This Week

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

Monday, Nov. 9
7:00 p.m. Welcome & Communication Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 10
5:00 p.m. Assembling Chairs/Pizza Dinner
7:00 p.m. Compassionate Care Meetings

Wednesday, Nov. 11
10:30 a.m. Linus Group
6:00 p.m. Worship Band Meeting
7:00 p.m. Beautiful Mess

Thursday, Nov. 12
11:30 a.m. KirkWood Silver – Plaza Azteca
2:00 p.m. Stepping Stones
7:00 p.m. Women's Small Group

Friday, Nov. 13
7:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Group
5:00 p.m. Assembling Chairs/Pizza Dinner

Saturday, Nov. 14
9:00 a.m. Setting Up the Sanctuary
3:00 p.m. PORT – St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
Boy Scouts Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
5:30 p.m. Krew Night Weekly Youth Group

Sunday, Nov. 15
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, Caregivers Support Group
1:00 p.m. Cantata Narrators Rehearsal

Please see the full calendar on the church website.

WELCOME

KirkWood Presbyterian Church
Sunday, November 8, 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		
Special Music	"Morning Has Broken" arr. Sandra Eithun	Handbell Ensemble
Scripture Reading	Psalm 41:4-13	Pastor Mary Brown
Opening Prayer		
Song	"Never Gonna Let Me Go"	
Hymn #263	"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"	
Children's Message	Wait… Who Pays for All This?!	Lauren Malone
Preschool to 2nd Dismissed to Play Praise/3rd-5th Dismissed to Joyful Noise		
Stewardship Moment	How KirkWood Has Nourished Me	April Mershon Pepper Westbrook
Congregational Prayer		Pastor Chris Shearer
Sermon	Blessed Are the Peacemakers (Week 2): Sage Conflict Wisdom from Scripture	Rev. Dr. Lissa Long
Song	"Not To Us"	
Prayer for KirkWood		Rev. Dr. Lissa Long
Benediction		

This Week's Prayer Requests

Wendy B.
Wanda B.
Jen C.
Bob C.
Albertina D.
David D.
Aleta G.
Cathy Ha.
Julia H.
Jeane H.
Marge K.
April M.
Zora P.
Kim R.
Jim R.
Sandy R.
Jeannine S.
Amy V.
Dyer V.
Pepper W.
Tim C.'s mom
Barbara D.'s mom
Michael & Barbara D.'s daughter
Jerry & Janet D.'s daughter, Jill
Jerry & Janet D.'s daughter, Julie
Betty D.'s sister, Madeline
Catherine G.'s dad, Louis
Cathy H.'s mom, Joyce
Olivia H.'s grandfather, Baker
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



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 8**

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
  - **Sanctuary Wing Conflict Resolution**
  - Discussion led by Rev. Dr. Lissa Sumner Long

- **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 Mershon host

Something for everyone. Where do you want to grow?

Mission Collection – 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.

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.

Flowers were donated by Jim & Cathy Kibler
In Celebration of Katie & David Mitchell's 23rd Anniversary

Announcements

HELP!

In preparation for new flooring and chairs, we'll be moving pews out of the sanctuary today 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:

- **TODAY, 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 and Friday, November 13 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.
  *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.

Hanging of the Greens – November 22 - Join us immediately after worship on November 22 for our annual Hanging of the Greens! All ages are welcome as we come together to decorate our church and prepare for Advent. No special skills are needed — just bring yourself and a willing heart! Lunch will be provided! Stay, share a meal, and enjoy some fellowship as we celebrate the season together.
Can't join us on 11/22? There will be additional opportunities to help with staging and decorating wreaths before 11/22. Times and additional details are TBA. We hope to see you there!

We are in full swing of the **Stewardship** season at KirkWood. April M. and Pepper W. will be talking to you about how KirkWood nourishes us. Please prayerfully consider how you can help to nourish our congregation.

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 Monthly Messenger is KirkWood's monthly guide to what's ahead at KirkWood, highlighting upcoming events, key ministries, and elements of our Presbyterian identity. If you were not able to view this online, there are a few hard copies in the Narthex.

Flower Ministry - 2027 Dates are available online. If you would like to donate sanctuary flowers, you can sign up in the foyer, call/email the office, or go to the online signup at https://rebrand.ly/kwflowers. You can dedicate flowers for a special occasion or in memory/honor of someone. Flowers are $35.00 per week. You can pay online at https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z213/home or send a check with "Flowers" on the memo line.



Veterans Day is Wednesday, November 11th. Please remember to join us in the fellowship hall after service today to enjoy some cake and to honor our military and veterans. 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.

No plans for Thanksgiving dinner? Bruce and Caroline Buchanan invite you to join them for semi-traditional Thanksgiving dinner. Football and snacks at 4:30, dinner at 5:30. If interested, contact Bruce at 757-725-6001 or r.bruce.buchanan@gmail.com by Thursday, 12 November.

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

Our next **Red Cross Blood Drive** is scheduled for Thursday, November 19 from 1-5:30 in the fellowship hall. Schedule your appointment on www.redcrossblood.org, Sponsor Code: KirkwoodPC. If you would like help making your appointment or how to help, please contact Cathy Hudgins at hudgepudge@aol.com. We also need volunteers to help from 1-3:30 in canteen (1) and 2 volunteers for registration from 3:30-5:30