



This Week

Sunday, Sep. 13 *H.O.P.E. Offering*

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

11:00 a.m. Church Picnic/BBQ

Monday, Sep. 14

7:00 p.m. Welcome & Communication Meeting

Tuesday, Sep. 15

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Wednesday, Sep. 16

9:00 a.m. Gentle Yoga

10:30 a.m. Linus Group

6:00 p.m. Worship Band/Bell Choir Rehearsals

7:00 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal

Beautiful Mess

Thursday, Sep. 17

11:30 a.m. KirkWood Silver Luncheon

2:00 p.m. Stepping Stones

6:30 p.m. Bible Study – Sweers

Friday, Sep. 18

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

Saturday, Sep. 19

8:30 a.m. Cantata Boot Camp

6:00 p.m. Dining Partners – The Grey Goose

Sunday, Sep. 20

9:30 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery

10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship

11:00 a.m. UNITE Meeting,

Adult Classes/Sunday School for All Ages

12:00 p.m. Caregivers Support Group, Joyful Hearts Rehearsal

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



WELCOME

KirkWood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 13, 2026



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

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Order of Worship



Song	“Blessed Be Your Name”	
Welcome and Announcements		Pastor Mary Brown
Call to Worship		
Opening Prayer		
Hymn #442	“The Church’s One Foundation”	
Song	“Revelation Song”	
Children’s Message	The PC(USA) Seal: More Than Just a Logo	Lauren Malone
	Kids Dismissed to Play Praise	
Congregational Prayer		Pastor Chris Shearer
Affirmation of Faith – The Written Scriptures		
Sermon	Sealed (Week 1): We Believe in the Scriptures	Pastor Chris Shearer
Piano Reflection	“Kelvingrove (The Summons)”	Albertina Dowe
Song	“Good Good Father”	
Benediction		Pastor Chris Shearer

Today’s sanctuary flowers were donated
In loving memory of Janet Deaton



This Week’s Prayer Requests

Wendy B.	Marge K.	Tim C.’s mom
Jen C.	Tami M.	Barbara D.’s mom
Albertina D.	April M.	Jerry & Janet D.’s daughter, Jill
Ida D.	Rey O.	Betty D.’s sister, Madeline
David D.	Kim R.	Cathy H.’s mom, Joyce
Aleta G.	Jim R.	Olivia H.’s grandfather, Baker
Julia H.	Dyer V.	Jeane H.’s husband, Stan
Jeane H.	Pepper W.	Ted L.’s dad, Ted
		Lisa N.’s dad, Paul
		Lynn P.’s mom, Lillis
		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 – There are two opportunities to help package meals for this organization that works in countries worldwide to fight hunger, targeting communities facing high rates of food insecurity.

-Join with Hidenwood Presbyterian Church on Saturday, September 26 starting at 10:00 AM. They still need lots of volunteers. If you can help, please sign up at <http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/Hidenwood2026>.

-Help Yorkminster Presbyterian Church package 20,000 meals in two hours during their Rise Against Hunger event on Sunday, September 27th. 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>.

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. Pastor Chris plans to join us at the luncheon to hear our birthday stories. Subs are \$10 each Sign up in the Narthex so we can know what sub you like and how many will attend.

KirkWood Dining Partners: Let's get together for some good food, fun and fellowship. We are going to Grey Goose located at 10 Mallory Street in the Phoebus section of Hampton on Saturday, September 19 at 6:00 p.m. Meet at the church at 5:25 p.m. to ride the van or carpool to the restaurant. Sign up in the foyer or email Cindy W. at cwillic114@gmail.com.

Blessing Fund - In the last 3 months, \$12,523.73 from the Blessing Fund has been used to assist many people in various situations. \$4,500 was used to help 11 families with obtaining or retaining housing. More than \$5,000 was used for medical aid. Over \$1,000 was used to help people with paying their utilities. And over \$1,500 was used within our congregation and the larger community for gift cards, flowers, gifts to celebrate milestones, and other resources. Our current balance has dipped below \$500 so we are limited in how much we can help, who we can help, etc. Please consider donating.

Mission Collections - TODAY (and the second Sunday of every month) is our collection for HOPE (Helping Other People Eat). Donations are divided between Menchville House, Faith Recovery, Natasha House, and the Congo Feeding Program.



Announcements

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?

8:30 Adult Class Change - Due to a schedule conflict, The FIRST LIGHT Sunday School class at 8:30 on Sundays, facilitated by Nate Nickerson, will now start on Sep. 27th in the Library instead of 20 Sep. Feel free to drop in!

Play Praise Update – Play Praise is available for children Pre-K–2nd grade. This change will help us create a more age-appropriate worship experience for our youngest worshippers.

Older elementary children, tweens, and teens are invited to use the Worship Hub before worship, where they can choose from Worship Bags with fidgets and activities, picture books and Story Bibles, Kid and Teen Bibles, sermon note catchers, and clipboards with more advanced coloring and puzzles. The Worship Hub offers resources for all ages to help children and youth engage in worship in ways that work best for them.

Children's Choir Returns September 20! There will be two age-specific choirs and dedicated rehearsal times:

- Joyful Noise (Grades 3–5): Rehearses during worship, at the same time as Play Praise.
- Joyful Hearts (PK–2nd): Rehearses immediately following Sunday School.

Last year, we began separating the choirs by age; this year, we're building on that structure with separate names and rehearsal times outside of Sunday School to create a better experience for each group. Registration is required for both choirs. More information and registration details will be available soon!



(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. You can sign up online at <https://rebrand.ly/KWpatch26> to work in the Patch!

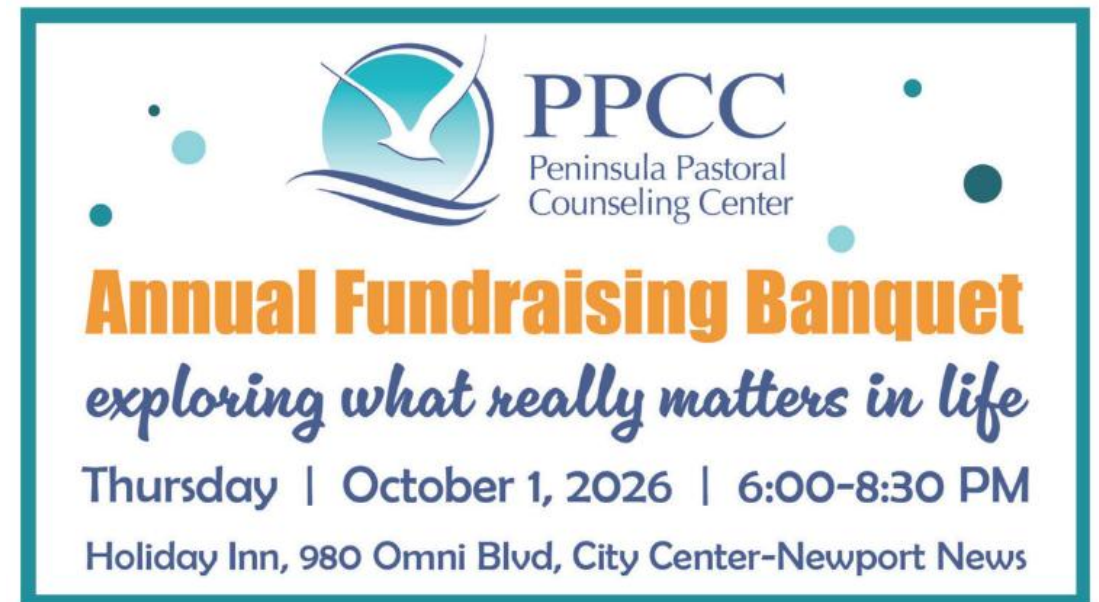
Also, there will be pumpkin patch terminal training at 9:00 a.m. on September 27th and October 4th in the Fellowship Hall. Questions? Call or email Lisa Nickerson, Toni Fisher, Jamie Reno, or Arba Williamson.

Save the Dates

- There will be a second pumpkin delivery on October 17th.
- Pumpkin Palooza will be on October 24th from 11am-4pm.
- 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.

The rock painting event was a huge success! We had 8 volunteers and painted about 75 rocks. Thanks to all for helping. The rocks will go into the pumpkin patch for children to find.



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.

