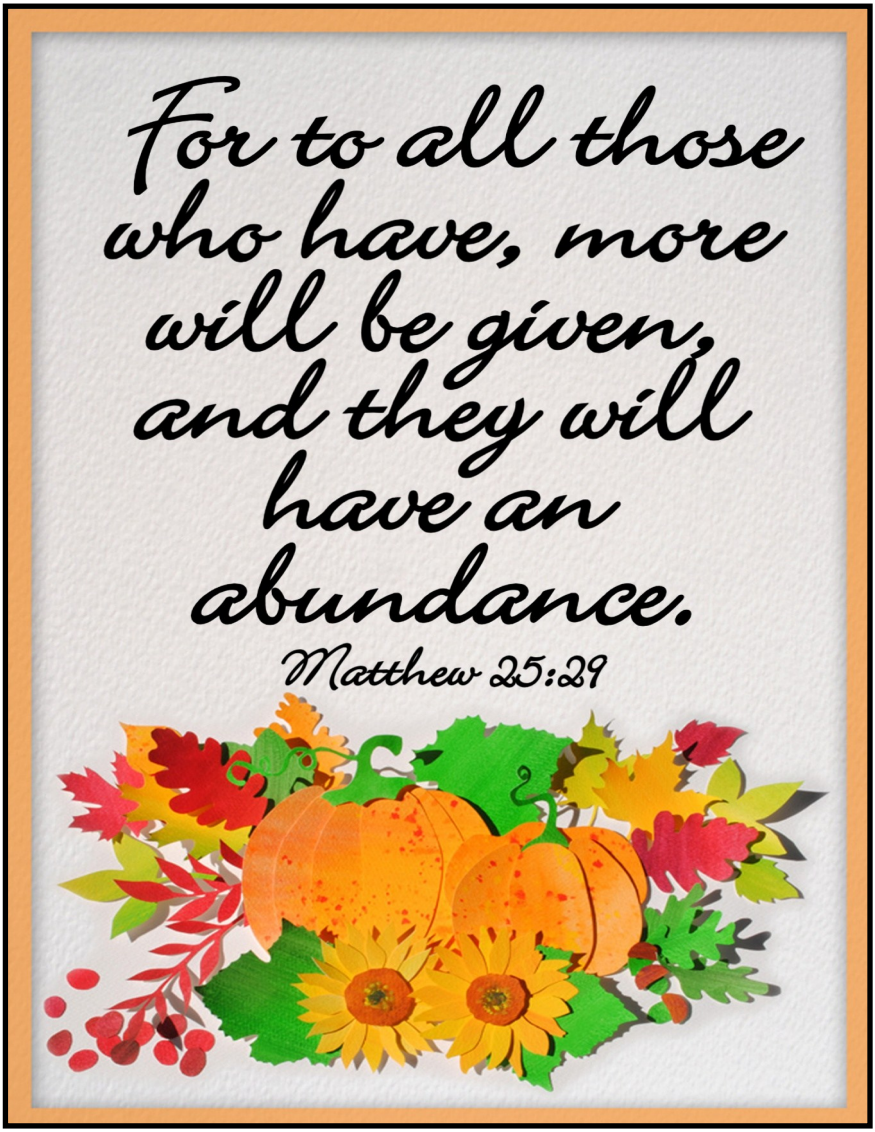

November 15, 2026
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

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Welcome

to First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Thank you for worshiping with us!

We invite you to write your name and contact information on the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew for others to sign.

If you would like a children's folder, large print bulletin, or back pillow, the ushers will be happy to assist you.

If you are visiting with us, and don't have a Bible you can read and understand, please take one from your pew as our gift to you! Please also stop by the Welcome Center desk to receive a welcome bag.

Please join us for coffee or tea in Boll Hall after the service.

We Believe

We believe relationships are key to understanding God and enjoying life together.

We seek to create a community that mirrors God's unconditional acceptance and love.

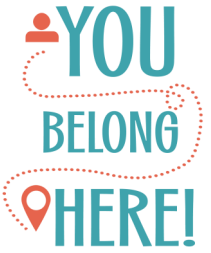
We value and are centered in scripture.

We honor and worship a God who is constantly at work for the good of every person in every place.

We welcome all regardless of politics, gender, race, sexual orientation, or any other distinction.

We are called to love as God loves.

We're glad you're here!



Order of Worship

~ The prelude is to be a time of reflection and preparation for worship ~

Welcome

Prelude *Aubade* Louis Vierne

His Eye is on the Sparrow C. Gabriel
You Are My All in All D. Jerrigan
Redeemed

Announcements

Moment for Stewardship Mike Vetter

Introit *The Little Brown Church* Anna Laura Page
Te Deum Handbell Choir

***Call to Worship** (read responsively)

One: Let us praise the God of Truth.

All: Hallelujah! We seek God's truth.

One: Let us praise the God of Peace.

All: Hallelujah! We seek God's peace.

One: Let us praise the God of Love.

All: Hallelujah! In Christ, we know God's love, and so we offer our praise!

***Opening Prayer**

***Hymn** *Now Thank We All Our God* **#643**

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

T**rusting God, you placed your mission in our hands and gave us gifts to accomplish amazing things in Jesus' name. We confess sometimes we've taken credit for what your love has done. Sometimes we've called our own desires your will. Sometimes we've stepped back and let others carry responsibilities. Forgive us when we've failed to honor your trust in us.**

(Silent Confession)

***** Please rise in body or spirit.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Children's Message Stephen Flavin

Music *Count Your Blessings* Oatman/Excell
Redeemed

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

First Scripture Reading— Psalm 123:1-4

1 To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!
2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us.
3 Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us,
for we have had more than enough of contempt.
4 Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease, of the contempt of the proud.

Second Scripture Reading—Matthew 25:14-30

14 "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; 15 to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. 16 The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. 17 In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. 18 But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. 19 After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. 20 Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' 21 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 22 And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' 23 His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' 24 Then the one who

had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; [25]so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' [26]But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? [27]Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. [28]So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. [29]For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. [30]As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

One: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Jacqueline Spycher

Reception of New Members

Patrick & Tara Mondro

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call for the Offering

Offertory *The Gift of Grace* Arnold Sherman
Te Deum Handbell Choir

***Doxology** **#607**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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.

***Sending Hymn** *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* **#716**

***Benediction**

***Sung Response** *While We Are Waiting Come* **#92**
(verse 1 & refrain)

While we are waiting, come;
while we are waiting, come.

Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel,
while we are waiting, come.

Postlude *Allegro Maestoso in D Major* Cesar Franck

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To The Glory of God…

The flowers in the chancel are in given by Deborah & Jeff Fidge in thanks to all who work daily to make and keep our church an example of love.



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Congregation: Marilyn Atkinson; the family of Barb Bakewell; Judy & Ron Blackburn; Phil & Ginny Cavaretta; Jim Clarkson; Rev. Kent Clise; Rev. Jamie Faile; Sarah French & family; Carol Geake and the family of Bob Geake; the family of Shirley Henry; Ron & Lois Housman; Barb Johnson; Esther Keegan; Donna Kennedy; Mary Kirn; the family of Maxine Lapham; Laura Mitchell; Dale Robison; Karen Seaman; Sandi Smith; The Strom and Gessert Families; Darleen Sweeney; June Tervo; Linda Todd; Dick Werther; Debbie Wood.

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All Caregivers

All Military Personnel currently serving here and abroad.*To add a name to this list, please call your deacon, or the church office at 248-349-0911. Please note that names are added to the Prayer Ministry list only with the individual's permission. This list will be purged and reprinted periodically.* ***Kindly let us know when to remove a name. Thank you.***

Soup Swap & Game Night





Sunday November 15th

2:00 - 6:00 PM

First Presbyterian Church of Northville -
Please use Welcome Center Enterance on Hutton St.

BYO soup to swap and share!

This is event is hosted by your local finch compassion captain!

Never heard of Finch? Check it out in the app store!

RSVP Here:

For those who are able, please consider bringing a non-perishable food item to donate to our local food pantry

The Bulletin Board



Popcorn Theology —Join us on Thursday, November 19, at 1 p.m. in the Gathering Room for *Eye in the Sky* (2015, thriller, rated R, 1 hr. 42 min.). A secret drone mission in Kenya turns into an agonizing decision when a young girl wanders into the strike zone, sparking a crisis of conscience and a international dispute. Stay afterward for a conversation about the film and the moral questions it raises. Popcorn provided!

Red Cross Blood Drive—Color your fall with kindness. Give blood November 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To schedule an appointment go to RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code: fpcnorthville). Or use the QR code.

Greens for the Pots — As we prepare for the holiday season, we decorate the church inside and out. If you'd like to help fill the outdoor pots around the porch and Welcome Center doors, please contact Marilyn Thibodeau. We need willing hands, and we also need greens. If you have evergreens to share, contact Marilyn or the church office.

Caroling on the Porch — Join us for this annual tradition on Friday, November 20, at 6 p.m. Carolers of every age will gather on the porch before the Lighted Parade to sing traditional Christmas carols. Friends and newcomers are welcome!





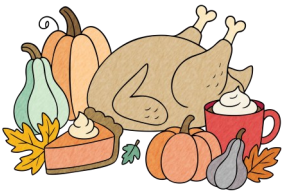
Lighted Parade — We're looking for a few good marchers! On Friday, November 20, we'll once again march in the Lighted Parade. Come wave to the crowd or help carry the church banner. The parade begins at 6:30 p.m., and we'll line up beforehand. Contact Pastor Jackie for details.

Consecration Sunday — Stewardship isn't just a season. It's how we care for and support our church all year long. Throughout November, we'll share this year's stewardship campaign. Watch your mail for a letter and pledge card. We'll receive pledge cards in worship on Consecration Sunday, November 22. To learn more about the campaign or other ways to support the church, reach out to Pastor Jackie or any member of the Stewardship Committee.



Community Thanksgiving Worship — Last year we revived a cherished tradition by co-hosting a community Thanksgiving worship service. This year the Methodists are hosting. Join us as we head down Eight Mile Road to First United Methodist Church of Northville on Sunday, November 22, at 7 p.m. Pie will follow!

Community Thanksgiving Dinner — Looking for a warm welcome this Thanksgiving? Join neighbors from around Northville for a community dinner at First United Methodist Church of Northville on Thursday, November 26, from noon to 2 p.m. Come with friends or make new ones. RSVP at https://www.fumcnorthville.org/community-thanksgiving-dinner/





Hanging of the Greens—All ages are invited to join us at 4:00 pm on Tuesday, November 24. We will decorate the church, then have pizza. Please come and lend a hand to help prepare our church for Advent and Christmas.

Thanksgiving volunteers needed — For the 44th Annual Westminster Thanksgiving Dinner starting the week before Thanksgiving. To volunteer or for more information call 313-341-2697 or email at Thanksgiving@wcodetroit.org.

Progressive Dinner — Join us as we all gather for appetizers. Then smaller groups will travel to a home for dinner and dessert. All are welcome on December 6, at 5:00 pm!

Sign Up Here

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15, 2026 — NOVEMBER 22, 2026

Sun. 11/15		**Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary and Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
	2:00 pm	APEX Youth Group, Youth Room
	2:00 pm	Soup Swap & Game Night, Boll Hall
Mon. 11/16	6:00 pm	Adventure Crew Troop 755, CLC
	7:00 pm	Scout Troop 755, CLC
Tue. 11/17	4:00 pm	Pickleball, CLC
	6:00 pm	Fellowship Activities Meeting, Library
	7:30 pm	Session, Library & via Zoom
	8:00 pm	AA Meeting, CLC
	8:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting, Boll Hall
Wed. 11/18	8:00 am	Men's Morning Small Group, via Zoom
	10:00 am	Walking Group, Ford Field (Northville)
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thurs. 11/19	11:00 am	Prayer Group, Study
	1:00 pm	Popcorn Theology, Gathering Room
	7:00 pm	Handbells Rehearsal, Music Center
	7:00 pm	Men's Discussion Group, Gathering Room
	7:00 pm	Yoga, CLC
Fri. 11/20	9:30 am	Agape, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Red Cross Blood Drive, CLC
	10:00 am	Connections, Music Center
	6:00 pm	Caroling on the Porch, Front Porch
	6:30 pm	Lighted Parade, Downtown Northville
Sat. 11/21		
Sun. 11/22		**Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost & Consecration Sunday**
	8:45 am	Kerygma, Gathering Room
	10:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary and Facebook Live
	10:15 am	Children's Sunday School, Children's Wing
	11:00 am	Coffee Hour, Boll Hall
	2:00 pm	APEX Youth Group, Youth Room