2024 & 2025 finances: Karen Hubert and Tracy Kammerdeiner

There were no nominations from the floor.

All were elected.

After a motion to adjourn, Pastor Lisa closed the meeting.

Respectfully,

Ron Clements

Scriptor Minutae Conventus

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Annual Congregational Meeting

February 23, 2025
After Worship

Moderator: Pastor Lisa Giacomazza.

Pastor Lisa opened the meeting with prayer.

A quorum was present.

The minutes of the 18 February 2024 Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The minutes of the 15 December 2024 meeting to elect officers were read and approved.

Annual committee reports were read and accepted.

The 2025 Budget was presented and explained.

Outgoing officers and volunteers were thanked for all their hard work and dedication.

A motion to adjourn was made.

Pastor Lisa closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully,

Ron Clements

Scriptor minutae conventus

CHURCH STAFF – 2025

PASTOR

Pastor Lisa Giacomazza

SECRETARY

Cheryl McInerney

ORGANIST/MUSIC DIRECTOR

Maureen Kwiatkowski

BOOKKEEPER

Karen Smith

HOUSEKEEPING

Norwood Chatmon

CHURCH OFFICERS – 2024

CLERK OF SESSION

Bill Springer

TREASURER

to be chosen

SESSION MEMBERS

Allison Hubert
Andrea MacLean
Bill Springer
Cheryl McInerney
Irene Barry
Kathy Cecula
Michael Barry
Norwood Chatmon
Ron Clements
Samantha Barry
Sandra Quinn
Destanee Devlin

BOARD OF DEACONS

Peg Trethewey
Tracy Kammerdeiner

CORPORATION INFORMATION

Certificate of Incorporation

March 30, 1945

(Bacon memorial Presbyterian Church)

Certificate of change of Name May 21, 1984

(Bacon Memorial Presbyterian Church U.S.A.)

File no. 3-210-3643

2025 STATISTICAL REPORT

DEATHS

A=Active, N=Non-Member

A – Dennis Lewis – 7/19/2025

N - Grant Swanson

N - Isaac Chatmon

N - James Bradley

N - Annette Cecula

N - Grace Lingenfelter

NEW MEMBERS

Kristin Martin - 6/1/2025

BAPTISMS

Lucille Barry – 4/13/2025

Scarlett O’Shea – 7/6/2025

Ryder Carey – 11/30/2025

Kalani Hamilton – 12/7/2025

WEDDINGS

0

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP FOR 2024

2024	97
2024 Deaths (Active)	1
Transfer by Letter	0
Affirmation of Faith	1
Confirmation	0
Reinstated	0
Removed from Active	0
Total Membership	97
(inactive deaths are not counted)	

Pastor's Annual Report 2025

As I look toward 2026, it's clear that we are living through a season of profound change—within our ministry, our community, our country, and the wider world. Many of us feel the weight of what we see unfolding each day, especially as immigration enforcement actions in our nation have taken on a level of force and visibility not seen in generations. It is understandable to feel unsettled or overwhelmed.

And yet, even in times like these, we are not without guidance or grounding. The Presbyterian Church has a long and faithful history of standing alongside immigrant families and those seeking safety from violence and instability. Our denomination's commitment is rooted not in politics, but in Scripture's call to welcome the stranger and honor the God-given dignity of every person. As the PC(USA) affirms, "Guided by our faith's call to welcome the stranger and belief in the inherent dignity of all people, the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) actively advocates for and works toward more just immigration laws and processes."

This legacy reminds us that even in turbulent times, we have a clear and compassionate path to walk—one shaped by courage, hospitality, and the love of Christ.

For us at Bacon Memorial, this commitment is not abstract. It is part of our identity as a church rooted in compassion, hospitality, and justice. We may not be able to solve every national crisis, but we can choose how we respond right here in LaSalle. We can listen. We can learn. We can pray. We can stand with families who are frightened or uncertain. And we can continue to be a community where every person—no matter their story, language, or country of origin—knows they are seen and valued. In a time when fear and division are loud, our witness of welcome becomes even more important.

As we reflect on the work God has entrusted to us and the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead, it is also important to pause and remember those whose earthly journeys came to an end this past year. Their lives shaped our congregation in ways both seen and unseen, and their absence is felt in our worship, our fellowship, and our shared story. With gratitude for all they offered and with trust in the promise of resurrection, we take a moment to honor their memory and give thanks for the light they brought into our community.

This past year, we entrusted several beautiful souls back into the loving care of our Lord. I had the honor of officiating the service for Grant Swanson, Lynn Wolf's dear son, whose life ended far too soon. We gathered to remember Renee Quinn, whose family lovingly waited until they could all be together to celebrate her life. We gave thanks for our wonderful Dennis Lewis—Marcia's beloved—whose faith never wavered throughout his final journey.

Isaac Chatmon was laid to rest quietly and tenderly, with his devoted siblings accompanying him into peace. We celebrated the life of James Bradley, Michelle's cherished husband, at Sammy's, surrounded by family, friends, and stories filled with joy and love. We honored Annette Cecula, John's dear sister, with a beautiful service marking her entrance into eternal rest. And we remembered Grace Lingenfelter, Darlene's wonderful mother, who—true to her name—entered the Lord's embrace with grace, surrounded by family.

We continue to hold each of these families in prayer as they navigate life without their beloved. It was a profound privilege to stand with them and to share in these sacred moments of remembrance.

We were blessed to celebrate four wonderful baptisms in 2025. Sweet Lucille, Leo, Ryder and Kalani. We are so excited to have these wonderful children as part of our fellowship as they grow and learn of God's love and light.

As I step into my eighth year as pastor of Bacon Memorial, I see a season marked by both challenge and opportunity. This past year brought moments of real joy, especially through our outreach events—the Friendsgiving Dinner and the Fall Festival—where we welcomed new faces, deepened relationships, and shared God's love with families in our community.

At the same time, we are facing a significant financial shortfall in our 2026 budget. We have been able to draw from our savings and investment accounts to bridge the gap, but the level of support needed is not something we can sustain long-term.

I am asking each of you to prayerfully consider your current giving. If you are able to increase your contribution, even by a small amount, it would help us close the gap and strengthen the ministry we share. Every gift matters, and together we can ensure that Bacon Memorial continues to be a place of hope, welcome, and faithful service.

Our mission projects continue, despite our small numbers, with gifted leadership in the church. Please read through the Mission Committee report that outlines all that our faith community supported throughout the year. My sincere thanks to all those who supported and led our mission projects that served many in our community and beyond.

This winter, we moved our worship services into the newly remodeled chapel to conserve the resources required to heat our large sanctuary. Even though we have only just begun gathering in this space, it is already being warmly received. Many have shared how much they appreciate the more intimate atmosphere it creates. We hope this shift will not only deepen our sense of closeness in worship but also significantly reduce our natural gas usage and lower our heating costs.

Thank you to our small, hard-working and mighty staff and volunteers who keep the business of the church going week in and week out. Our secretary, Cheryl McInerney, our music director, Maureen Kwiatkowski, our janitor Woody Chatmon and our Bookkeeper Karen Smith. All do a yeoman's job on part time schedules to ensure the church operates as it should.

Bill Springer who oversees the sound each week as well as managing the sanctuary, Ron Clements who provides oversight of the video streaming and You Tube videos of our services.

We are also seeking a new Treasurer, along with someone who has the gifts to help us refresh and reorganize our financial books and reports. These roles are vital to the health and transparency of our ministry, and they offer a wonderful opportunity to make a real, lasting impact behind the scenes. If you feel a nudge toward this kind of service, I would love to talk with you. Any of our Elders can also share more about what the work involves and how your skills could bless our congregation.

As I began this report, so I will end it: with an honest acknowledgment that change is always with us. Even the Buffalo Bills are daring to imagine a new chapter as they move forward from a successful era under Coach Sean McDermott. In our own way, we too are learning that change can be one of the ways God urges us toward growth, renewal, and a deeper expression of who we are called to be.

I look toward the future with genuine curiosity and trust. I am confident that the Holy Spirit will continue to lead us—steadily, creatively, and compassionately—as we serve and care for our neighbors here in LaSalle. We are not alone in this journey, and we are not without purpose.

May God bless you and keep you in the coming year and in all the seasons ahead.

Pastor Lisa Elkington

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Clerk of Session Report

The Session met in stated meetings on January 8, February 12, March 13, April 9, May 14, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12 and December 9. All meetings were via Zoom. The Session did not meet in stated meetings in June or July.

The Session met by Zoom in a Called Meeting on June 10 to approve a baptism.

The Session held an off-site retreat on March 29.

Significant Items

- Bill Springer became Clerk of Session.
- Approved the purchase of a larger television for the Multipurpose Room.
- Scheduled the Annual Congregational Meeting for February 23.
- Scheduled the Maundy Thursday service for 6 pm.
- Discussed the importance of greeting and engaging with visitors.
- Received a summary report on the Pastor Retreat attended by Pastor Lisa.
- Hosted the Niagara Area Presbyterians Dinner on June 4.
- Received the resignation of our long-time Treasurer, Kevin Chambers. Approved a donation to the soccer league he supports in his honor.
- Discussed how to do spiritual care in the absence of enough deacons to complete their important ministry.
- Called a Congregational meeting for September 21 to elect a new member of the Nominating Committee to complete the term of the late Dennis Lewis.
- Scheduled Christmas Eve service for 7 pm.
- Scheduled the election of officers for January 11, 2026
- Planned to hold the Session meetings of May 12, August 12 and October 14, 2026 in person.
- Approved the 2026 Budget.
- Approved several baptisms throughout the year.

The congregation met to elect officers on January 11, 2025.

The Congregation met in the Annual Congregational Meeting on February 23, 2025

The Congregation met in a called meeting on September 21, 2025 to elect a replacement for the late Dennis Lewis for the nominations committee.

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Budget and Finance

The Financial Activity Report at the end of the Annual Report presents the Actual Results for 2025 and the Budget for 2026.

The Balance Sheet below reflects our financial position as of December 31, 2025.

For the year 2025 our income from our routine activities was \$49,525. Our expenses were \$73,681 for a net loss of \$24,156. This compares to a net gain of \$7,480 for the year 2024. This was the result of a \$19,207 drop in income and a \$12,429 increase in expenses.

The loss was partly offset by interest income on our CDs of \$2,297.19 and an (unrealized) gain in the value of our mutual fund of \$15,092.94.

There was a significant drop in offerings during the summer and also at Christmas.

For 2026 we anticipate a continuing drop in income, but not at as steep a rate. We also expect a small percentage increase in expenses.

Our Treasurer, Kevin Chambers resigned after many years of dedicated service. I extend to him the thanks of all for the hard work he put in behind the scenes, including tasks that were not part of the treasurer's role. I also extend our thanks to our Bookkeeper, Karen Smith who picked up many of those tasks.

William Springer
Chair

Balance Sheet as of December 31

	2023	2024	2025
Checking Account			
Statement Balance	36,101.58	38,376.27	7,152.39
Checks Outstanding	2,680.37	14,331.95	6,019.12
Net	33,421.21	24,044.32	1,133.27
Savings Account	41,417.04	21,420.55	30,457.29
Certificates of Deposit			
Face Value	N/A	60,000.00	40,000.00
Accrued Interest	N/A	644.94	2,297.19
Total	N/A	60,644.94	42,297.19
Merrill Brokerage Account			
Cash	15,156.38	N/A	N/A
Lord Abbett Income Fund	17,681.17	N/A	N/A
Total	32,837.55	N/A	N/A
New Covenant Growth Fund	77,389.55	94,572.16	109,665.10
Prepaid Utility	_____	_____	422.48
Grand Total	185,065.35	200,681.97	183,975.81

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Building and Grounds

There were several positive events this year.

- The outside exit door from the Fellowship Hall was replaced so that it is now functional. An additional railing was installed on the stairs.
- The hardware on the outside doors of the Narthex was upgraded to improve safety and security.
- A new, larger television was purchased and installed in the Multipurpose Room (MPR). The television in the room was moved to the chapel.
- A new electric stove was purchased and installed in the kitchenette. A full-size refrigerator was purchased and placed in the MPR.
- Two small refrigerators were purchased and installed under the counter in the kitchenette. The failed unit they replaced was moved to the MPR for storage and as a stainless-steel counter.

The city finally removed two trees located in front of the church by the street. We had been complaining to the city about one of them in particular for years because it was dangerous.

As always, there were also a few negative events

- With the change in the garbage collection contractor, we are now paying a monthly fee for the service. Modern had been doing it for free because of an oversight.
- During the Fall Festival a gas leak occurred. Fortunately, it was a single leak by the meter that was quickly located and repaired. The Festival was not impacted.
- One of the pumps on the main boiler failed and needed to be repaired. It was a costly repair.
- The nest the squirrels built in the exhaust stack of the MPR boiler fell and blocked the stack and had to be removed.
- The gutters needed to be cleaned. This is a major endeavor. Fortunately, it was done by a volunteer this year, but at some point, that won't be an option.
- This year the summer heat and humidity seemed to be worse than before. The lack of air conditioning in most of the building made that a problem.

As always, I thank Ron Clements and Woody Chatmon for their tireless work. Woody has kept the outside and inside of the building in shape throughout the year. Ron has been a major part of all we have done, some major and some not so small work.

William Springer
Chair

**Fall Festival
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The Fall Festival this year was very successful, although smaller in scale than previous years.

We had "The Witches of Moonlight" non-profit entertain the crowd even inviting the audience to participate.

There were many donated Halloween costumes taken by children who didn't have a costume.

For the 2nd year in a row Dean Harms won the Bacon cook-off, this time with scrumptious Bacon Wrapped Stuffed Mushrooms.

There were several vendors selling their crafts. There was a nice variety of handmade and baked items.

Thank you to all that donated to the basket auction.

Thank you to the Presbyterian Men for cooking and serving another delicious lunch.

Thank you to all who donated Baked Goods to our Bake Sale.

A big thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and talents to make sure the Fall Festival was a success.

Our next Fall Festival is scheduled for October 3, 2026.

Sandy Quinn
Chair of the Fall Festival

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Galatians 6:9

“Let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap a harvest, if we do not give up.”

One Great Hour of Sharing

Typically received during the season of Lent, each gift to the One great Hour of Sharing 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. All three programs work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From the initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, substance, and hope.

In our weekly Minute for Mission: Dennis Lewis talked about the hunger program and used a wonderful display of dinner plates to emphasize the need to support this part of our mission. Bill Springer told us about the Presbyterian Disaster Program and the need for help with the southern floods and the California wildfires. Ron Clements talked about the Self Development Program. You can give a person a fish and feed him/her for a day or teach them to fish and they'll eat for a lifetime. Cheryl McInerney closed the appeal by asking for donations to the One Great Hour of Sharing.

Operation Christmas Child.

We ordered fewer boxes this year, 100 cardboard shoeboxes and 48 plastic boxes. We collect year-round and there is a monthly targeted item. Irene Barry updated our Amazon gift registry. The items that are the most needed or requested are washcloths, toothbrushes, pens, small notebooks or journals, fishing kits, nail clippers. Collected items to be stored upstairs in the dedicated storage area. Cher will first check them off a list so we can sort of keep track of what we have and will have a better idea of what we need to fill the boxes. For 2025 the big issue was NO BAR SOAP allowed. When asked why, the answer was that it has to do with customs. No concrete answer.

Pastor Lisa suggested we purchase soccer balls and pumps and get people to “sponsor” a soccer ball. There were many sponsors and one person even purchased 12 soccer balls. Cher found a deal at Tops supermarket and bought 37 plush purses for the shoeboxes. They were \$15 & \$20 marked down to \$4 & \$5, so she used Mission money to purchase all that were on the shelf.

Mission filled two sample shoeboxes to show at the Fall Festival. We asked for sponsorship for a soccer ball at \$10, a Plush purse or two at \$5 each or Postage at \$10 per shoebox.

On September 13, 2025, Cheryl McInerney and Fran Clements attended an Operation Christmas Child Project Leader workshop. It was interesting but not much new information, although the guest speaker was quite moving.

A Packing Party was held on November 15th at 10 am. Delivery of the shoeboxes to The Bridge – November 23 after church. We packed 179 shoeboxes this year and we were able to track 22 of the shoeboxes. 20 boxes went to South Africa and one box went to Tanzania. We are waiting to see where the last box went.

Fifth Sunday offering

Mission decided that this year our 5th Sunday offering will go to help Presbyterian Disaster Assistance for aid to California wildfires. Mission pledged \$150 plus whatever was collected in the offering plate.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our binder only shows three shawls were given, but I'm sure more were gifted, just not written down. Each child baptized was gifted with a crocheted blanket.

NAP (Niagara Area Presbyterians) dinners –

The NAP dinners are held on the first Wednesday of each month. We rotate venues among the five participating churches – Bacon Memorial, Riverside, Lewiston, First and Grand Island.

Feb. 5th - **NAP dinner at Bacon.** We decided to go with a favorite casserole/dish.

We checked for needed supplies – plates, cups, napkins, etc. and compiled a shopping list.

We used the left-over ice cream and toppings from the January Third Sunday Lunch.

June 4th **NAP dinner at Bacon.** Since it is spring we decided to have a picnic dinner of hot dogs, potato salad, baked beans and ice cream novelties for dessert. We asked for side dishes to complement the hot dogs. We were not disappointed.

Nov. 5th - **NAP dinner at Bacon.** 5 pm. Hot dogs (left over from the Fall Festival), salad.

Spring Clean-up

Beautify Niagara (formerly Niagara Beautification) Saturday May 10th at 10 am. We requested supplies for 8-10 workers. We have plenty of gloves left from previous years. Bring any yard tools that you may need. The church has a few but not enough for everyone. Cheryl sat this one out as she was too ill to participate.

Third Sunday Lunch

May 18th **Third Sunday Lunch** – hosted by Christian Ed. with help from Mission & Outreach Elizabeth Springer ordered pizza from Yub's. We had salad fixings and ice novelties for dessert. We played videos of children opening their Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes to encourage donations.

Coffee hours

Mission & Outreach hosted coffee hours for May & June. There was no Third Sunday lunch in June.

2025 World Police and Fire Games –

June 2025 - Allison Hubert competed in the 2025 World Police and Fire Games in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu in Birmingham, Alabama. She asked for sponsors to offset the cost of training, competing and traveling. Mission will helped with \$100. She won 2 silver medals!

Community Missions

October 7 – **Interfaith Service at Bacon** – 4 pm with small reception to follow.

A good turnout as usual. We had help with setting up, cleaning after, and finger foods.

We had a large donation of clothing items. We put them on a table for anyone to take.

Leftover clothes were taken to Community Missions.

Blue Star Mothers - Chapter NY7 (Mothers whose children are active military)

They were looking for sponsors for their 15-year gala September 20, 2025 at Salvatore's. We donated \$100 instead of a basket.

Mission once again helped the Blue Star mothers collect items for the "We Care" packages to be sent to our deployed troops. There was a change in what we can and cannot send due to new regulations from the Department of Homeland Security so we must be very specific in what we send and the weight of the items. Interestingly, we CAN send bar soap so the left-over soap from Operation Christmas Child that we are not allowed to send went to the Blue Star Mothers.

We received a nice thank you letter for our efforts.

Presbyterian Giving catalog

We gave a donation of \$295 - \$50 for a sewing machine, \$75 for a fishing kit, \$75 for a cook stove, \$25 for up to 10 Jerry cans to carry water, \$40 for tree seeds, \$30 for a hygiene kit.

Cheryl put in the May Bacon Visitor website information for others to also give. If you would like to help by donating, here is the web site. <https://www.pcusa.org/giving/giving-catalog/gifts>

We got a call from the Presbyterian Giving Catalog wanting to know how we knew what items to purchase and how did we advertise. The caller wanted examples and photos.

Empower Bottles and Cans

We cashed in bottles and cans for at least \$200. This is an easy way to get money to fund our Mission projects.

RADA

The new 2025 catalog came out in July. Cher updated the handout for on-line ordering. We had a table at the Fall Festival. We campaigned for Christmas gifts.

Gospel Mission

Gospel Mission was looking for sponsorship for a Feed the Falls event. Mission donated \$100.

Salvation Army

Niagara Falls Salvation Army continued the summer BBQ on Monday evenings - open to the public. Mission donated \$100 to help with costs. We collected toys and gifts for our annual White Gifts Sunday. Major Andrew Murray gave a wonderful sermon and tested us on our knowledge of the Bible.

FALL FESTIVAL October 4 - 10 am - 4 pm

Country Meat Sticks – Mission lent the Fall Festival \$354 for three cases of meat sticks. We used the Church credit card.

Camp Duffield

Donated \$100 in honor of the wonderful ministry and dedication of Allie Hubert and AJ Rockwell.

Other Donations:

\$100 to sponsor Allie Hubert

\$100 Friends of Kenya Rising

\$25 x 2 Tim's gift cards for Community Missions *Basket Auction*.

\$295 Presbyterian Giving catalog

We gave a donation to *Presbyterian Giving catalog* of \$295.

\$50 for a sewing machine, \$75 for a fishing kit, \$75 for a cook stove,

\$25 for up to 10 Jerry cans to carry water, \$40 for tree seeds, \$30 for a hygiene kit.

\$100 to Salvation Army for Monday Night BBQ

\$150 to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to help with tornados and hurricanes

\$100 to Gospel Mission for Feed the Falls event

\$100 to Camp Duffield

\$100 Blue Star Mothers for Anniversary dinner

\$1.00 for Check Out Hunger at Tops

\$100 for purchase of Turkeys for Heart, Love and Soul

Mission bought 4 can openers for the food cupboard. Some of the canned vegetables need and some soups need to be opened with a can opener.

Thank yous

Franklin Graham / Samaritan's Purse (Operation Christmas Child)

Presbyterian Giving Catalog – thank you for \$295.00

Friends of Kenya Rising – thank you for \$100.00

National Child Safety Council – thank you for \$100.00

Blue Star Mothers for \$100 and a “We Care” box of snacks

Allie Hubert for sponsoring her at the 2025 World Police and Fire Games.

Budget Request for 2026

Mission and Outreach is requesting \$500.00 from Budget & Finance to be included in the 2026 budget.

Personnel Committee

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The Personnel committee is so grateful for our amazing staff, for their continued hard work and devotion to our church.

We are ever so appreciative of Cheryl McInerney and all the hard work she does to keep the office running smoothly and efficiently. We value Cher's ability to put out the fires and keeping the rest of us on track. Special thanks to Bill Springer for all the times he's helped or filled in for Cher.

Maureen Kwiatkowski, you have worked so hard this past year to keep our worship music a joyful noise unto our Lord. The extra hours you put in practicing new pieces is appreciated.

We have Woody Chatmon to thank for the continued cleanliness of all our church spaces. There's a lot of traffic in and out of Bacon every week, thank you Woody for staying on top of it.

Thank you again to Karen Smith our bookkeeper for making sure everyone gets paid.

And finally, Pastor Lisa Giacomazza, you've worked so hard leading our congregation this past year. The extra hours you give for committee meetings, home bound and hospital visitations, our social media presence and all the effort you put into your sermons, you give us so much. We can't thank you enough.

Submitted by

Ron Clements, chair

PRESBYTERIAN MEN (2025)

The year 2025 was the twelfth year that there was a registered chapter of Presbyterian Men (PCUSA) at Bacon Memorial Presbyterian Church and Presbyterian Men (PM) had or attended 20 planned events/meetings in 2025. PM hosted the Third Sunday Luncheon on January 19th as well as the Coffee Fellowship Hours after Bacon's worship services on the other Sundays in January.

1. For Thanksgiving, PM donated:
 - A. A check in the amount of \$250.00 to a family in the community whose home was substantially damaged by fire within a week or two of Thanksgiving.
 - B. A \$200.00 Visa gift card to a single mother in the community who does not receive financial help from her child's father.
2. For Christmas, PM donated:
 - A. A \$200.00 check to a family connected to Bacon whose home was recently condemned,
 - B. A \$200.00 Visa gift card to a couple in the community who are raising their 7-year old granddaughter, who lost her father in a motorcycle accident in August.
 - C. A \$200.00 check to a family connected to the church, who had to immediately replace the furnace in their home.
3. PM received a donation in the amount of \$200.00 from Presbyterian Women (PW) of Bacon (Members Fran Clements & Cheryl McInerney) to go toward those chosen by PM to receive gifts for Thanksgiving & Christmas in 2025. PW has done this for several years now & we thank them for their generosity! PM also received a \$200.00 donation from the Town of Niagara Lions Club for those designated by PM to receive Christmas gifts. We thank them for their generosity as well!
4. PM also donated a \$150.00 check to a member of Bacon who successfully competed in a Brazilian jujutsu competition in Tennessee in 2025. Finally, in February, PM donated \$100.00 to a charity selected by Scott Brinkman, who did a sled hockey presentation at Bacon.

5. **PM's 2025 events (The number of people in attendance at each event are in parentheses.)** Copies of PM's upcoming events can be found on the table in the Narthex of the church or by calling Chairperson Lee Weinsheimer: (716) 510-1412; Treasurer Boyd Clark: (716) 799-2765; Secretary Jeff Trethewey: (716) 383-2333.
- Sun., Jan. 12th: Special Meeting to discuss The Third Sunday Luncheon.
 - Sat., Jan, 18th: @ Jet Port Restaurant. PM's events schedule was updated. Buy your own breakfast.
 - Sun., Jan. 19th: PM hosts The Third Sunday Luncheon.
 - Sun., Feb. 9th @ 5pm @ Bacon: PM hosted a Super Bowl LIX Watching Party with games, trivia, small prizes, etc. This event was open to everyone. Mark Barry, Denise Fland & Peg Trethewey won Commercial Bingo. Boyd Clark won Guess the Game Trivia with 17 correct predictions, with Peg coming in 2nd with 15 correct predictions. Ron Clements won Football Word Scrabble. A new 85" TV was installed by Ron Clements & Bill Springer previously for the church was used to view the game in the multipurpose room. (18 Adults & 4 Children).
 - Sat., Feb. 15th: Scott Brinkman, Mike Blabac & Rich DeGlopper gave a presentation on sled hockey in the USA & in WNY along with 6-7 tables of over 100 memorabilia items. (18).
 - Sat., March 15th: Light breakfast meeting & Cornhole. Team Red (Jim Copia & Bill Springer) defeated Team Blue (Mark Barry & Dennis Lewis) 22-21 with a last second miracle, coming up with 5 points in the last round. (7).
 - Good Friday, April 18th: 5 people from PM (Mark Barry, Boyd Clark, Ron Clements, Michael Fland & Jeff Trethewey) attended Niagara Presbyterian Church's Men's Good Friday Breakfast at Lewiston No. 2 Fire Hall with Guest Speaker Chris Amico, Associate Director of Niagara Gospel Mission.
 - Sat., April 19th: Light breakfast meeting & Password. Team B (Mark Barry, Woodi Chatmon & Michael Fland) defeated Team A (Boyd Clark, Dennis Lewis & Ron Clements) 73- 48. (9).
 - Sat., May 17th: @ 9:30am @ Hyde Park Bocce Courts. Was open to all. Team Red (Denise Fland, Michael Fland, Ron Clements, Mark Barry & Jeff

Trethewey) defeated Team Black (Dennis Lewis, Jim Copia, Sue Weinsheimer, Jamie Richardson & Jack Reichlin 31-20 in bocce. (17).

- Sat., June 14th: @ 6pm @ Sal Maglie (Hyde Park) Stadium. 7 people attended a NF Americans vs St. Catharines baseball game with the Americans winning 9-5. This event was open to everyone!

- Sat., July 19th: Miniature Golf @ Town of Niagara's Veterans Memorial Park. This event was cancelled due to the lack of parking at the park caused by a youth tournament held simultaneously at the park. 4 people made it to the park that day.

- Sun., July 27th: Special Meeting @ Bacon to discuss bereavement considerations. (9).

- No events were planned for August.

- Sat., Sept. 20th: @ Jet Port Restaurant. Buy your own breakfast.

Nominations & Elections of PM's 2025-26 officers. Chairman Lee Weinsheimer, Treasurer Boyd Clark & Secretary Jeff Trethewey were re-elected & have been the only duly officers that PM has had. PM then created & approved its 2025-26 events schedule. (8).

- Sat., Oct. 4th: PM members worked the hot dog/drink concessions at Bacon's Fall Festival. All proceeds benefitted the church. (8).

- Sat., Oct. 18th: Light breakfast meeting & played "Battleship" & "Bible Books Concentration". The Team of Michael Fland, Bill Springer & Mark Barry won both games. (8).

- Sat., Nov. 15th: Light breakfast meeting to discuss Thanksgiving & Christmas gift amounts & recipients. (8).

- Sat., Nov. 28th: assisted in construction of manger & animal pens at Niagara Presbyterian Church. (1) of 20. Then on Sat., Jan. 3rd: assisted on deconstruction of manger. (1) of 12.

- Sat., Dec. 20th: Light breakfast meeting & indoor horseshoes. Team of Bill Springer & Jeff Trethewey defeated the team of Mark Barry & Lee Weinsheimer 21-16. (7).

- Mon., Dec. 22nd: from 6-9pm. 6 people (Pastor Lisa Giacomazza, Allie Hubert, Jorie Pucillo, Boyd Clark, Kevin Maerten & Jeff Trethewey) went Christmas caroling to the homes/condos of Marlene Dixon, Bev Wagner & Janet Downs, Aubrey Crews, Marcia Lewis, Graham Luskin (Northgate) & Carol Ortt. Carolers sang to a total of 20 people at all 6 stops, believed to be the most ever!
- Tues., Dec. 23rd: 5 people from Bacon (Andrea MacLean, Carmine Hamilton, Mykenna Scott & Sue & Lee Weinsheimer) were actors in Niagara Presbyterian Church's Living Nativity.

6. BOOKS, ARTICLES READ BY CHAIRMAN LEE WEINSHEIMER AT PM BREAKFAST MEETINGS

Jan. 18th: "Church Bulletin with Typos."

March 15th: "Growing in Trust."

Sept. 20th: "Savior's Word."

Oct. 18th: "Holy Humor."

Nov. 15th: "The Map."

Dec. 20th: "How Many Does It Take to Change Rednecks?"

7. THANK YOU

A big thank you to the members of Presbyterian Men who have made numerous donations of items for the breakfast meetings held at the church & also to those members whose monetary donations to PM in 2025 totaled \$1,088.00 & have allowed PM to donate to families, often at times when they are faced with devastation/hardship. A huge thanks to Sue & Lee Weinsheimer, who have provided gift cards for those participating in games at PM events.

8. IN MEMORY

In 2025, PM lost two members to cancer. Kenny Homme was the long-term boyfriend of Beverly Wilson, & he was a Florida resident, but more times than not, if Kenny was in WNY, he would most likely make the PM event. Kenny was labeled as a sandbagger by some of the other PM members. When Kenny was asked initially if he had ever played Cornhole he told the others "No" & then promptly outplayed the others in the game!

Kenny passed away on October 29th after a bout with terminal cancer for approximately 3 years.

On July 19th, Dennis Lewis passed away after a brief illness. Dennis was an original charter member of PM, always brought a dish or two to pass at our breakfast meetings, could always be counted on to do the work of PM & would often buy breakfast for less fortunate members of PM. These members have been, & will continue to be, dearly missed! We thank these gentlemen for their service to & fellowship with our group over the years!

Respectfully submitted by Jeff Trethewey, PM Secretary

Technology Committee

2024 Annual Report

This committee was formed in 2015 for the purpose of maintaining the following, but not limited to, responsibilities within the church;

- phones and landline connection
- computers
- printers
- MFP (multi-function printer)
- LAN (local area network) setup and maintenance
- WAN (wide area network) connection to internet and remote connection into the church computers
- Bacon TV
- Web Site
- Face Book and YouTube presence and other social media related to the life and mission of Bacon

Our committee members are Pastor Lisa, Ron Clements, Michael Barry, Sandy Quinn, Woody Chatmon and Jim Kwiatkowski.

We've spent a good portion of the year recovering from the cyber attack of last November. The church's Wi-Fi continues to work perfectly, as does the new camera pan/tilt unit.

Cheryl McInerney continues to keep our church website updated with announcements and postings of the weekly Sunday Bulletin. Pastor Lisa shares her weekly Sunday Sermons by posting them on our church website and continues to make our Face book presence current.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Clements

Worship and Music

2025 Annual Report

The committee meets monthly via Zoom to plan worship activities with Pastor Lisa. 2025 was another year filled with opportunities for worshipping at Bacon Memorial.

Communion was served on the first Sunday of each month. Once again Maureen and our guest singers and musicians have worked so hard to bring us new and inspirational music, their efforts are really appreciated.

Thru out the year the Worship and Music team worked to insure we had our Lenten and Advent programs, followed the Lectionary calendar in regards to Paraments and banners and assist the Pastor. I would like to thank Kathy, Allison, Woody, Lee and Bill for filling in for Pastor in her absence. Thanks also go out to all our Liturgists who complete our Sunday service. The responses to the changes to the Sanctuary with the setting up a children's section in the front continue to be very positive. The technical improvements we've made to our Sanctuary equipment have insured our on line presence is received well. It's taken awhile, but we've pretty much recovered from the cyber attack we had in November 2024. The committee, made up of Pastor Lisa, Maureen, Bill, Barb, Lynn, Fran and Ron is looking forward to another year of serving the congregation as we strive to improve our virtual and in person services.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Clements

Bacon Memorial Presbyterian Church
2026 Annual Budget

Account	Description	2021	2022	2023	2024*	2025	2025	2025	2026
		Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	
INCOME									
4030	Tithes and Offerings Pledged	53,079	51,630	51,867	49,790	50,000	42,430	40,000	
4040	Non-Pledge	14,531	6,603	15,729	15,216	6,600	1,914	2,000	
4050	Holidays	6,055	519	1,190	680	500	2,465	2,000	
N/A	PayPal*	--	2,863	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
4060	Rent	150	475	1,200	2,205	2,200	875	500	
4070	Taste of Bacon	2,738	19,545	17,339	841	2,000	0	0	
	Fall Festival						1,841	2,000	
4075	Footprints	400	200	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
4080	Community Outreach Ministry	-262	-226	-2,353	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	Income Total	76,691	81,609	85,032	68,732	61,300	49,525	46,000	
EXPENSES									
5061	Pastor Salary	9,063	9,148	9,562	9,973	10,408	10,404	10,720	
5062	Pastor Housing	9,800	9,804	10,298	10,730	11,203	11,208	11,539	
5067	Pastor Study Leave	210	0	-	-	1,050	0	1,050	
	Pastor Spiritual Fund					300	0	300	
5155	Bookkeeper	3,438	3,025	3,000	3,770	3,896	6,334 ^a	6,538	
5165	Secretary	8,831	9,765	8,918	9,157	11,160	9,921	11,520	
5185	Custodian	4,336	4,340	4,944	5,004	5,393	5,388	5,567	
5195	Musician	5,368	5,364	6,280	7,090	6,851	6,852	7,072	

Account	Description	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2024* Actual	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2025 Actual	2026 Budget
EXPENSES (continued)									
5305	Payroll Taxes	2,030	1,786	2,603	1,915	2,500			2,100
5310	Workers Comp Insurance	0	174	-	0	0			0
5315	NYS Disability Insurance	90	0	111	233	233			250
5320	NYS Employment	0	522	-	-	0			0
5420	Bank Charges	72	0	40	0	0		40	0
5425	Personnel	725	0	135	150	150		50	100
5430	Office Supplies	112	428	245	0	500		148	150
5440	Postage	66	0	-	79	110		393	400
5450	Printing		291	103	0	100		901	100
5470	Mileage Reimbursements	0	0	-	-	100		-	200
5480	Comprehensive Insurance	2,745	1,160	-	-	2,800		2,698	2,800
5517	Phone/Internet	1,692	1,508	1,392	1,540	1,540		1,660	1,680
5583	Copier Lease/Maintenance	1,722	1,554	2,036	2,311	2,268		1,655	1,850
5635	Electricity	1,958	2,179	1,977	1,768	2,000		1,960	2,000
5645	Water and Sewer	543	604	701	712	750		660	700
5655	Gas	4,963	8,725	7,730	4,570	5,000		6,868	7,032
New	Garbage Pickup							74	445
New B/O	Zoom							160	160
5710	Janitorial Supplies	0	0	-	-	200		0	100
5740	Repairs/Maintenance (excludes capital items)	1,610	1,157	12,983	-	2,500		3,320 ^b	2,000
5820	Snow Removal	18	0	-	-	500		0	0
6015	Mission A	264	84	123	-	500		1,121	500
6205	Christian Education	0	0	-	-	300		-	100
6220	Stewardship	323	342	16	-	200		305	100

Account	Description	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Actual	2024* Actual	2025 Budget	2025 Actual	2026 Budget
EXPENSES (continued)								
6285	Worship and Music	1,333	2,444	5,034	1,543	1,700	1,104	1,000
6287	Copyright Licensing	0	0	-	-	0	257	100
6290	Organ Supply	0	0	-	-	300	150	300
6310	Evangelism	556	401	-	-	0	-	0
6315	Evangelism-Supplies	0	0	118	59	200	-	0
6320	Evangelism-Postage [Includes Visitor]	372	375	592	648	700	-	0
6325	Camp Duffield Membership (Now under Mission)	100	100	-	-	100	0	0
6410	Taste of Bacon Expense	149	1,728	-	-	250	-	0
	Fall Festival Expense						0	0
6495	Pulpit Supply	0	0	-	-	150	0	175
	Expenses Total	62,289	67,008	81,558	61,252	75,912	73,681	77,648
	Income Total	76,691	81,609	85,032	68,732	61,300	49,525	46,000
NET		14,402	14,601	3,474	7,480	-14,612	-24,156	-31,648

Notes:

*2024 Actual numbers are for November 1, 2023 through October 31, 2024

^a Not the actual number. The compensation was increased to reflect increased tasks in mid-year. This number is the current monthly rate times 12 months.

^b Credit Card payments are recorded here because Building and Grounds holds the card. Some of these charges are for other committees.

A “-“ in the Actual column indicates that nothing was reported on this line in the Income and Expense statement for all of the year.

The 2026 Budget numbers in the Pastor lines reflect the 3.0% increase in the minimum for CREs.

The 2026 Budget number for the secretary reflects the 3.226% increase in the minimum wage for 2025.

The 2026 Budget numbers for the Bookkeeper, Custodian and Musician reflect a 3.226% increase in their yearly salary.