



Staying Connected



Worship Schedule

- November 6 All Saints Sunday, Luke 6:20-31, Ephesians 1:11-23
- November 13 Guest Preacher: Steve Berg
- November 20 Thanksgiving Worship, Luke 1:68-79, Psalm 46
- November 27 First Sunday of Advent, Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans 13:11-14

Bible Study

Looking to connect more deeply with God and each other? Join our Sunday morning Bible Study, every other Sunday at 8:30 am in the Fireside Room. The next gathering will be November 13th.

All Saints Sunday

With Sunday, November 6th being All Saints Day, First Presbyterian Church will offer a special worship service to acknowledge loved ones who have passed away. Join us as we remember and celebrate the lives of those who have gone before. Please bring a picture of your loved one.

Change Sunday

Falling back an hour in November means that it is time again to scrape the bottom of purses, wallets, and couch cushions for any spare change to share. Change Sunday is November 6th—keep collecting your change!



Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service

Worship with the surrounding churches at Living Waters Church in Waverly, MN on Sunday, November 20th, at 3:00 pm. Join others as they give thanks for the blessing of the harvest and of the preceding year.

November Birthdays:

- Terry Robinson 2
- Maureen Hornstein 4
- Julie Workman 7
- Jack Jones 12
- Deb Dahlberg 13
- Taylor Workman 21
- Johnny Berg 21
- Mclane Robinson 26



"Oh give thanks to The Lord, for He is good. His mercy endures forever."
~ Psalm 107:1



Needed Prayers



Please Pray for...

Healing: Rose Barberg's daughter Cheryl Paicius, Chris, Lee Gutknecht, Alma Robinson's grandson, Chris Robinson, Mike Koeppel, and Sherry Young (Trudy Berg's sister)

At The Lodge: Anna Hohag, Phyllis Smith and Delores Lahr

At Brookridge: Reta Blanchette and Alice Swanson

Please Pray for thankfulness and joy for. . . Zach Gunderson! Lord, bless him and keep him in your loving care!

"No matter where we begin, if we pursue knowledge diligently and honestly,
our quest will inevitably lead us from the things of the earth to the things of heaven."

~ Hugh Nibley

Looking Ahead

- November 2 — 5:15 pm Youth Program, 6:15 pm Meal, 6:45 pm Sending prayer
- November 4 — *World Community Day*
- November 6 — 22nd Sunday after Pentecost; Daylight Savings Time ends; Change Sunday; All Saints Sunday, a Day of Remembrance & Recognition; 9:30 am Worship; 10:30 am Fellowship
- November 8 — 6:30 pm Session Meeting
- November 11 — *Veterans Day*
- November 13 — 23rd Sunday after Pentecost; Hunger & Homelessness Sunday; 8:30-9:15 am Bible Study & Prayer Time; 9:30 am Worship; 10:30 am Fellowship
- November 16 — 5:15 pm Youth Program, 6:15 pm Meal, 6:45 pm Sending prayer
- November 20 — *Christ the King Sunday*; 9:30 am Worship; 10:30 am Fellowship; 3:00 pm Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service @ Living Waters Church
- November 24 — *Thanksgiving Day*

Letter from Pastor Cathy

One of the hardest things we do is naming our reality. Hearing the words "I have cancer," "I'm an addict," "I have been abused," come out of our own mouths with our own voices can be startling. It is also very powerful in doing so we name it and claim it.

As we continue the conversation of church health, the same is true.

As you hear people profess "Can we keep a pastor?"

"The church is not as full on a Sunday morning"

"There is not as many children and young families"

"Are we going to have to close the doors?"

These fears are important to pay attention to, it's a way of letting our fears out and not holding them inside. In church we call this confession. Jesus lifts the burdens we carry to offer us new life and new opportunities...and new treatment plans.

We have choices!

1. Be experimental, try something new, don't give up without trying some new treatments
2. Find another congregation to partner with us and build connections; who can we become better together with as partners in the gospel?
3. Die with dignity, celebrate the legacy and come up with a plan to do so.
4. Rebirth, close and reopen as something completely different, transplanting something new and vital.
5. Do nothing, no choice, slowly fade until some other condition makes the decision for us.

The best news is God is with us through all of this, helping guide and direct us to the best possible outcome for this time and space. As we heard throughout the recent sermon series...with God all things are possible! We are called to be intentional in following Christ and bringing others along on that journey. Pray for God's guidance for us and we plan for 2023 and beyond.

Peace,
Pastor Cathy