This Week

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

Monday, Nov. 16
7:00 p.m. Monday Rendezvous

Tuesday, Nov. 17
7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Wednesday, Nov. 18
9:00 a.m. Gentle Yoga
10:30 a.m. Linus Group
6:00 p.m. Worship Band, Handbell Choir Rehearsals
7:00 p.m. Cantata Choir Rehearsal, Beautiful Mess
7:35 p.m. Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Nov. 19
1:00 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive
6:30 p.m. Bible Study - Sweers

Friday, Nov. 20
7:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Group

Saturday, Nov. 21
5:30 p.m. Friendsgiving/The Great Turkey Bowl Competition

Sunday, Nov. 22
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. Hanging of the Greens, Sunday School for Children/Youth
12:00 p.m. Aging with Grace Group
12:30 p.m. Lunch for Hanging of the Greens Volunteers

Please see the full calendar on the church website.

WELCOME

KirkWood Presbyterian Church
Sunday, November 15, 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		
Special Music	"Raise Your Hands" Heather Sorenson	Heather Caughorn Vangie Cumming Olivia Hollowell
Responsive Reading – Blessing a Newly-Renovated Sanctuary		
Opening Prayer		Pastor Chris Shearer
Song	"Open Up the Heavens"	
Hymn #450	"O Day of Peace"	
Anthem	"Here Comes Moses" Joseph Martin	Worship Choir Joyful Noise, Joyful Hearts

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

Stewardship Moment	"Only One Person Knows"	Tammie Organski
Congregational Prayer		Pastor Mary Brown
Sermon	Blessed Are the Peacemakers (Week 3): Trust the Process	Pastor Chris Shearer
Song	"Forever"	
Benediction		Pastor Mary Brown

This Week's Prayer Requests

Wendy B.
Wanda B.
Jen C.
Bob C.
Albertina D.
Ida 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 15

At 11:00

- **Reflections** – discussion of this week's sermon topic
  - **Sanctuary Wing Conflict Resolution**
  - Discussion led by Bill Gilbert

- **Explorations –**
  - **Room 5** – **Silence/ Solitude as a Spiritual Practice**
    - Pastor Mary
- **Deep Roots** – in-depth Bible study
  - **Room 4 – *Romans*** Tony Sweers facilitator

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

Something for everyone. Where do you want to grow?

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.



Announcements

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.

Hanging of the Greens – November 22

Join us for our annual Hanging of the Greens as we prepare our church for Advent! We'll begin at **11:00 AM,** immediately after coffee and fellowship hour. **Adult Sunday Classes will hit pause on 11/22** so that *all y'all* can participate.

Youth and children's programming will be offered at 11:00 AM in an abbreviated format, after which preschool-4th grade will rejoin their families at 11:45 in the fellowship hall **to help decorate downstairs while the 5th-12th grades decorate upstairs**. Sign up for Sunday School activities at https://kirkwoodpcusa.churchcenter.com/registrations/signups/4026246 or scan the QR code.

All ages are welcome, and no special skills are needed—just bring yourself and a willing heart!

We'll all take a break at **12:30 PM** to refuel with **lunch provided for everyone!** After all, decorating takes energy! We'll also share a brief *Advent Moment* to learn more about the meaning and traditions of Hanging of the Greens.

Can't make it on the 22nd? We're looking for a few extra hands on **Tuesday, November 17, at 8:00 AM** at the church to help stage the event and fluff and decorate wreaths. We appreciate your help and hope to see you there!

Today's Sanctuary Flowers were donated by Hugh & Zora Parker
In Celebration of their 57th Wedding Anniversary

Stewardship – Next Sunday is the big day! Please prayerfully consider how your money, through your commitment, can help nourish KirkWood.

KirkWood Friendsgiving is 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.
To sign up for the Turkey Bowl, please go to
https://kirkwoodpcusa.churchcenter.com/registrations/signups/4016073

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.

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.

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.

- Thursday 12/17 - New Beech Grove Baptist
- Tuesday 02/23 - Hilton Baptist
- Monday 03/22 - Denbigh United Presbyterian

Undies Sunday - Today begins our second annual Undies Sunday Donation Drive in support of the clothing closet during PORT season.

How You Can Help: Bring new underwear, briefs, boxers, socks, undershirts, and underclothes for layering and warmth.
Where to Drop Off: In the clothing bin in the Narthex
Dates: TODAY, November 15 through December 6

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.

The KirkWood Walking Group will be taking a break in November because so much is going on at KirkWood every Saturday of the month. But we'll return on Saturday December 19th for our annual holiday time trip to Colonial Williamsburg walking along Duke of Gloucester St. Stay tuned for details next month. Contact Jan and Bruce Knight with any questions.