

## This Week's Activities

**Sunday, July 20** *Adult Mission Trip*  
9:30 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship  
11:00 a.m. Music Leaders' Meeting

**Monday, July 21** *Adult Mission Trip*  
9:00 a.m. VBS at Yorkminster Presbyterian

**Tuesday, July 22** *Adult Mission Trip*  
9:00 a.m. VBS at Yorkminster Presbyterian

**Wednesday, July 23** *Adult Mission Trip*  
9:00 a.m. Gentle Yoga, VBS at Yorkminster Presbyterian  
10:30 a.m. LINUS Group

**Thursday, July 24** *Adult Mission Trip*  
9:00 a.m. VBS at Yorkminster Presbyterian

**Friday, July 25** *Adult Mission Trip*  
7:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Group  
9:00 a.m. VBS at Yorkminster Presbyterian

**Saturday, July 26** *Adult Mission Trip*

**Sunday, July 27** *Adult Mission Trip*  
9:30 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship



Please see the full [calendar on the church website](#).

## WELCOME

KirkWood Presbyterian Church  
Sunday July 20, 2025



## KirkWood Presbyterian Church

A Christian Community Growing Together, Knowing, Loving, and  
Serving Christ, to Make Him Known to All

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# Order of Worship



Welcoming Each Other and Announcements		Pastor Chris Shearer
Special Music	“Sweet Hour of Prayer” arr. Jeff Bennett	Ann Brown Albertina Dowe
Responsive Reading and Opening Prayer		
Hymn #356	“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”	
Song	“King of My Heart”	
Children ages 3 – 2nd grade dismissed for Glory Time		
Anthem	“The Journey” arr. Joseph Martin	Men’s Ensemble
Congregational Prayer		
Sermon	It's Up to You 2025 How should a Christian view artificial intelligence?	Pastor Chris Shearer
Prayer of Response		
Song	“Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me”	
A Special Recognition		
Benediction	Pastor Chris Shearer	
Song	“Everlasting God”	

# This Week's Prayer Requests

Wayne B.	Cathy A.'s brother, Kenny
Wendy B.	Jen C.'s granddaughter, Wren
Wanda B.	Jerry & Janet D.'s daughter, Jill
Dominique C.	Betty D.'s sister, Madelyn
Toni F.	Regina H.'s parents
Mike F.	Jeane H.'s husband, Stan
Carolyn H.	April M.'s mom
Heather I.	Lisa N.'s dad, Paul
Don M.	Kim R.'s mother, Marilyn
April M.	Lisa W.'s mother, Lois
Denisse O.	
Jim R.	
Tony S.	

Sympathy to the family of Treacey Nicastro



## Prayer Requests and Special Needs

Fill out one of the blue prayer cards in the pews and place it in the Offerings & Prayer Requests box, call/email the church office, or type your prayer request when you Check In online and the request will be published in the Monday Memo email.

### Volunteer opportunity - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday Lunch Program

The next date for KirkWood to provide bag lunches for homeless and hungry people at First Presbyterian Church, Hampton is on Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. The Mission and Outreach Committees needs 1-2 volunteers to help prepare the lunches at 10am at KirkWood and to go to First Hampton from 11am – 1pm to hand out lunches. Sign up in the foyer or contact Connie Barlow at 757-876-4791 or [conniebarlow9@gmail.com](mailto:conniebarlow9@gmail.com).

Have you remembered KirkWood in your estate plan?

### Flower Ministry

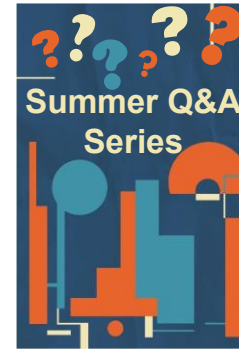
If you would like to donate sanctuary flowers, you can sign up in the foyer, call/email the office, or [online here](#). You can dedicate flowers for a special occasion or in memory/honor of someone. Flower arrangements are \$35.00 per week. You can [pay online by clicking here](#) or send a check with "Flowers" on the memo line.

Each week, volunteers take the sanctuary flowers and make several small arrangements to be taken to the sick and shut in. If you would like to volunteer to make flower arrangements after service on Sunday you can sign up at [online by clicking here](#).



This morning's sanctuary flowers dedication:  
Happy 30th Anniversary to Jim & April Mershon

## Announcements



Here's a look ahead at our annual summer Q&A series - we would love for you to share these messages online or invite a friend to a Sunday that you think might interest them:

7/27 It's Up to You (Week 5) - How can we heal a broken relationship?

8/3 Break from summer Q/A series

8/10 It's Up to You (Week 6) - What am I supposed to make of all the miracles in the gospels?

8/17 It's Up to You (Week 7) - Do politics have a place in church?

8/24 It's Up to You (Week 8) - Will you talk about the Japanese practice of kintsugi?

8/31 It's Up to You (Week 9) - Tips for those who are long-term caregivers, especially to their own parents?

**Brunch at the Fort:** Your Congregational Committee is hosting our fifth annual "Brunch at the Fort" at the home of Lew and Mary Goodman at 145 Bernard Road inside the old fort on Fort Monroe. The brunch will begin at 11 AM on Saturday, August 2nd. Please bring your favorite breakfast or lunch item to share. Drinks and placewear will be provided. Sign-up in the foyer or online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4AAFA62FA13-57426181-kirkwood>. The point of contact is Lew Goodman.

**Meal support** is a blessing to our KirkWood family. For new babies, illnesses, and recovery, we offer meals to help our KirkWood families. Volunteers are always needed for home-cooked or store bought. Contact: Wendy Linehan - 757-509-8233







## KirkWood Food Kupboard



Scan QR code to  
donate

Thank you KirkWood for your generous support of our KirkWood Kupboard. Our Kupboard may be small, but it sure is mighty! We appreciate your donations of non-perishable food items and continue to find dry cereals, baby foods/formulas, all sorts of pastas, spaghetti sauces, canned tomatoes, peanut butter and jelly, juices, and canned meats are the most popular. If you would prefer to donate monetarily, we love to shop and look for bargains and we are good at stretching a dollar!

Contact Catherine Gough ([cgough1965@gmail.com](mailto:cgough1965@gmail.com)/757-879-1301), Lisa Nickerson ([lanickers62@gmail.com](mailto:lanickers62@gmail.com)), and Toni Fisher ([fishermd1@gmail.com](mailto:fishermd1@gmail.com)) at any time.

**Grocery Bags for THRIVE** - KirkWood is a partner church with THRIVE, which involves both a financial commitment and volunteer hours. THRIVE is a non-profit organization that is committed to assisting Virginia Peninsula individuals and families through difficult times by addressing essential living needs such as food, housing and financial counseling.

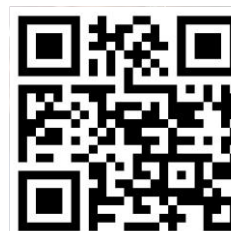
One of the many ways KirkWood supports THRIVE is by donating plastic grocery bags that are used in The Market at THRIVE at the Nettles Drive location. You can help by bringing doubled rolled plastic grocery bags to church and leaving them in the donation container in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Connie B. or Cindy W. with any questions.

Use this link to view a video on how to roll grocery bags on the THRIVE website. Scroll down the page to find the video. <https://www.thrivepeninsula.org/groups>

## Summertime Food Safety at the Pantry

With temperatures soaring, we're adjusting what we can safely offer at KirkWood's food pantry. We need to be especially careful about what items we place outside. According to USDA guidelines, glass jars (such as those containing sauces, peanut butter, or soups) are not safe in high temperatures. Additionally, foods high in fat or oil – like nuts, granola, cookies, and certain chips – can spoil quickly in the heat.

For summer, we ask that all donated items be packaged in plastic containers, metal cans, boxes, or sealed cups. Please help us keep our community safe and nourished this summer. Thank you for your ongoing support!



**First time visitor?**  
**Want to learn more about KirkWood?**  
**Want to join our texting list?**  
Text "Connect" to 757-772-0209  
and follow the prompts.



## Listening Assist Technology

KirkWood has added technology for the sanctuary to help us to be more accessible. We have installed a listening assist system so that those who have difficulty hearing can have their own amplified sound, particularly focused on the spoken word and vocals.

There are 2 ways to utilize this system:

- (1) You can use your own smartphone. You will need to download the ListenWiFi App. Then, while at the church, make sure you connect to the "KirkWood" wifi network. Open the app; it will scan for around 10 seconds, and it should allow you to play the audio from 2 different "channels". This can be done through either your own headphones, earbuds, or hearing aids if they are connected to your phone.
  - (2) You can use one of our receivers, with your own wired headphones or earbuds, our headphones, or a neck loop (if your hearing aids have a T-Coil).
- Just stop by the AV desk between 9:10 and 9:25 or after the service on a Sunday Morning - we have instructions and will help you get set-up.