This Week's Schedule			
Sun, 11/23 Christ the King Sunday	Contemporary Worship (FLC) Sunday School Traditional Worship (Nave) Events Team meeting Christmas play practice	8 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 4 pm 5:30 pm	
Wed, 11/26	Choir 1833 Band Thanksgiving Eve Worship @ St. Johns	6 pm 7 pm 7 pm	
Thurs, 11/27 Thanksgiving Day	Church office - Closed Thanksgiving meals for community		
Sun, 11/30 1st Sunday of Advent	Sunday School Combined Worship (FLC) Christmas play practice	9 am 10 am 5:30 pm	

216 friends worshipped with us last week

Invite your friends to come next Sunday!

Friendship Preschool - call church office for information

Hours: Monday - Friday 8am - 12noon

Phone #: (828) 632-4482 Email: friendshipsecretary4@gmail.com

THANK YOU for continuing to share generously! You may also put offerings in the lock box beside the Parish House door, mail them in or give online. Call if you need help with this.

	Current Offerings	Current Expenses	Benevolence Offerings
Last Week	\$7,448.00	\$1,135.38	\$290.00
YTD	\$367,977.44	\$381,320.27	\$15,669.42
2025 Budget		\$450,143.00	\$22,000.00
Weekly Budget		\$8,657.00	\$423.00

This Week At Friendship November 23, 2025

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<u>Congratulations</u> to those elected to serve on our Congregational Council for a two year term starting in December: Jenna Buff, Brian Chapman, Tyler Hall, Mary Ann Icenhour, Kasi Sigmon, Todd Smith. 2026 Council members will be installed **November 30th.** Please note that this is the 5th Sunday worship and we will only have <u>one worship that day at 10am.</u>

<u>Thanks</u> to Doug Ramsey, Chris Bowman, Chris Jolly, Wade Cline, Nikki Icard & Angie Mooney for serving on council the past 2 years.

<u>Children's Christmas Program</u> - The program will be **Sunday, December 21 @ 3pm.** Practices are **each Sunday from 5:30-6:30pm.**

<u>Poinsettias</u> - if you want to donate a poinsettia to decorate for Christmas, forms are available. They are available at both services. Forms can be placed in the offering plate. The cost is \$8.50 & checks should be made out to Country Road Greenhouse. Contact Dana Frye for details. **Deadline is Dec. 7th.**

The Care Team will deliver meals to those in need on Thanksgiving day again this year. If you know of someone who needs a meal, please contact Mary Icenhour. Volunteers are needed to help prep, pack and deliver the meals as well as individually wrapped desserts. Volunteers and desserts should plan to be at the church by 7:45am on November 27th. We prepare many plates and deliver to many locations on this day, so we welcome many volunteers for this!

<u>Thanksgiving Eve Service</u> - We are having a joint service with St. Luke, Reformation, & St. Johns on **Wed, Nov. 26th** @ 7 pm at St. Johns. Please make plans to attend.

<u>Church office</u> will be <u>closed</u> on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>Nov. 27th & Friday</u>, <u>Nov. 28th</u> for <u>Thanksgiving holiday!</u>

November 30th is a 5th Sunday and the beginning of the season of Advent! On November 30th, we will gather in 5th Sunday worship and fellowship with 9am Sunday School and 10am Blended Advent worship with a focus on how we are called to prepare for the coming of Christ this season.

<u>The Angel Tree</u> - has **51** foster children in Alexander County this year. The tags will have the child's clothes size and special items they have asked for. You do not have to buy all of the items. **The tree will be up by November 30th.** The gifts must be back to the church by **Dec. 14th.** Contact Lisa James at 828-244-0219 with any questions.

<u>Sunday December 7th</u> - Christians from the Holy Land will be our guests at both worship services. During worship we will hear their stories and how they are navigating life during this tumultuous time in their land. After worship they will have handmade olive wood items for sale as a way to support them and their ministry.

<u>Stewards for This Week</u> <u>Stewards for Next Week</u>

<u>Lectors:</u> 8am - Chris Jolly <u>Lectors:</u> 10am - Starr Lynn Smith

10:30 - Lynn Jolly

<u>Ushers:</u> 8am - Terry Mitchell <u>Ushers:</u> 10am - Jeff Miller

10:30 - Teddy Sweet

Acolytes: 8am - Gracyn Tucker Acolytes: 10am - Ethan Bebber

10:30 - Sam Bedzinski

<u>Video</u>: **8am** - Dennis Rhyne <u>Video</u>: **10am** - Terry Hefner

10:30 - Kimberlyn Swift

Offering Counters

November: 8am: Starr Lynn Smith & Angie Mooney 10:30: Diane Hollar & Mary Ann Icenhour



Memorials & Gifts given to The Glory of God Current

<u>In memory of:</u> Dottie Hammer by Nina Windsor. Martha Johnson by Jacky & Kathy Wike.

<u>In honor of:</u> Tracy & Wendy Bumgarner's Anniversary, love, Mom & Dad. Our granddaughters, Olivia, Kennedy & Katherine by David & Wendelynne.

Columbarium

<u>In memory of:</u> Martha Johnson by Joe & Jewell Elder.

In honor of: Dana Frye's birthday by Shawn & Starr Lynn Smith.

Special Offerings:

Noisy Offering \$595.50; Christian Crisis Center of Alex. Cty, \$125; Preschool \$50; Men in Mission \$50; Lutheran Disaster Response \$25; Columbarium \$170; Austin Scholarship \$50; Benevolence \$290; Building & Improvement \$585.

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Prayers of the Church

The names in **bold** were added this week. Please let us know if someone should be added or removed. Names are removed after one month unless the office is notified of an ongoing need.

As God's people we commit to pray for one another, and for all in need.

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God."

~ Philippians 4:6-7

Let us pray daily for...

Gayla Hughes (D. Ramsey-10/29)	Angela Pisel (A. Palmer-11/5)
Kent Money (D. Ramsey-10/29)	Chris Grindstaff (J. Buff-11/10)
Sharon Goble (P. Josh-10/29)	Ricky Rector (P. Josh-11/10)
Jeri Haynes (P. Josh-10/29)	Noah Davis (S. Bowers-11/10)
Darryl Adkins (C. Gant-10/29)	Sonda Bentley (W. Bentley-11/10)
Nicole Davis McNamara (J. Gant-10/29)	Larry Price (C. Bowman-11/10)
Geleda Murdock (L. Hefner-10/29)	Linda Seagle (W. Cline-11/12)
Wil Myers & family (S. Icenhour-10/29)	Jackie Minton (S. Rogers-11/17)
Bill & Jan Barriger (J. Feimster-10/29)	Jimmy Hayes (M. Stafford-11/17)
Judy Tabor (L. Cothren-10/29)	Cathy Fox (M. Sweat-11/17)
Brenda Hartness (D. Payne-10/30)	Jay Dean Mitchell (K. Ramsey-11/17
Brent Warren (D. Payne-10/30)	Linda Howard (B.Swift-11/18)
Scott & Lori Seagle (P. Setzer-11/3)	Joe Simmons (W. Cline-11/21)
Bobby & Sheng Brown (P. Setzer-11/3)	Gavin Killian (W. Cline-11/21)

Family & friends of:

Betty Silvers	(D. Ramsey-10/29)
Suma Hicks	(D. Payne-10/30)
Pastor William Hollar	(P. Josh-11/3)
Sam Jenkins	(C. Bowman-11/3)
Linda Myers	(S. Icenhour-11/10)
Martha Johnson	(G. Kerley-11/17)
Dottie Hammer	(N. Windsor-11/18)
Angie Brown	(J. Buff-11/21)

Please be in daily prayer for our Home Bound/Extended Care members:

Fate Hefner, Steve Icenhour, Joyce Deal, Roy & Reba Bolick, Dallard Lail, Bob Russell, Phil & Ruth Lackey.