



This Week

Sunday, Aug. 30

- 9:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday School Family Open House
- 3:30 p.m. Back-to-School Bowling Bash

Monday, Aug. 31 *No Scheduled Church Activities*

Tuesday, Sep. 1

- 6:00 p.m. Mission Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Fellowship, Property & Facilities Meetings

Wednesday, Sep. 2

- 9:00 a.m. Gentle Yoga
- 10:30 a.m. Linus Group
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Sep. 3

- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study – Sweers

Friday, Sep. 4

- 7:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Group

Saturday, Sep. 5 *No Scheduled Church Activities*

Sunday, Sep. 6 *Food Pantry Collection*

- 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, August 30, 2026



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



Song	“Here Is Our King”	
Welcome and Announcements		Pastor Chris Shearer
Responsive Reading		
Opening Prayer		
Song	“Come to the Water”	
Hymn #280	“Amazing Grace”	
Congregational Prayer		Pastor Mary Brown
Kids Dismissed to Play Praise		
Affirmation of Faith - The Declaration of Faith (1977), Section 7.4 Pastor Mary Brown		
Sermon	It's Up to You 2026 – How should Christians view other religions? (Part 2)	Pastor Chris Shearer
Hymn #420	“God of Grace and God of Glory”	
Benediction		Pastor Mary Brown
Song	“Everlasting God”	

Today's sanctuary flowers were donated by Maria Wells
In Memory of Her Son, Christopher Wells



This Week's Prayer Requests

Wendy B.
Jen C.
David D.
Aleta G.
Julia H.
Jeane H.

Marge K.
Tami M.
April M.
Rey O.
Jim R.
Dyer V.

Tim C.'s mom
Barbara D.'s mom
Jerry & Janet D.'s daughter, Jill
Betty D.'s sister, Madeline
Cathy H.'s mom, Joyce
Olivia H.'s grandfather, Baker
Jeane H.'s husband, Stan
Lisa N.'s dad, Paul
El S.'s brother, Mark



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.



Rise Against Hunger - Help Yorkminster Presbyterian Church package 20,000 meals in two hours during their Rise Against Hunger event on Sunday, September 27th. Their goal is to pack at least 20,088 meals consisting of rice, soy, dehydrated vegetables and a vitamin/mineral packet. Rise Against Hunger works in countries worldwide to fight hunger, targeting communities facing high rates of food insecurity.

A light lunch will be served at noon prior to the 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. event.

Sign up at <https://act.riseagainsthunger.org/event/e832380> (sign up link also seeks volunteers for set up and clean up).

KirkWood Silver will gather in the fellowship hall at 11:30am on Thursday, September 17th for a lunch to celebrate everyone's birthday. Bring your birthday stories to share as we enjoy subs. Subs are \$10 each Sign up in the Narthex so we can know what sub you like and how many will attend.



Our annual fall picnic will be held after the worship service on Sunday, September 13th, at the Bethel Recreation Area, Pavilion 3, in Hampton. Hamburgers, hot dogs, bratwurst, and drinks will be provided. There is a large, covered area with picnic tables, but we ask that you bring lawn chairs to ensure that everyone has a place to sit. There will be outdoor games, a playground nearby, and a fun "train" to ride! Join us and bring a dish to share. Members of the local community are also welcome, so feel free to invite a friend. You can sign up in the Narthex, and a sign-up genius will be available starting mid-week. Please sign up so we can get an idea of how much food to prepare. Oh, and don't forget to wear your picnic clothes to church that day! Questions? See Susie Egyud.



Announcements

It's Up to You 2026

Every summer, we devote a couple of months on Sunday morning to answering real questions asked by our congregation...sometimes they're biblical questions, sometimes personal questions, sometimes hard questions, and nothing is off limits. Next week is the last sermon in the series: Who - or what - on earth is the "Antichrist" in the Bible?



TODAY, August 30, 11:00 AM: Sunday School doesn't begin until later in September, but we've been busy transforming our upstairs classrooms! Come check them out, meet our volunteers, and learn about some of the exciting changes we've made for the new year. We'll also have creative activities connected to this year's theme, "We are God's masterpiece!" (Ephesians 2:10), for children and youth to add their own creative touches to our new spaces.

First time guest? Stop by our Welcome desk in the foyer.

Want to learn more about KirkWood?

Want to join our texting list?

Text "Connect" to 757-772-0209 and follow the prompts.



Back-to-School Bowling Bash

Families, come on out for a joint children and youth event to celebrate the start of a new school year! See details in the bulletin.

TODAY, AUGUST 30
3:30-5:30 PM

Cost: \$5/person

We will carpool to the Twin Pin Bowling Center, located near the Yorktown Naval Weapons Station.

<https://rebrand.ly/26BTSbowl>



Adult classes – You asked for it

Coming soon, a new menu of Sunday morning options for adults at 11:00

- **Reflections** – discussion of each week's sermon topic
- **Deep Roots** – in-depth Bible study
- **Explorations** – one-week topical classes, challenge and insights
- **The Grove** – no-agenda extended get-acquainted conversations

Something for everyone. Where do you want to grow?

Calling all ROCK painters, come one, come all! These rocks will go into the pumpkin patch in October for children of all ages to find. No experience needed. All supplies will be provided. Join us on September 10th at 10:30am in the fellowship hall. Can't make it and want to paint some rocks on your own? Contact Connie B. at 757-876-4791.

Mission Collections - Next Sunday (and the first Sunday of each month) is our food collection of non-perishable foods and monetary donations, is dedicated specifically to the food closet at St Luke's United Methodist Church. This ministry supports residents in need throughout York County and Poquoson. Also, the second Sunday is our collection for HOPE (Helping Other People Eat). Donations are divided between Menchville House, Faith Recovery, Natasha House, and the Congo Feeding Program.

monthly **mission** collections

KirkWood Walking Group returns to the Noland Trail

The KirkWood Walking Group is returning for another season. Next month, we'll return to the beautiful Noland Trail at Mariners Museum Park in Newport News, VA on Saturday September 12th at 10:00 am. What better way to start the new year than a brisk walk in the woods with some friends.

There are walking options for beginners all the way up to seasoned hikers. There will be a gentle 1 to 2-mile option, a 3.5-mile loop option for moderate hikers, and a challenging 5-mile trail option winding through the beautiful park. Nobody walks alone. We will meet in the first parking lot on the right just before you reach the actual Mariner's Museum.

Come join the fun and fellowship as we take in God's beauty and fun while getting some exercise while talking to friends. If you have any questions, contact Janet Knight or Bruce Knight.



(the Pumpkins are coming!!)

The pumpkins will be here soon! The Mission Committee has three (3) opportunities to help set up the Pumpkin Patch and the unloading of the pumpkins on October 3rd.

- First, we will set up lights, canopies, and fencing on September 25th from 9am – 11am. Several volunteers are needed to move equipment from the attic and assist Kirk and Jamie Reno with extension cords and lights.
- Second, we will move the wooden pallets from the storage area behind KirkWood to the Pumpkin Patch area on September 29th at 6:30pm with free pizza to follow. Scout Troop 54 has volunteered to assist, but more volunteers are welcome and needed.
- Third, the first semi-trailer of pumpkins will arrive on October 3rd. We will need a lot of volunteers of all ages to unload the truck! Kids are a great help unloading the small pumpkins and gourds. Mark your calendars for 10:00am on October 3rd.

All these events require some physical effort, but there will be plenty of opportunities to volunteer at the Pumpkin Patch for everyone (kids too) during the month of October. The Pumpkin Patch SignUpGenius will be live on September 13th for all to sign up to work in the Patch!

Questions? Call or email Lisa Nickerson, Toni Fisher, Jamie Reno, or Arba Williamson.

Save the Dates!

There will be a second pumpkin delivery on October 17th.

We will take down the Pumpkin Patch and clean up the outside of KirkWood on Saturday, November 7th at 8:00am.

Lots of helping hands will be needed for both events.