First Presbyterian Church

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Sunday, November 1, 2026
All Saints' Day

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema
DIRECTOR OF MODERN WORSHIP: Goggie Sween
INTERIM ORGANIST/CHOIRMASTER: Ethan Goss
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Kristin Kondratowski
WORSHIP LEADER/READER: 8:30am Barb Szczesniak / 11am Jeffrey Marsh

WORSHIP: 8:30am and 11:00am

Sunday, November 1, 2026 — *Welcome!* — 8:30am Worship

All Saints' Day

Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today.
"Be still and know that I am God." ~ Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE — *"Rêverie du Soir"* — arr. William Priestley

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS / RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 146
Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!
People: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

*HYMN — *"For All the Saints"* — No. 526

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION
God of life and resurrection, we give you thanks for those who have gone before us and established the culture and the faith that is such a vital part of this church. We praise you for the assurance that we have that whoever believes in you will have everlasting life. Forgive us for the fear that is always present when we live our lives. Turn our hearts to you to trust that your desire for us is an abundant life within the loving arms of your Son Jesus. It is in his name that we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE [*Please share Christ's peace with one another.*]

*HYMN — *"Spirit of the Living God"*
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE — Kristin Kondratowski

ANTHEM — *"Come to the Table of the Lord"* — Jay Althouse

FIRST SCRIPTURE — I Corinthians 15:54-58

SECOND SCRIPTURE — Ecclesiastes 3:2

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SERMON SERIES: A JOURNEY THROUGH ECCLESIASTES 3

SERMON — *"A Time for Life and Death"* — Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

*HYMN — *"Victory in Jesus"* — insert

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

*DOXOLOGY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
- Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer
- Words of Institution
- Welcome
- Distribution

*ALLELUIA

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE — Meditation on *"Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"* — Howard Zwick

**You are invited to stand if you are able during those places in the worship service marked with an asterisk.*

Sermon Notes

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Please contribute your tithes and offerings using one of the following methods:

- Place your contribution in the collection plate
- Scan the QR code to the right and follow the prompts
- Click the DONATE button on the church web site
- Mail your check to FPCS, 101 St. Decatur Street, Strasburg, PA 17579

Sunday, November 1, 2026 | *Welcome!* | 11:00am Service

All Saints' Day

Greeting and Announcements

*Praise & Worship — *Come To The Cross*, *Death Was Arrested*, *Way Maker*

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message — Kristin Kondratowski

Scripture — I Corinthians 15:54-58; Ecclesiastes 3:2

SERMON SERIES: A JOURNEY THROUGH ECCLESIASTES 3

Sermon — *"A Time for Life and Death"* — Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Offering

*Praise & Worship — *This Is Our God*

*Benediction

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Prayer Requests Please keep the following in your prayers.

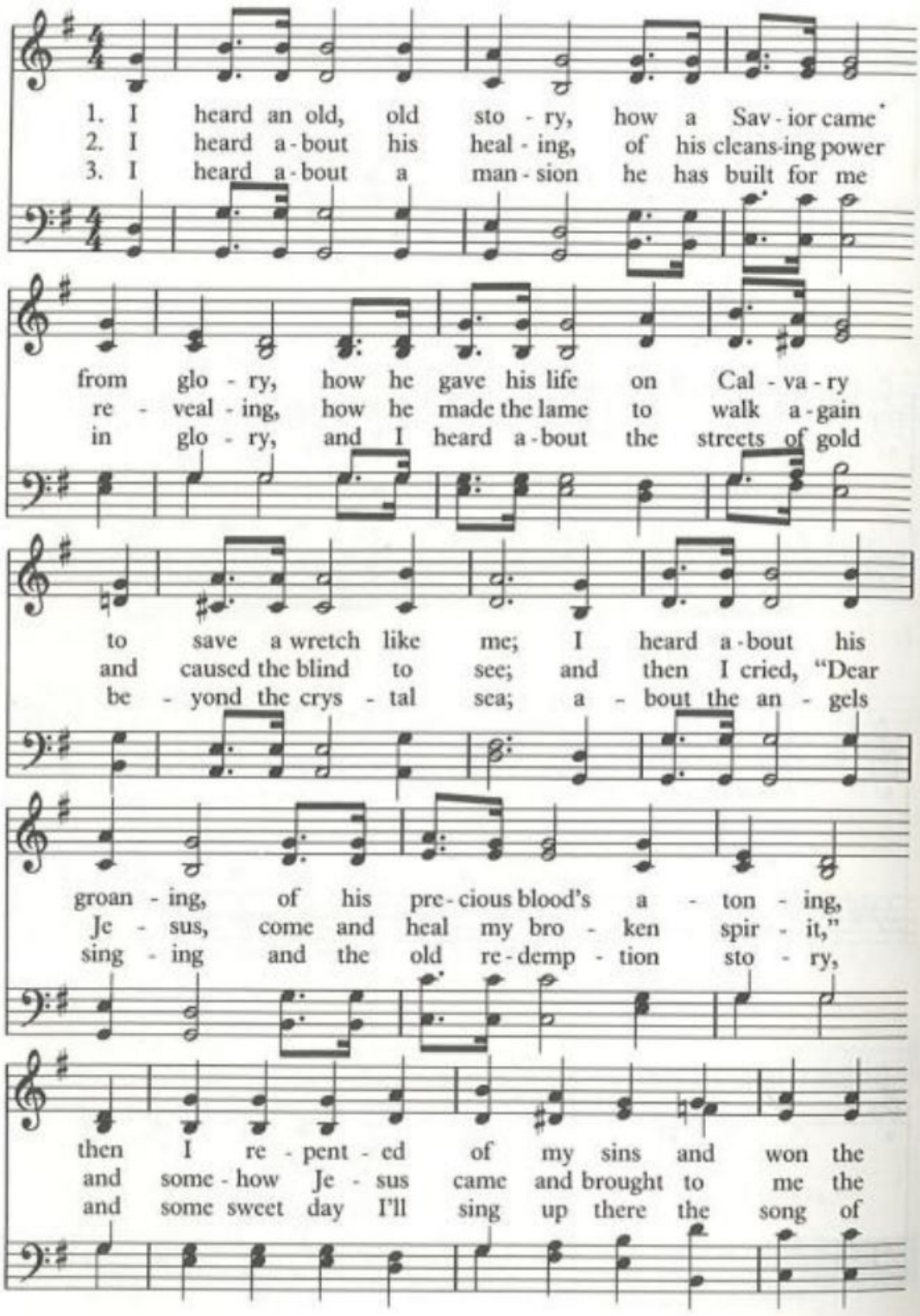


Charlie Book – Lakeside
Ed Bredin
Cheryl DuPrey
Christina Glastetter
Kevin Glastetter
Theresa Rineer
Kay Straley

November Deacons of the Month: Addison, David & Melissa Edwards

In Need of the Prayer Chain? Please contact the church office at 717-687-6030.

370 Victory in Jesus



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Refrain
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vic - to - ry.
vic - to - ry.
O vic - to - ry in Je - sus, my
Sav - ior for - ev - er! He sought me and bought me
with his re - deem - ing blood; he loved me ere I
knew him, and all my love is due him; he
plunged me to vic - to - ry be - neath the cleans - ing flood.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



We are glad to see you here! Check out our website: straspres.org under the "Events" tab for current church events and please be sure to like us on Facebook. Children's Church is available for kids K-5th grades. Children will go to room 11 after the children's sermon.

COFFEE HOUR • Join us each Sunday at 9:30am for coffee and fellowship with old and new friends. Host for this week: Deborah Circle. Join us next week for our Church Birthday Brunch! If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please contact Theresa Rineer at 717-682-9954 or rineertheresa@yahoo.com. There is a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall. Please choose the date(s) that work best for you!





LIBRARY NEWS • There is some house cleaning going on in our church library! Some books are very "old" and some have never been read by church members, so we have decided to remove these OLD books and give them away or donate them. Feel free to take a look on the bottom of the bookshelf in the hallway; these books are for the taking!

CLUBHOUSE HELPERS: Another year of Clubhouse is here and **WE NEED YOU**! Clubhouse is a monthly program for children preschool through 5th grade that meets from 6 – 7:30pm on the first Wednesday of each month, September – May. The children are from our church family, preschool family, and the community. The program is Christian theme incorporating music, crafts, games and Bible stories. Volunteers are involved with these activities and "shepherd" a group of children to these activities as a group leader. You certainly don't need to commit to each month. Please see Beth Feiler or Amanda Allison if you are interested. **The next Clubhouse is this Wednesday, November 4th.**





GREAT BEGINNINGS PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION for the 2026-2027 school year has openings in the 3-year-old classroom. Contact Heather Reynolds, Administrative Director at 717-617-9501 or hreynolds@straspres.org, scan the QR code, or pick up an application at the church office.

Christmas is just around the corner and that means our annual **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT** is too! We want to thank Jozlyn Grodski & Danielle Marsh for stepping in and co-directing this year! **Practice will begin on Sunday, November 22nd during Sunday School time**. If you are interested in helping or being in the pageant please see Beth Feiler.





Let's See Your Beautiful Front Door! Find a few pics of your front door all decked out for Christmas and send them to Mark Feiler for display in The Well later in December. They can be from this year or previous years. Send them to mark.s.feiler@gmail.com.

ASSISTANCE CORNER



CHURCH WORLD SERVICE ~ Each month this year, we have been collecting specific items for CWS that the children will pack into hygiene kits on **November 15th**. We are still in need of items that we have not yet received enough of over the course of the year. Please see the needed items below as well as on the bulletin board outside room #5. If you choose, items can be purchased using the Amazon QR code found below, and delivered directly to the church. If you have questions, please see Beth Feiler.

-10 toothbrushes ***(1 per box – original packaging)***
-66 travel size lotion ***(3.4oz or less, fragrance-free)***
-75 travel size deodorant ***(3.4oz or less, non-aerosol)***
-84 travel size toothpaste ***(3.4oz or less (w/at least 1-year expiration)***
-92 travel size shampoo ***(3.4oz or less)***
-95 wide tooth combs ***(6 in. minimum of teeth, no picks or pocket combs)***



IT'S ALMOST HERE!! Saturday, November 14th is a really BIG day for our Food Pantry. It's the **Annual Boy Scouts Food Drive**, and all donations support our FPC ministry. We are so thankful for our local communities' generosity.

We will need **lots** of help from **9am -12:30pm** to sort, date and stock all the food that is delivered. Please consider helping us. Any amount of time will be greatly appreciated, and we thank you in advance for donating a bit of your valuable time.

WATER STREET MISSION ~ There are opportunities for our congregation to serve meals at Water Street Mission. These events will require around 2.5 hours of your time serving meals to the Mission's residents and there will be someone from our volunteer team serving with you.

*Tuesday, November 17 – Dinner
*Friday, November 27 – Lunch
*Tuesday, December 15 – Dinner
*Friday, December 18 - Lunch

If you are interested in serving or if you would like to learn more about these opportunities reach out to Terry Sweigart at 717-606-6907 or by email at tLsweig@gmail.com. Thanks for your consideration!

FOOD PANTRY ~ It has been a busy time for the Food Pantry and there is a constant need to replenish our shelves.

Current needs: **-Jelly -Canned Chili -Canned pasta -Soups: Tomato and Vegetable**





The **CHURCH NURSERY** and **TODDLER GYM** need you! The nursery is in need of dry snacks such as animal crackers, pretzels, crackers and goldfish, etc. If you're able to donate any of these or similar items, please drop them off in the nursery. The nursery and toddler gym are looking for gently used baby toys. Please drop items off in the nursery and reach out to Alyssa Gregory with any questions at 717-495-3939 or agregory@straspres.org.

Mark Your Calendar for Upcoming Events!



TODDLER GYM is back! Join us weekly on **Fridays from 9 – 10:30am (Sept. – May)** for playtime for ages 1 – 6 with their caregivers. This program is free and open to the public and follows the Lampeter Strasburg School Calendar. For more information, contact Alyssa Gregory at 717-495-3939 or agregory@straspres.org.



CHURCH BIRTHDAY BRUNCH Join us after the 8:30am service on **Sunday, November 8th** to recognize, celebrate and honor the 50+ year members with a special brunch in Fellowship Hall. We will be serving breakfast casserole, fruit and sweets. As in the past, we will need volunteers to bake and bring a breakfast casserole to church on Sunday morning. All ingredients and materials will be provided, including the recipe, making it easy to participate! **Fellowship Hall decorating** will take place on **Saturday, November 7th at 9am**. There will be **no Sunday School or nursery care** during the brunch on Sunday, November 8th. Please contact Theresa Rineer at 717-682-9954 to volunteer or if you have questions. Thank you!



WORSHIP COMMITTEE "JOB TRAINING" The worship committee is looking to offer a training to the congregation on the different "jobs" worship has – ushers, readers, acolytes, and communion servers. Join us on **November 15th at 12:15pm (right after second service).** This is an open invitation for those that already volunteer, as well as one for those that may have an interest but would like to know more. Please contact Maggie Nadu or Tricia Wilson with any questions!



IGNITED STUDENTS' ANNUAL FAMILY FOOTBALL LEAGUE will take place on Sunday, November 15th from 4-6pm at the L-S Practice Field. Adults vs. Students (Grades 6-12) compete for the FFL trophy and bragging rights. Come on out to play or cheer from the sidelines! Bring a lawn chair and dress warm. Please RSVP to Kristin at kristin@straspres.org or 908-581-5050.



On **Wednesday, November 18th, at 12pm**, there will be **training for food pantry, welcome desk volunteers, staff and anyone else that finds themselves regularly in the building**. At the training we will learn how to welcome people in a way that reflects our love for Christ while at the same time insuring that everyone knows the steps to take should a difficulty arise. Please contact Pastor Bob with any questions.



CHURCH DECORATING DAY ~ On **Monday, November 23rd at 6pm**, we will be decking the halls and preparing the church for Advent and Christmas. Come join in the fun, have pizza and help us to decorate!

IGNTED Student Ministry of FPCS will be providing free to-go lunch meals on **Sunday, November 29th**. Register for a free to-go meal which can be picked up from **1-1:30pm on Sunday, November 29, 2026**, by using the following link OR QR Code. IGNITED November 29 Lunch Sign-Up


Cherry Crest
ADVENTURE FARM
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NOVEMBER 7
10am-10pm
JOIN US FOR A CHURCH-WIDE DAY OF FUN
ARRIVE ANYTIME DURING OPERATING HOURS AND SPEND TIME WITH YOUR FIRST PRES. FRIENDS WHILE ENJOYING ALL THE FALL ACTIVITIES AT CHERRY CREST
CONTACT KRISTIN FOR DISCOUNTED TICKETS
NOTE: THE FARM IS CASHLESS
YOU CAN USE CASH TO PURCHASE GIFT CARDS, IF NEEDED

Family Advent Night

Comfort & Joy

DECEMBER | 6 | 4:30-7PM

Who: Families, grandparents, church family and friends.

"Good News of great joy that will be for all people." According to Jesus' birth announcement, joy is the outcome of Jesus' arrival-it's the gift of Christmas for Christmas!

What: Our evening will start in the sanctuary with a short advent program. We will head to fellowship hall for dinner, crafts, a family picture in front of a Bethlehem backdrop, create a Christmas song, decorate your own dessert, and many more surprises!

***Where*:** First Presbyterian Church of Strasburg. Start in the sanctuary and end in fellowship hall.

How to sign up: There is a signup sheet under the TV in the Welcome area.

**Joy is a delightful gift that comes from knowing and trusting Jesus. Please accept joy from Jesus this Christmas season.*



WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, November 1 *All Saints' Day

8:30am **Worship** (Classic)
9:30am **Coffee Hour**
10am **Sunday School Classes** for all ages
*Children's Sunday School Grades K – 5: Rm 12
*Youth Sunday School
-Grades 6 – 7: Room 5
-Grades 8 – 12: Youth Room
*Young Adults – Choir Room
*Wired Word – Library
*Young at Heart – Room 4
11am **Worship** (Modern)
12:15pm Confirmation Class – Library

***IGNITED ♦ Youth Group: 6 – 8pm – Fellowship Hall**

Tuesday, November 3 * Election Day

2pm Food Pantry
6pm CE Meeting – Room 5
7pm Women's Bible Study – Room 4
7pm Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room & Sanctuary

Wednesday, November 4

1pm Knifty Knitters – Library
3pm Stitchin' Sisters – Room 4
6pm Kids Clubhouse
6pm Praise Team – Sanctuary
7pm Deacons Meeting – Room 4

Thursday, November 5

6:30am Men's Fellowship & Devotions – Library

Friday, November 6

2pm Food Pantry
6pm Our Table

Saturday, November 7

9am Church Birthday Brunch Decorating – Fellowship Hall
10am-10pm Cherry Crest Day of Fun & IGNITED Incognito Night

NEXT WEEK ~ NOVEMBER 8, 2026

1st Scripture: Isaiah 58:6-12
2nd Scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:3

SERMON SERIES: A JOURNEY THROUGH ECCLESIASTES 3
"Repairers of the Breach"
Rev. Robert K. Bronkema, Preaching