

THREADS...

From the First Presbyterian Church of Canby
November 2021 Newsletter



• *Count Your Blessings* •

Count your blessings instead of your crosses

Count your gains instead of your losses

Count your joys instead of your woes

Count your friends instead of your foes

Count your smiles instead of your tears

Count your courage instead of your fears

Count your full years instead of your lean

Count your kind deeds instead of your mean

Count your health instead of your wealth

Count on God instead of yourself



A Warm Welcome

If you would like to request prayers and to activate the **Prayer Tree**, please reach out to Kathy Merrill by phone or email. Thank You.

Email: krmerrill49@yahoo.com Phone: (507) 829-7709



Stay Connected:

Church Website: www.fpccanby.org — Church Email: fpccanby@gmail.com

Follow us on Facebook!  First Presbyterian Church of Canby, MN

- Our Sunday Morning Service is 9:30am
- Facebook Premier Video upload available for at-home viewing Sunday at 1pm.

MEMORIAL GIFT SUGGESTIONS

IF YOU ARE CONSIDERING A MEMORIAL GIFT TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES ARE SUGGESTED:

- BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS • ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT
- LANDSCAPING • MISSION PROJECTS • LIBRARY
- UNDESIGNATED • MUSIC



In-person and Facebook Worship

We have resumed in-person worship services on Sunday Mornings at 9:30am.
Sunday School (following fellowship) at 10:45am.

We will continue to upload services via Facebook Premier Video for at home viewers.
This is scheduled to upload Sunday at 1pm.



Tithes and Offerings

If you are not joining us in person we kindly ask that you mail in your tithes and offerings to the church. (311 Saint Olaf Avenue N, Canby, Minnesota 56220)



First Presbyterian Church

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Lectors

Nov 7- Gerry Gingles
Nov 14- Marge Frazeur
Nov 21- Kathy Merrill
Nov 28- Tom McCammon

Pulpit Supply

Nov 7- Stan Menning
Nov 14- Karen Houtman
Nov 21- Stan Menning
Nov 28- Karen Houtman

Bulletin Delivery

Nov 7- Jody Olson
Nov 14- Patty Gubrud
Nov 21- Katie Groenhoff
Nov 28- Chuck Houtman

Flower Care

Betty Rehn

Church Events This Month

Mon. Nov. 1, 1pm Ditch Clean-Up
Wed. Nov. 3, 1pm Worship/Hospitality
Wed. Nov. 10, 1pm Christian Ed/Outreach
Wed. Nov. 21, 10am Session

Thurs. November 25th
Community Thanksgiving Meal
11am-2pm

November 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				



November 2- Jerrilee Rhea

November 16- Kathy Merrill

November 20- Charleen Wallert

November 21- Barb Floto

November 29- Luci Olson

Happy Anniversary

November 11- Stuart & Jerrilee Rhea

November 23- Randy & Donna Lopau



Growing Through Gratitude

Thankfulness, studies show, has multiple physical, mental and emotional benefits. Psychologist Robert Emmons calls gratitude “fertilizer for the mind” because of its powerful effects.

He admits gratitude isn’t always easy — especially when life throws us curveballs — but says it can be most helpful during and after difficulties. Emmons suggests reframing challenges using thankfulness-based language.

Ask, for example:

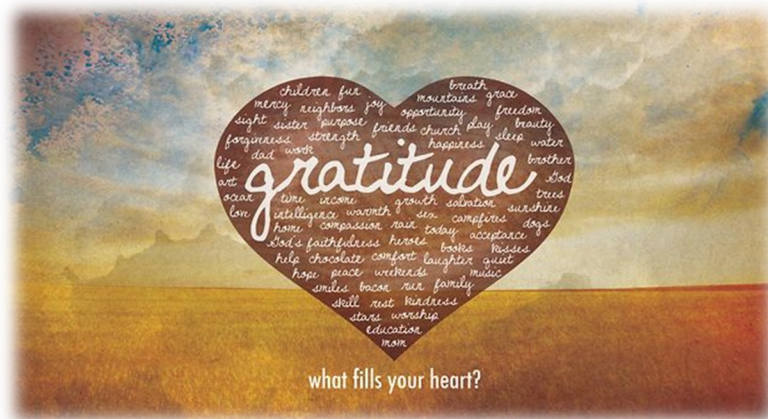
Though I wasn’t grateful for the experience at the time, how can I be now?

What lessons did I learn, and how did I grow as a person?

Throughout his letters, the apostle Paul reframes his extensive sufferings and urges us to do the same.

“Give thanks in all circumstances,” he writes,

“for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus” (1 Thessalonians 5:18, NIV).



Ralph Waldo Emerson said:

“Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year. They are rich who own the day, and no one owns the day who allows it to be invaded with fret and anxiety. Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities, no doubt crept in. Forget them as soon as you can, tomorrow is a new day; begin it well and serenely, with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old nonsense. This new day is too dear, with its hopes and invitations, to waste a moment on the yesterday.”

A mother mouse and her little ones were suddenly confronted by a cat. The mother mouse braced herself and said, “Bow Wow!” The cat turned tail and fled. Then the mother mouse turned to her children and said, “Now, you see how important it is to know a second language.”

Session Synopsis– October 21, 2021

Income less than expenses for September 2021 was a minus \$8,820.53. Year to date income was less than expenses by a minus \$2,256.67. \$80 was paid for mowing at church and \$75 was paid for mowing at the manse. \$4,053.75 was paid for property insurance. \$4,391.68 was paid for a camera and computer. \$72 was paid for tech support. The mission commitment of \$500 a quarter for general mission and \$250 a quarter to The Connection was paid. Pulpit supply went up from \$100 a Sunday to \$150 a Sunday. There were no other unusual expenses.

***Christian Ed/Outreach-**

Plans are being made for Thanksgiving Day meals to be available to the community by Take-Out only. Full Thanksgiving meals can be reserved to be picked up or delivery will also be available. Reservations are a must. A variety of possibilities for Summer Camp fundraisers are planned. Fall ditch cleaning is scheduled for November 1st at 1pm.

***Finance/Property-**

Approval was given to have the carpets cleaned. Approval also given to purchase a new stove for the church kitchen.



Thank-you from MnDOT

On behalf of all of us at MnDOT, I want to thank you for being an Adopt a Highway volunteer!

This year Adopt a Highway celebrates 30 years, and the program has been so successful because of people like you. We are grateful for your dedication to help keep Minnesota highways clean, beautiful and safe.

Currently, there are more than 3,800 active Adopt a Highway volunteer groups across the state and more than 470 of those groups have partnered with us for all 30 years. That is amazing!

We look forward to working with you for many more years to come.

Thank you. Your participation means so much to MnDOT and Minnesota.

— Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Commissioner, MN DOT

First Presbyterian Church of Canby MN

Income/Expenses

September 2021

September					Year to Date		2021 Budget		% of Budget		September		Year to Date										
Expenses										Income													
Salaries										Camp					20.00	40.00							
*Pastor										Local Mission					2,095.00	36,046.69							
*Pastor's Tax Allowance										Per Capita						2,218.00							
										General Mission													
Pulpit Supply										900.00	7500.00	10400	72.1%	PCUSA Special Offerings						464.00			
Other Salaries														Special Mission Offerings									
Custodian										96.00	634.00	4000	15.9%	Heifer Project									
Employer taxes											67.75	300	22.6%	Memorials					75.00	675.00			
Workman's Comp											395.00	500	79.0%	Thanksgiving Meal									
Allowances (Pastor)														Upper Room/Worship									
*Manse Utilities										106.32	1769.71	3000	59.0%	Fellowship/Hospitality									
*Continuing Education														Flowers						9.00			
*Pension,Health, Disability														Fuel						100.00			
*Family Dental														Other									
														Lenten/Advent Meal									
Mission														Thanksgiving Offering									
Per Capita											3053.00	3053	100.0%	Building Improvement					20.00	1600.00			
General Mission										500.00	1500.00	2000	75.0%	Grants/Refunds						1488.37			
PCUSA Special Offerings											701.50			Mission Committee					19.91	786.11			
The Connection										250.00	750.00	1100	68.2%	Use Of Church					200.00	200.00			
Special Mission Projects																							
Heifer Project														Total Income					2,429.91	43,627.17			
Thanksgiving Meal																							
Pastor's Benevolence Fund																							
Committees										Assets: September 2021													
										Checkbook Balance					37,250.21								
Christian Ed/Outreach											203.11	1500	13.5%	Co-op Accounts					5,255.25				
Camp														Endowment PCUSA					41,373.34				
Worship/Hospitality											511.23	1000	51.1%	Endowment First Security					16,021.72				
Mission Committee										75.73	625.73			Raymond James Fund					13,372.51				
Building & Maintenance										US Bank Debit Card													
Church Utilities										279.21	4004.65	10000	40.0%	Total Assests					113,273.03				
Church Repairs/Maintenance										80.00	2412.45	4000	60.3%	Current Liabilities									
Manse Repairs										75.00	1325.74	2500	53.0%	Withholding Taxes					28.45				
Custodial Supplies											18.94	300	6.3%	Total Liabilities					28.45				
Property Insurance										4053.75	12161.25	14000	86.9%										
Equipment										4391.68	4391.68	1500	292.8%										
Property Tax/Fees											30.00	20	150.0%										
Office										Funds Carried Over to 2020													
Telephone/Internet										190.95	1718.17	2300	74.7%										
Postage												50	0.0%										
Supplies												600	0.0%	Mission Committee					0				
Copier										88.80	799.20	1200	66.6%										
Web Page												50	0.0%										
Professional Fees												150	0.0%										
Mileage										56.00	583.52												
Office Other										72.00	262.21	200	131.1%										
Session Expense										35.00	465.00	500	93.0%										

WE INVITE YOU TO A **Community Thanksgiving Meal**

November 25th from 11am-2pm

Hosted by:
The First Presbyterian Church of Canby

ENJOY:

HAM Coleslaw **cranberries**
POTATOES scalloped corn
stuffing **PIE!** **turkey**
green bean casserole

**Take-Out
ONLY**
DELIVERY AVAILABLE!

**FREE WILL
DONATION**

In everything give
THANKS
1 THESSALONIANS 5:18



DEADLINE TO ORDER: November 15, 2021

TO ORDER: call Sherry (507) 530-7467 or Patty (507) 530-4250

Name, Address, Phone Number, Number of Meals, Delivery or Pick-Up, Ham or Turkey.

We are still looking for donations and volunteers to assist with this event. There are sign-up sheets on the back table in the sanctuary. You may also email Kathryn Groenhoff at kathryngroenhoff@gmail.com or call 507-530-7139 if you would like to help out in any way.

— Thank You!

FUN FACT:



CORNUCOPIA—Cornucopia, a Greek word meaning “horn of plenty,” has origins in Greek mythology. But the cornucopia became a religious symbol and was even stamped on Jewish coins. Overflowing horns, now common as Thanksgiving centerpieces, came to symbolize abundance and blessings.

Kids Korner



**JOIN US FOR
SUNDAY SCHOOL**

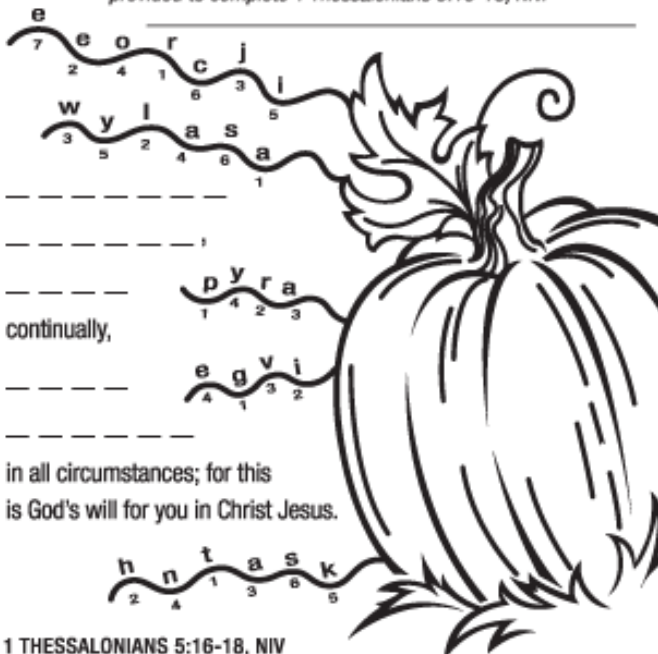
Sundays following
worship at 10:45am



GOD'S WILL

God wants us to follow his will, but how can we know what that is?

Directions: Write the letters on each vine in the correct order on the lines provided to complete 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, NIV.



Knock knock. Who's there? Arthur.

Arthur who? Arthur any leftovers?

Why was the Thanksgiving soup so expensive?

It had 24 carrots.

If you use boxed mashed potatoes ...

Great-Grandma will turn over in her gravy.

My family said, "No more Thanksgiving jokes." ...

... but I said I couldn't just quit cold turkey.