This Week

Sunday, Nov. 1 *Food Pantry Collection, Daylight Saving Time Ends*
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. Joyful Hearts

Monday, Nov. 2
7:00 p.m. Monday Rendezvous

Tuesday, Nov. 3
6:00 p.m. Mission Meeting
7:00 p.m. Fellowship and Property & Facilities Meetings

Wednesday, Nov. 4
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, Nov. 5
2:00 p.m. Stepping Stones
6:30 p.m. Bible Study – Sweers

Friday, Nov. 6
7:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Group
6:30 p.m. *Preserving God's Beautiful World* Event

Saturday, Nov. 7
8:00 a.m. Pumpkin Patch Clean-up

Sunday, Nov. 8 *H.O.P.E. Offering*
8:30 a.m. Adult Class
9:30 a.m. Worship Service, Nursery, Play Praise/Joyful Noise
10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Military Appreciation
11:00 a.m. Adult Classes/Sunday School for All Ages, UNITE meeting
12:00 p.m. Clearing the Sanctuary, Joyful Hearts
12:45 p.m. KirkWood Kids/Krew Delivering Stockings to THRIVE

Please see the full calendar on the church website.

WELCOME

KirkWood Presbyterian Church
Sunday, November 1, 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

Welcome		Pastor Mary Brown
Announcements		
Call to Worship	Psalm 133	
Opening Prayer		
Song	“Way Maker”	
Anthem	“Quiet Faith” Heather Sorenson	Worship Choir

Preschool to 2nd Dismissed to Play Praise/3rd-5th Dismissed to Joyful Noise

Stewardship Moment	How does KirkWood nourish you? How can you nourish KirkWood?	Cindy Williamson
Congregational Prayer		
Sermon	Blessed Are the Peacemakers (Week 1): Why We Fight	Pastor Chris Shearer
Hymn #341	“Blessed Assurance”	
The Sacrament of the Lord’s Table		
Benediction		Pastor Chris Shearer
Song	“Glory to God Forever”	

This Week’s Prayer Requests

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

Sympathy to the family of Mattie Deckert (Kathy F.’s mom)

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.

Menu of Sunday morning options for Adults – **November 1**

At 8:30

- **First Light** - An informal discussion group – Nate Nickerson facilitator
  - **Room 5**
  - "In the Dust of the Rabbi- Ray Vander Laan video series The Disciples in Israel and Turkey"

At 11:00

- **Reflections** – discussion of this week's sermon topic
  - **Room 3** **Conflict Resolution**
  - Discussion led by Don McLean

- **Explorations –**
  - **Room 5** – **PCUSA Values impacting Politics and Voting**
    - Jamie Reno and Cindy Williamson
- **Deep Roots** – in-depth Bible study
  - **Room 4 – *Romans*** Tony Sweers facilitator

- **The Grove** – no-agenda extended get-acquainted conversations
  - **Fellowship Hall and Narthex** – April Merson host

Something for everyone. Where do you want to grow?

Mission Collections – TODAY (and the first Sunday of each month) is our food collection of non-perishable foods and monetary donations, dedicated specifically to the food closet at St Luke's United Methodist Church. 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

Announcements

Welcome to **Stewardship month** at KirkWood. Today Cindy W. will discuss how you help our leaders to nourish people who enter our doors.

2026-2027 Directories are available in the foyer. Please take one per family. If you would prefer a digital copy, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

The next **Voices of Faith in Action** education event is Friday, November 6th from 6:30 - 8:00 pm here at KirkWood. The topic for this quarter is "Preserving God's Beautiful World." The focus is on environmental issues. We will have speakers covering Water conservation, Waste Management and Recycling, Sanitation issues and Environmental Justice. This quarter our speakers will be providing additional information and activities geared towards our youth of all ages who will meet in the Fellowship Hall. We encourage you to make it a family event where all of you can learn about Preserving God's Beautiful World.

Veterans Day is Wednesday, November 11th. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 8th as we honor our military and veterans. The Fellowship team will have cake in addition to our usual snacks. Thank you!

KirkWood Silver November luncheon: KirkWood Silver will gather at the Plaza Azteca in Hampton on Thursday, November 12, at 11:30 am. Please look for the signup sheet in the narthex and plan to join us for food and fellowship.

Thank you to all who have volunteered over the last few weeks to make the pumpkin patch and palooza a success! We will take down the Pumpkin Patch and clean up the outside of KirkWood on Saturday, November 7th at 8:30am. All help is appreciated.

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.

KirkWood Friendsgiving – Save the date for our Friendsgiving dinner at KirkWood on Saturday, November 21 at 5:30 pm. Come gather with our KirkWood family for turkey, ham, and all the trimmings as we share a joyful evening and celebrate our blessings together. The Fellowship Committee is providing the turkey and ham, and we are asking you to bring a favorite side dish or dessert to share. Whether this is your first Friendsgiving or one of many, we would love to have you with us.

After dinner, children are invited upstairs for fun turkey-themed activities. We would also be grateful for volunteers to help with the **Turkey Bowl** activities; if you can lend a hand, please contact Lauren Malone.

As part of our Friendsgiving celebration, we invite you to help stock the KirkWood Food Kupboard by bringing a non-perishable food donation. The most-needed items are canned meat, canned fruit, cereal, stew or chili, peanut butter, jelly, Hamburger Helper, single-serving Chef Boyardee meals, and chunky soups such as Progresso.

Please sign up by November 19 using this link (http://www.rebrand.ly/kwfg26) or the signup sheet in the foyer so we can make sure there is plenty of food and a welcoming place for everyone.

PORT: Volunteers are needed to help with PORT. Sign-up sheets are on the Mission board in the hallway. Contact Jamie(h2orenos@gmail.com) to help pack breakfast bags.

- Saturday 11/14 – St. Stephen Episcopal
- Thursday 12/17 - New Beech Grove Baptist
- Tuesday 02/23 - Hilton Baptist
- Monday 03/22 - Denbigh United Presbyterian

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.