



This Week

Sunday, Oct. 18

- 8:30 a.m. Adult Class
- 9:30 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery, Play Praise/Joyful Noise
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
- 11:00 a.m. Adult Classes/Sunday School for All Ages
- 12:00 p.m. Caregivers Support Group, Joyful Hearts
- 12:45 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting

Monday, Oct. 19

- 9:00 a.m. PEVA General Presbyter Office Hours
- 7:00 p.m. Monday Rendezvous

Tuesday, Oct. 20

- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Wednesday, Oct. 21

- 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. Cantata Choir Rehearsal, Beautiful Mess
- 7:35 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Oct. 22

- 2:00 p.m. Stepping Stones
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study – Sweers
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Small Group

Friday, Oct. 23

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

Saturday, Oct. 24

- 11:00 a.m. Pumpkin Palooza
- 6:00 p.m. Dining Partners – Tuscany Ristorante Italiano

Sunday, Oct. 25

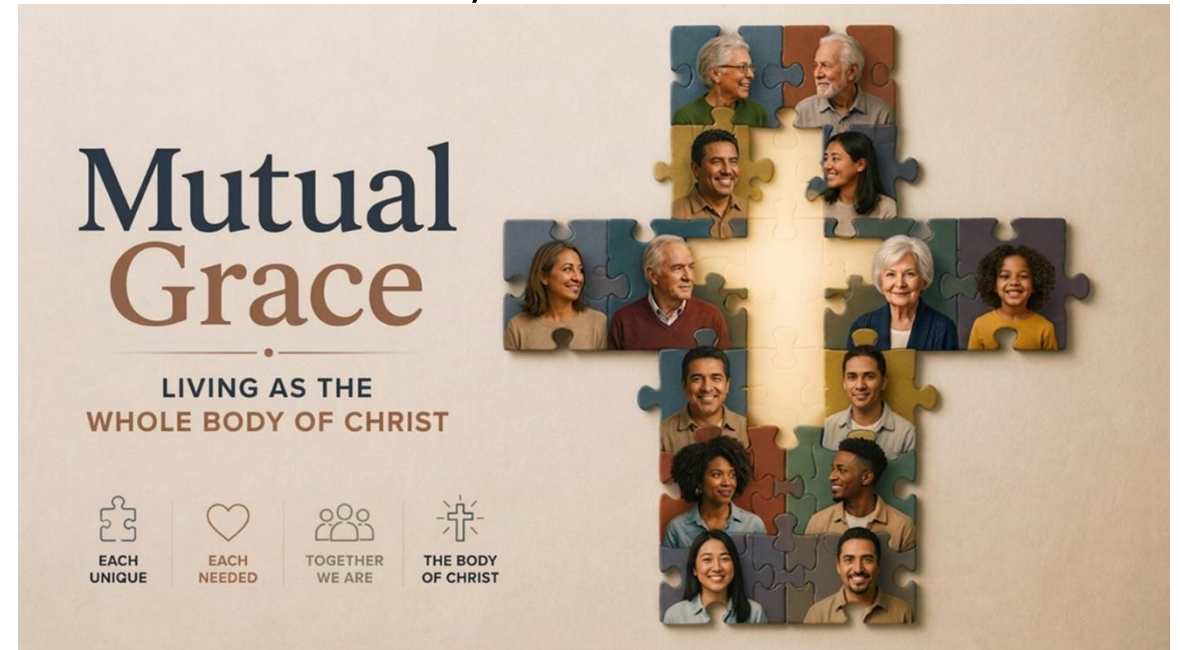
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Please see the full [calendar on the church website](#).



WELCOME

KirkWood Presbyterian Church
Sunday, October 18, 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

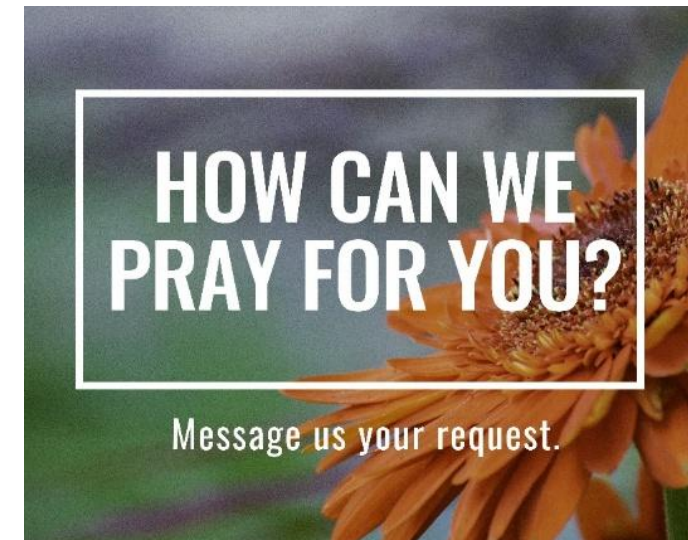


Welcome		Pastor Chris Shearer
Announcements		
Piano Meditation	"He Is Lord" arr. Janet Vogt	Albertina Dowe
Scripture Reading – The Gospel of Matthew 20:20-21, 24-28		Pastor Mary Brown
Opening Prayer		
Hymn #361	"How Firm A Foundation" v. 1, 2, 3, 5	
Song	"God You're So Good"	
Scripture Reading – Philippians 2:1-11		Pastor Mary Brown
Congregational Prayer		
Preschool to 2 nd Dismissed to Play Praise/3 rd -5 th Dismissed to Joyful Noise		
Presentation	Mutual Grace 3: Unbent Through Service, and the Administration, Property & Facilities, and Planning & Leadership Development Committees	Pastor Chris Shearer Tammie Organski Jamie Reno Murray Ritter
Song	"House of the Lord"	
Congregational Benediction	"Aaron's Blessing" Fernando Ortega	
Song	"What A Friend"	



This Week's Prayer Requests

Wendy B.	Marge K.	Tim C.'s mom
Wanda B.	Tami M.	Barbara D.'s mom
Mary B.	April M.	Michael & Barbara D.'s daughter
Jen C.	Rey O.	Jerry & Janet D.'s daughter, Jill
Bob C.	Zora P.	Jerry & Janet D.'s daughter, Julie
Albertina D.	Kim R.	Betty D.'s sister, Madeline
David D.	Jim R.	Catherine G.'s dad, Louis
Aleta G.	Sandy R.	Cathy H.'s mom, Joyce
Julia H.	Amy V.	Olivia H.'s grandfather, Baker
Jeane H.	Dyer V.	Jeane H.'s husband, Stan
	Pepper W.	Holly K.'s husband, Farold
		Ted L.'s dad, Ted
		Lisa N.'s dad, Paul
		El S.'s brother, Mark



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.



The Pumpkin Patch is in full swing. There are plenty of opportunities to volunteer at the Pumpkin Patch for everyone (kids too). You can sign up online at <https://rebrand.ly/KWpatch26> to work in the Patch!

Save the Dates

- Thank you to everyone who has helped with unloading pumpkins, working in the patch, counting in the evenings, etc.
- Pumpkin Palooza will be on October 24th from 11am-4pm. See more info below.
- We will take down the Pumpkin Patch and clean up the outside of KirkWood on Saturday, November 7th at 8:30am.

PUMPKIN PALOOZA!!

Pumpkin Palooza will be held on Saturday, October 24th from 11am - 4pm. There will be a Food Truck (U'Crave), Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream, inflatables, and activities for kids of all ages. This has been a very popular event for our surrounding community. In the past, there have been over 750 visitors to our Pumpkin Palooza. What a wonderful opportunity to meet and greet our neighbors and to show our appreciation for their support of the Pumpkin Patch mission. If you have any questions, contact Arba Williamson.

Volunteers are key to the success of Pumpkin Palooza.

6-7 Volunteers are needed for each 2-hour shift to:

Greet visitors (1)

Monitor the food court (1)

Assist children at the Elephant Bounce House, Kiddie High Striker, Hula Hoop Toss, and Pumpkin Bag Toss stations (4-5)

Shifts will be:

10:30am - 12:30pm

12:30pm - 2:30pm

2:30pm - 4:30pm

Sign up in the hallway near the Fellowship Hall!



Announcements

Menu of Sunday morning options for adults – October 18

At 8:30

- **First Light** - An informal discussion group – Nate Nickerson facilitator
 - **Room 5**
 - "The Bible with and without Jesus: How Jews and Christians Read the Same Stories Differently"

At 11:00

- **Reflections** – discussion of this week's sermon topic
 - **Room 3 Property and Facilities, Planning and Leadership Development, and Administration**
 - Come learn more about the why's and how's of KirkWood's facility care, planning, and financial administration and opportunities to serve. Led by Jamie, Tammie, Murray and others.
- **Explorations –**
 - **Room 5 Pastor Chris' Office – The Geography of Your Spiritual Life**
 - Pastor Chris
- **Deep Roots** – in-depth Bible study
 - **Room 4 – Romans** Tony Sweers facilitator
- **The Grove** – no-agenda extended get-acquainted conversations
 - **Fellowship Hall and Narthex** – Jim Mershon host

Something for everyone. Where do you want to grow?

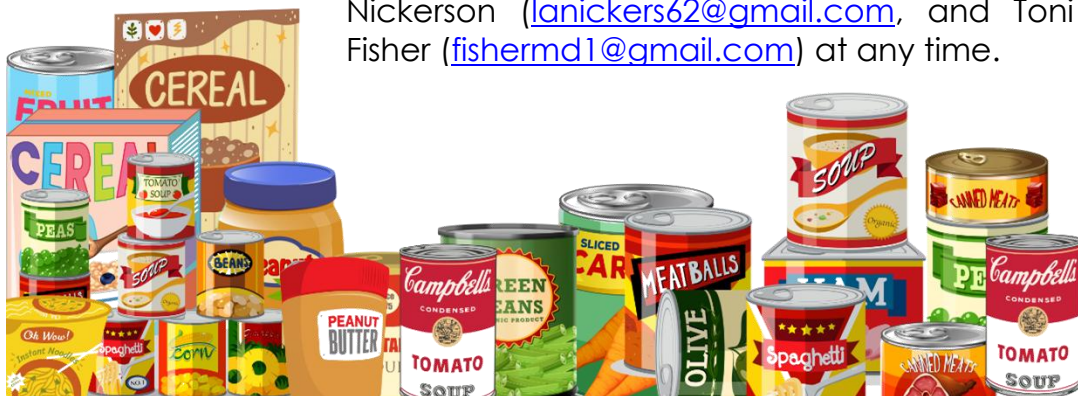
KirkWood Dining Partners - that's anyone who likes to fellowship with other KirkWoodians - are going to Tuscany Ristorante Italiano in Newport News on Saturday, October 24th at 6:00 p.m. The restaurant is located in Turnberry Crossing, 12638 Jefferson Ave. Meet at KirkWood at 5:30 p.m. to carpool or ride the van. All are welcome, no long-term commitment, and a good way to get to know others. Questions contact Cindy W. at cwillic114@gmail.com.

This morning's sanctuary flowers were donated by Tony Sweers in memory of his father, John Sweers

Helping Our Community One Meal at a Time KirkWood Food Kupboard



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/757-879-1301), Lisa Nickerson (lanickers62@gmail.com), and Toni Fisher (fishermd1@gmail.com) at any time.



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.



HELP!

In preparation for new flooring and chairs, we'll be moving pews out of the sanctuary on Sunday, November 8 at noon, and we need a lot of folks to stay for a while to help.

Please add the following dates to your calendar and make plans now to be here to help:

- **Sunday, November 8** - We will move pews and empty the sanctuary immediately after classes end. We need everyone to help with both big and small tasks. (Childcare is available for those assisting with moving the pews.)
- **Tuesday, November 10 from 5:00-8:00 pm** - We will be assembling the new chairs in the fellowship hall. There are 180 new chairs to put together. No skills required. We will be serving pizza for dinner.
- **Friday November 13 from 5:00-8:00 pm** - We will be assembling more chairs in the fellowship hall. We will be serving pizza for dinner again.
*If you cannot help in the evenings on November 10 and 13, please come at any time during the week to help assemble what you can. Instructions and tools will be provided. (Please call the church office before you come.)
- **Saturday, November 14 beginning at 9:00 am** - We will be moving the chairs back into the sanctuary. We will again need many hands to help put all 230 chairs back into place and be ready for Sunday's service.

Please note that the church will not be available for in-person meetings during the week of November 9 – 14. Contact Jamie Reno h2orenos@gmail.com or Pastor Chris with any questions.