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Letting God's currents carry us through Life

The Mission of the bridge Presbyterian Church is to help active adults connect with God's people, discover God's presence, learn God's promises, and embrace their unique God-given purpose for their lives.

Worship Together Weekly



Sunday, Nov 8, 2026

Your Treasure and Your Heart

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21
James 4: 7 – 10

9:00 am - Early Worship Service

10:30 am - Second Service

Second services in person and livestreamed on Facebook and YouTube

Links to all videos posted by the bridge on YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/@thebridgepresbyterianchurc4433/streams

Please Participate in Our Stewardship Wall Art!

This year our stewardship theme is: **There Our Heart Will Be**. This year we want everyone in the church to participate in exploring the relationship between our heart and our giving. One way the stewardship team invites your participation is by answering a simple question: Why I ❤️ the Bridge? More specifically, you are invited to answer that question by writing your response on the wall within our worship center.

For the next few weeks, you will see a banner hanging on the north wall of our worship center with the above question. The stewardship team is encouraging you to take one of the sharpies and write your one sentence answer on the banner. Let's have everyone sign the banner and then learn why we love the Bridge so much!

As you consider your giving to the bridge, remember that "where your treasure is, your heart will also be." Matthew 6:21

There Our Heart Will Be

In Matthew 6:21, Jesus says: "Where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." That is the verse our stewardship team picked to be the theme of stewardship season 2026 at the bridge.

During stewardship season, the stewardship team will be inviting you to write a simple sentence prayer to our Lord offering your heart and life to God. Beginning this Sunday, the ushers will be handing out heart-shaped cards with our stewardship theme printed on the front. We are asking you to write a one-sentence prayer dedicating your heart to our Lord on the back of the heart-card.

Then, on Commitment Sunday, please bring your heart-card along with your pledge-card to worship. At the end of the service, you are invited to drop off both cards in a box on your way out of worship. Then, on the following Sunday, we will share some of those anonymous prayers with the congregation in worship.

We hope you will participate in this part of our stewardship season. You don't have to put your name on the prayer, and nobody will know who wrote any of the prayers. The purpose of this fun stewardship activity is to celebrate how the Lord is growing God's love in our hearts.

May the Lord bless our church and the hearts that make up our wonderful congregation.
The Stewardship Team

ADVENT 2026



The holidays are typically a time when we reflect on the blessings of our life. However, many of us, like George Bailey, don't feel our life is going the way we hoped. Maybe it's a dream deferred; a relationship torn or a health challenge that makes us feel discouraged about life. Maybe we are little like George Bailey in the holiday classic: It's A Wonderful Life? Beginning November 29th and running through the Advent and Christmas season, the Bridge Presbyterian Church will explore the life of George Bailey to find where and how God was blessing him and showing him what a wonderful and blessed life, he was living. Each Sunday we will show a clip from It's A Wonderful Life along with a visit from a character in the movie.

As we explore Scripture, we will see how God is at work in our life and in the world with the hope that by Christmas Eve, we will be able to see how the gift of the Christ child, gives us "a wonderful life."

Movie at the bridge

Come watch *It's a Wonderful Life* on Wed, Nov 18th at Noon.
Bring your favorite snacks and drink!

Please sign up in the hallway or online – we need 12 attendees to hold the event.



It's Time to Adorn the church for Advent.

Help us with adorning the church for the season on
Monday November 23 at 10:00

The Chrismon Tree, the Nativity, the Angel Tree (honoring those we have lost) and many more items will need to be placed around the sanctuary and church facilities.

We would love for you to be involved.
If you are available, please come help with this special time of adorning and preparing the bridge and our hearts for the coming of this most wonderful time of the year when we celebrate our Savior's birth.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Hall



Advent Centerpiece - Making Class

Thursday, Nov 19th at 2:00

Cost for supplies will be $12.

We ask each participant to bring a small bag or package of Christmas decorations to share. (Pinecones, floral, bows, cinnamon sticks etc.)

Space is limited to 16.

Please sign up in the hallway or on Realm

by Sunday, Nov. 15th

Find Purpose through Service

Sunday, Nov. 8, 2026

Coffee Servers

9:00 - Patricia

10:30 - Kathy

Greeters/Ushers

9: 00 - Christianos

10:30 - Beals

Liturgists

9:00 – Ruth Fitzsimmons

10:30 – Cathy Boettcher

Are you ready to be Connected by Serving?

*Help with Coffee * Greet People * Usher*

Let Wanda in the office know and she will get you connected.

Give Gratefully

	11/1/26			
Total Weekly Giving	$4,785		9:00 AM	40
Pledge Fulfillment			10:30 AM	70
Total	$4,785		Attendance (4 wk avg)	110

Pray Daily

PRAYER LIST November 5, 2026

Prayers for the following:

ADDITIONS

- Alton Nines who participates with the praise band at Bluefields for recovery from pneumonia.

ONGOING

- Pat Huges, brother of Gina Larkin for continued healing and strength following his esophageal surgery.
- Margo Chestnut continued healing for her broken ribs.
- Chris, a neighbor of Dianne Betz, who is going through chemo treatments.
- Pat Finn, friend of the Weihs family for successful treatment of esophageal cancer.
- Linda D'Amario as she goes through chemo treatments.
- For grandson of Kim Ferris for continued improved health.
- Carey, Wanda's sister who continues with her chemo treatment.
- Taylor, Donna Maher's daughter and Donna who need God's guidance, strength and care.
- Matt, a good friend of the Christianos who is undergoing chemo treatment for leukemia.
- Debbie Cote who is in treatment via immunotherapy and radiation.
- Manny Rosenfeld for healing and ultimate restored sight.
- Kayne continued prayers in his treatment at Children's Hospital in DC.
- Robert (Bob), a relative of Donna Maher's family who has had an emergency liver transplant with critical complications.
- Marilyn Vernon for strength and God's plan in her uncharted journey ahead.
- Lynn Hale as she continues her cancer journey.

AROUND THE WORLD

- Prayers for our country and leadership.
- Prayers for the countries around the world dealing with natural disasters.
- Prayers for peace worldwide.

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12

Please send any prayer requests to Susan Stanewick at sstanewick@gmail.com or call the church office at 910-769-4951

Find Purpose through Service

November Mission Partner

Brunswick Family Assistance

Our November sustainable mission partner is Brunswick Family Assistance Christmas Program.

BFA has served Brunswick County families in need for over 40 years

There are three ways that you can support the Christmas Program

1.) Adopt a child/children under the age of 16 or an adult over 60. You will receive a tag with items they have asked for on a questionnaire. You will purchase these gifts and bring them (unwrapped) with the tag to the church.

****** You can pick up the form on the hall table and it needs to be returned to Wanda by Nov 8th at the latest. The purchased items must be returned to the church no later than Sunday, November 29th.**

2.) Donate unwrapped gifts for children (under 16) or adults (60+) to the "Fill the Sleigh" box in the hallway. Gifts need to be here by November 29th.

3.) Donate money through the offering by making checks to the bridge with BFA Christmas in the Memo line or online scroll down to BFA on the fund list. BFA provides a food basket and a frozen turkey to eligible clients in need even if they have no one in the age groups mentioned above.



Find Purpose through Service

Women of the Bridge came together and stuffed 24 Blessing Bags with food, clothing, hygiene products and a New Testament in each! Mary Ellen Cole will deliver these Blessing Bags to Street Reach on Friday, Nov 5... before cold weather sets in!

Big Shout Out to Ann Tydings for organizing and managing the entire effort!

Thank you to all who donated money for this project!











Find Purpose through Service

THE BLUEFIELDS
MEMORY CARE

Our next Worship Service at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, Nov 5th at 1:30p.m**. in the Activities Room. Volunteers are needed to help the residents with songbooks, purchase/serve cookies, sing along, and enjoy worshiping God with our Bluefields friends.



If you would like to join us in this ministry, please wear your bridge tee shirt, if you have one, and arrive by 1:20p.m.For more information or if you are bringing cookies for the residents, contact Susan Stanewick at sstanewick@gmail.com



Our next Craft Day at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, Nov 19th at 2:00 p.m.** in the Activities Room.

If you would like to join the fun in helping our friends, please arrive by 1:45 and wear your bridge tee shirt, if you have one.

Any questions please email

Patti Pirher at

ppirher@gmail.com

THE BLUEFIELDS
MEMORY CARE

We celebrated fall with our dear friends at The Bluefields Memory Care by making autumn wreaths to decorate their Activities Room.





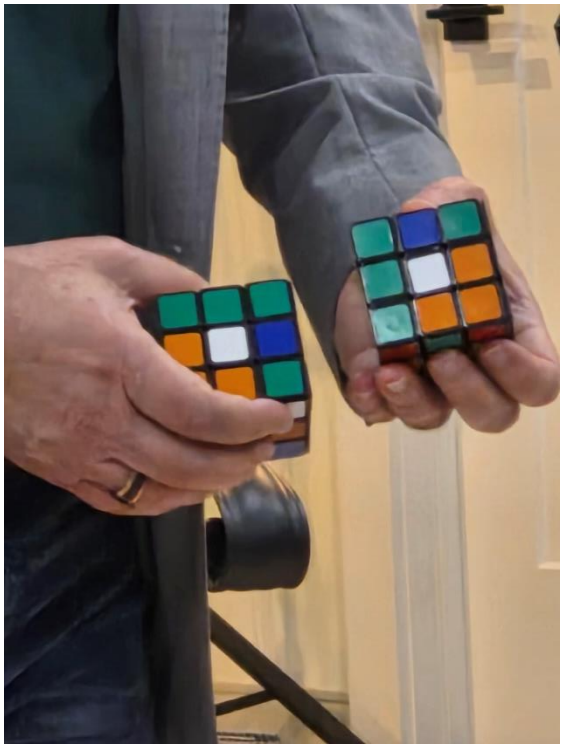




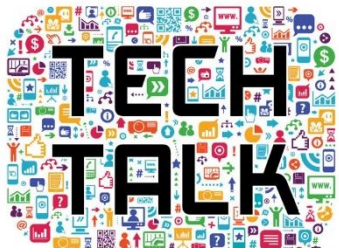
Practice a Christ-Centered Active Lifestyle

Our Bridge Family enjoyed an enchanting evening with spellbinding illusions and a Biblical lesson.









Tech Talk is returning in November! For those who may have missed it last year, we're offering our beginner computer training every Tuesday at 10:00 AM in November. Program Information will be available at the Sign-Up table. Sign up for individual classes or the whole series. Sign up sheet is in the hall or sign up on Realm. **Must have a minimum of 5 to hold each class.**

Module Two - Learning Objectives: Computer Basics (1.5 hours) 11-10-26

At the end of this module, participants will be able to:

- Discuss the difference between computer hardware and software
- Locate the specifications for their computer's processor
- Locate the amount of storage remaining on their devices
- Explain what an Operating System does and list 3 common ones
- Connect to a new network (Get online)
- Use common features on internet browsers
- Use Windows keyboard shortcuts to accomplish common commands
- Explain what "the cloud" is and how it works
- Use basic troubleshooting tips to solve routine issues

Module Three - Learning Objectives: Essential Computer Skills (2 hours) (1.5 hours) 11-17-26

At the end of this module, participants will be able to:

- Describe the Windows file folder method for organizing content on your computer
- List three ways to backing up your files
- Send an email
- Add an attachment to an email
- Open and save an email attachment
- List 3 aspects of photo management
- Explain what a QR Code is
- Open content from a QR code
- Create a QR code
- Place a QR code in a document
- Define "Streaming"
- Subscribe to a streaming service
- Use Zoom for Remote meetings
- Connect a Computer to the Smart TV in Warnock Hall

Module Four - Learning Objectives: Microsoft Office (Word)11-24-26

At the end of this module, participants will be able to:

- Recognize similarities across the MS Office programs
- Change font formatting within a document
- Copy and Paste graphics and text
- Use the Format Painter to copy formatting from one block of text to another
- Apply bullets and numbering
- Indent and outdent text
- Apply shading and borders
- Apply Styles to format text
- Insert a page break
- Understand the difference between a hard return and a page break
- Adjust text to left, right, centered, or justified
- Find specific text within a document
- Replace text already in a document with new text
- Create tables, modify, and use tables
- Insert graphics into a Word document
- Create shapes and drawings in a document
- Capture a screen shot and place it in a document
- Create text boxes to position and hold text and graphics



Space Needed!

Can you help us out with some storage space?

We have a whole lot of donations for our Blessed Bargains Yard Sale and Mission Fair that got rained out. If you could share part of a storage unit or a garage, we could use the space! We might even be willing to share costs for a storage unit. If you have space you're willing to share, please reach out to Bruce Garris at 910-297-3551.

If you had items collected for the Blessed Bargains event and would like to save them for our follow up event this Spring (March 6th!), or if you are still going through your home and have found new things to donate, we have a place for you to take those items!

Cathy Boettcher has agreed to allow us to use her storage building, and we have set a schedule for taking over to her home:

Saturday, November 7th, cleaning the storage building and prep from 10-11am (a couple of volunteers needed!), Then drop-off of items any time between 11am and 2pm

Note**: Tuesday November 10th**, and **Thursday November 12th** are also available for drop-offs by appointment only.

Please call to schedule your drop off with Cathy Boettcher at (910) 471-5951

Celebrate Life's Milestones

November

Birthdays

Marge Hall	8
Elizabeth Murray	13
Ruth Fitzsimmons	15
Judy Bath	17
Dianne Betz	17
Del Shaffar	17
Peter Barrett	22
Sharon Cushing	22
Donna Maher	22
Sheila Davis	24
Jim Manaro	28
Lynne Lewis	29
Steve Wingert	29

If you have a Nov. Anniversary – Please let Wanda know at thebridgepres@gmail.com

Upcoming Happenings

November

1st - Daylight Savings

3rd - Tech Talks - 9:00 - (4 weeks)

3rd - WOTB - Blessing Bags

4th - Session - 3:00

5th - Bluefield Worship - 1:30

6th- New Hope Mobile Clinic

18th - *It's a Wonderful Life* – Movie Showing at Noon

19th – Advent Centerpiece Making Class 2:00

22nd - Stewardship Celebration Sunday

23rd – Adorn the building for Advent – 10:00

26 and 27th - Office Closed - Thanksgiving

29th - 5th Sunday - One Service at 10:30 - First Sunday of Advent