THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Today (11/01)	9:30a 10:30a	Sunday School Worship Service
Monday (11/02)	9:00a 1:00p 6:30p	Bulletin Information Due Website Information Due Fellowship Cmte. Meeting Triad A Capella Connection
Tuesday (11/03)	11:00p	W&M Cmte. Meeting
Wednesday (11/04)	9:00a 7:00p	WW Meeting Choir Rehearsal
Saturday (11/07)		Private Event
Sunday (11/08)	9:30a 10:30a	Sunday School Worship Service —*Communion* Stewardship Sunday

Financial Update can be found on the bulletin board.

Pancake Breakfast

(Veterans Eat Free)



Saturday, November 14, 2026
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Helpers for Veterans Day Pancake Breakfast: On November 14, we will be honoring our Veterans by providing a Pancake Breakfast. ***Volunteers for the kitchen duties, servers and cashiers are needed.*** Please register on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board by noon on November 8, 2026.

Pennies for Hunger: Don't forget to drop your pennies in the "Hunger" pail located in the Narthex.

Dollars for Missions: All loose dollar bills placed in the collection plates will be earmarked for mission work—divided between FPC Mission Team and a Salem Presbytery mission.



Shoppers for Holiday Market Families: If you are interested in Christmas shopping for an adopted family, please register on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board. When you register, please indicate what size family you are willing to shop for. Deadline for registering is 12 noon on November 15, 2026. Thank you for your help.

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November 1, 2026—*All Saints' Day*

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Come, all who are thirsty, whose souls are fainting. Come, all whose troubles seem overwhelming.

All: ***The Source and Creator of all things welcomes us. God hears our cries and is ready to help us.***

One: Come, all who are pure, upright, and blameless. Come, all who dwell day by day in God's realm.

All: ***The messiah has more to teach us. Jesus turns us from seeking honor to humble service.***

One: Draw near and hear the word of God. Open your lives to the Spirit who fills all things.

All: ***We sense the presence of truth seeking to enter us. We feel the love of God eager to embrace us. Let us worship God!***

***HYMN NO. 14** *"For the Beauty of the Earth"* DIX

*Those who are able, please stand.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, help us to be honest with ourselves, with one another, and with you. We have searched for life amid temporary attractions. We have sought excitement in places that turned out to be desert wastelands. We have burdened others with our mistakes. We have sought honors and made comparisons to look better than those around us. We have devoted little time to thanking and praising you, the Source of all things. Open us now, O God, to the Word we need from you.

(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession.)

Amen.

RESPONSE

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: God gathers us from the east and the west, the north and the south, drawing us into a caring community where burdens are shared, hope is renewed, and people are freed and equipped to use their God-given gifts. Springs of water emerge from parched lands as we alert one another to blessings we had overlooked. Let the redeemed of the Creator say so. Let us give thanks to God, whose steadfast love endures forever. Friends, believe the good news…

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

***RESPONSE**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

(Please share a sign of peace with others.)

ANTHEM

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Leader: The Word of the Lord. Joshua 3:7-17

All: Thanks be to God. Matthew 23:1-12

SERMON *"The Elephant in the Room"* Rev. John Pruitt

*Those who are able, please stand.

SENDING

***HYMN NO. 724** *"O Jesus, I Have Promised"* ANGEL'S STORY

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *"The Apostles' Creed"*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father , Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***HYMN NO. 726** *"Will You Come and Follow Me"* KELVINGROVE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

In Memoriam

Since November 1st is All Saints' Day, we want to remember those of our Church family who have risen to the Church Triumphant during the past year (November 1, 2025 through October 31, 2026).

Bill Poe (10/21/2026) Deryel Clark (10/2026)

Serving Today (Nov 01)
Greeters/Ushers: Nancy Sharp, Linda Volcek

Serving Next Sunday (Nov 08)
Greeters/Ushers: Skip & Pam Smith
Element Prep: Lynda Self, Wanda Sampson
Assisting Elders: Skip Smith, Lynda Self, Nancy Sharp, Shari Downing

*Those who are able, please stand.

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