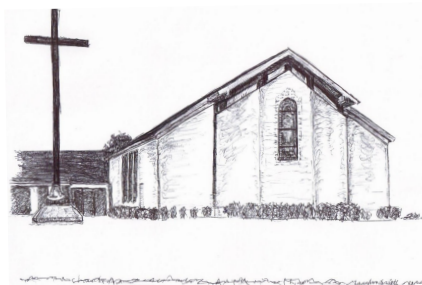


# Presby News

NOVEMBER 2025



## FROM THE PASTOR . . .

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His steadfast love endures forever." — Psalm 107:1

As the air grows crisp and we see a little bit of fall weather, we are reminded that November is a month of reflection and gratitude. The fields are starting to be harvested, the days shorten, and we begin to prepare our hearts for Thanksgiving. We have a time not only to count our blessings, but also to recognize how God continues to work among us in quiet and faithful ways.

The last few Sundays have been a season of blessings for our church family. Each Sunday, we've filled the pews with renewed energy and joy. The sight of a congregation gathering faithfully with excitement and warm smiles is truly something for thanks. Our worship services have been full of life and our fellowship has deepened. It feels as though God is breathing fresh wind into our community, and we can only say, "Thank You, Lord."

We are also thankful to see so many of our members recovering from illnesses and health situations. The power of prayer and the love of a caring church family have encouraged healing to many hearts and homes. When one suffers, we all feel it. But when one rejoices in renewed strength, we all share in that joy. In every testimony, every answered prayer, and every restored life, we see the goodness of God shining through.

As we move deeper into the fall season, let us continue to nurture that spirit of gratitude. Thanksgiving is not simply a date on the calendar. It is a posture of the heart. Gratitude opens our eyes to see God's provision in the ordinary and the extraordinary alike. It reminds us that even in times of uncertainty, we are never without reason to praise.

Let us also take time to thank those who serve so faithfully in our ministries to make our church a place of welcome and grace. Their quiet faithfulness is one of the surest signs of God's presence among us. I am so very thankful for each one of you, for your faithfulness, and for your willingness to let God use you. I am very thankful for our musicians and our choir. We are richly blessed each week by all of our music ministry.

As we gather around our tables this Thanksgiving, may we not only give thanks for food and fellowship, but also for the deep bonds of faith that hold us together. May this be a season when we notice God's blessings more clearly, love one another more deeply, and serve our community more joyfully.

We wish you and your family a blessed Thanksgiving. May your hearts be warmed by gratitude, your homes filled with peace, and your days brightened by the enduring love of God.

Grace and Peace!  
Greg

## Happy Thanksgiving

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### SPECIAL DATES

- November 1** All Saints' Day
- November 2** Brookdale Worship  
Worship/Communion  
Daylight Savings Time Ends
- November 11** Veterans' Day (Office Closed)
- November 23** Christ the King/Reign of Christ
- November 27** Thanksgiving Day (Office Closed)
- November 30** First Sunday of Advent  
Session Meeting

This is the *Day*  
that the Lord has made,  
let us *Rejoice*  
and be glad it in it.

Psalm 118:24





On Thursday, October 9, the First Presbyterian Church hosted the Red River Chorale Concert.

It was a beautiful fall evening of wonderful music for the Alexandria community. We had a great crowd!

Aaron and Maudiel Rogers did an outstanding job of hosting the choir. Thank you both for your hard work!



## *November Responders Schedule*

|                    | Usher<br>Narthex                     | Monitor      | Communion Servers                                           |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>November 2</b>  | Robert Kennedy                       | Bill Higgins | <b>Communion Team:</b><br>Elizabette Kennedy & Bill Higgins |
| <b>November 9</b>  | Robert Kennedy                       | Bill Higgins |                                                             |
| <b>November 16</b> | Robert Kennedy<br>Elizabette Kennedy | Bill Higgins |                                                             |
| <b>November 23</b> | Robert Kennedy                       | Bill Higgins |                                                             |
| <b>November 30</b> | Robert Kennedy                       | Bill Higgins |                                                             |

**NOVEMBER**



**Rebecca LaPrairie**

**11/25**

**We give thanks to You,  
Lord God Almighty,  
the One Who is  
and Who was...**

- Revelation 11:7 -

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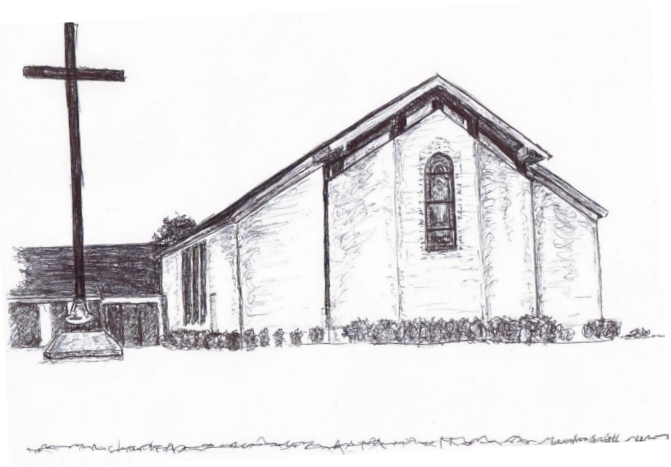
Greg Carroll, *Interim Pastor*

Aaron Rogers, *Music Director*

Jennifer Ciobanu, *Pianist*

Carolyn Sterne, *Administrative Assistant*

Charles Bell, *Sexton*



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**Come experience God's love at First Presbyterian Church**

Sunday School—9:45 a.m., Worship—11:00 a.m.