



LIVING HOPE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Living Hope Presbyterian Church seeks to inspire and empower through the Gospel.

From the Pastor...

November 2022 Newsletter

Welcome to November, even if it feels more like September right now with high temperatures in the 60s. We, as Wisconsinites, know that this weather will not continue. In fact, I don't want it to continue. There's something special about that crispness in the air that comes with autumn setting in. The warmth of the house at Thanksgiving time with the smells of cooking don't seem the same if you don't have the contrast of the cool temperatures outdoors. Even so, I am grateful for this day and the ability to go outside with only a light jacket.

In our lives there are so many things for which to be thankful beyond the weather. Our family and friends provide comfort and a place for us to be over service. Our resources give us enough to provide for our basic needs and some left over to share. Our location here in the US also gives us the freedom to make choices about how we live our lives. In this season of gratitude, it is also appropriate for us to remember how we have been blessed by God.

This month we also dedicate our stewardship commitments for the coming year. As we do that, it is also good for us to remember all that we have to be thankful for. The connections that we have to one another and the mission that God has given us fosters meaning and purpose.

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The way that we are together through the ups and downs of life allows us to live with more confidence in God's providence. The mission that we engage allows us to see our impact on the world and how we participate in God's re-creation of the world.

Our commitment to God and one another should be one that comes from gratitude for all that we have been given. This month, let us show that gratitude to God and to those around us by being Committed Together.

In Christ,

Will



Did You Know that We Have Affiliate Membership?

If you are a regular attender here at Living Hope, but have a congregation that you have been a member at for a long time and don't want to change your membership, you can become an Affiliate Member of Living Hope.

Affiliate membership recognizes the relationship that you have with Living Hope without having to give up the relationship that you have with your congregation. Unfortunately, being an affiliate member doesn't allow you to serve on the session (church board) or as a deacon, but there are many other ways that you can get involved here at Living Hope.

If you have questions about or are interested in Affiliate Membership, please talk with Pastor Will or one of the members of the session. If you decide that you would like to join as an affiliate member, we will send a letter to your home congregation letting them know about your desire to become an affiliate member and that we are here to help them as they continue to care for you as a member of their congregation. We will also have a new members/affiliate class in January, where we will talk more about what it means to be a Presbyterian and also go over the details of both full membership and affiliate membership.

Thank Offering

On Sunday, November 20, we will dedicate the 2022 Thank Offering. This offering supports grants to fund programs that provide education, relief from disasters, safe housing, cooking instruction, training for justice and advocacy work, and more. Won't you help to alleviate the suffering of others? Please mark your check or envelope "THANK." Thank you for your generosity.



Advent Devotional - by Nov 20

The stories, scriptures, and traditions of the Christmas season have been passed down to us throughout the generations. Many of us enter this season with a swell of memories and emotions as vast as the cultural and religious rituals this holiday holds. Like a tapestry woven throughout time, the Christmas story weaves us in – to remember how God has shown up in the past, to continue the work of collective liberation, to behold the presence of God in flesh and bone.

From Generation to Generation... reminds us of the ways our lives, histories, actions, and stories are interconnected and woven together. This Advent, may you remember that you belong – to a story etched into the wrinkles of time, to generations that have come before and will come after, to a love that won't let you go.



First Sunday Food Pantry

Nov 6

Dec 4

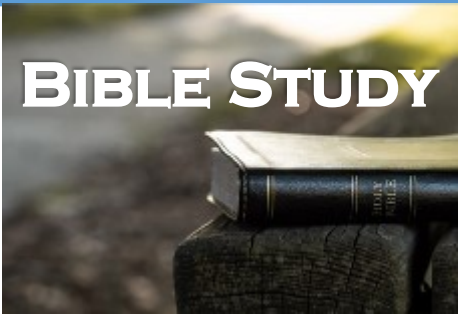
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Food Pantry Sunday

First Sunday of each month

Please mark any monetary donations "Food Pantry" and they will be split between the two pantries we support. The collection bin is in the church Gathering Place. Thank you for your continued generosity.



Monday Bible Study

Mondays at 9:45 AM

Join us for a discussion about the coming Sunday's lectionary readings either in-person in Fellowship Hall or watch on Channel 966 .

Nov 7	Isaiah 65:17-25; Luke 21:5-19	for Nov 13
Nov 14	Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43	for Nov 20
Nov 21	Isaiah 11:1-10; Matthew 1:1-17	for Nov 27
Nov 28	Isaiah 7:10-16; Luke 1:26-38	for Dec 4

Faith Conversations - Fall Schedule

First and Third 1:30-2:30 pm

Thursdays - November 3 and 17

Meet in **Fellowship Hall** or join us on **channel 966**.
Come with curiosity and respect as we explore what other faiths and denominations believe and how they live that out.



November 3 - Assembly of God Life Church

November 17 - United Methodist Church

THANKFUL NOVEMBER 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30 10 AM Worship 11:15 AM - Deacon Meeting	31 9:45 AM Bible Study—FH	1 November	2	3 1:30 PM Faith Conversations	4	5
6 10 AM Worship - with Communion  	7 9:45 AM Bible Study—FH	8	9	10	11	12
13 8:45 AM Sunday School 10 AM Worship 	14 9:45 AM Bible Study—FH	15 6:30pm Finance Meeting	16	17 1:30 PM Faith Conversations	18	19
20 10 AM Worship - Thank Offering 11:30 AM Session	21 9:45 AM Bible Study—FH	22	23	24 	25	26
27 Advent 1 10 AM Worship	28 9:45 AM Bible Study—FH	29	30	1 December	2	3



We are a connectional church...connected in faith to God – Father, Son, Holy Spirit. Jesus taught us that prayer connects us to the Divine...and to each other.

Each month we list our faith community. Every family has a date when we ask you to hold them in prayer.

November Prayer Calendar



November Birthdays

The Care and Concern of the
Congregation is with:

Anniversary Wishes to:

Did we miss your birthday or anniversary?
Please let the office know so we can
update our files.

Oct Attendance

Average in person: 39

Average on Zoom: 5

Total Average Attendance: 44

(we cannot track how many people
watch on Ch 966)

FINANCIAL UPDATE - As of September 30, 2022							
				Actual	Budget		Fav/(Unfav) Variance
Total Income - YTD				\$ 88,691.54	\$ 72,900.00		\$ 15,791.54
Total Expense - YTD				\$119,814.77	\$ 110,475.00		\$ (9,339.77)
Net Income - YTD September 30, 2022				\$ (31,123.23)	\$ (37,575.00)		\$ 6,451.77
Unrestricted Funds as of September 30, 2022				\$325,749.63			
Gift and Memorial Monies not yet transferred				\$ 7,285.00		Actual Net Income	\$ (23,838.23)

NOVEMBER 6

All Saints Sunday
Daylight Saving Ends
First Sunday Food Pantry

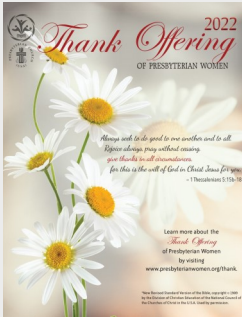


NOVEMBER 13

Dedication Sunday



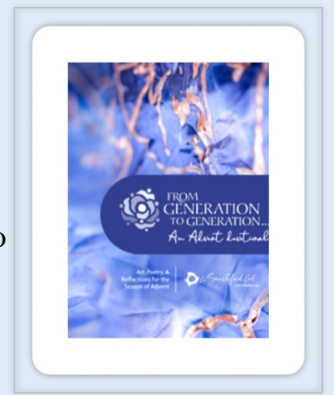
NOVEMBER 20



Christ the King/
Thanksgiving
Thank Offering

NOVEMBER 27

First Sunday of Advent
Look for your Advent
Devotionals at church to
pick up or in the mail.



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2022 Session Members: Michael Brady, Dorothy Dieter, Barb Foy, Joe Fresch, Kathryn Fresch, Mike McBride, Curtis MacDonald, Marcia Sinner

2022 Deacons: (A-B) Tom Tennyson (C-F) Ann Tennyson (G-K) Diane DeBoer – Moderator
(L-O) Cherie Andrus (P-R) LaVonne Gardner (S-Z) Ken DeBoer