

Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church PC(USA)



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PRELUDE

Piano Trio – No. 1 in D-minor op. 49
Andante con molto tranquillo
Violin – Amy Walder, Cello – Mary Ann Perkel
Piano – Junghoon Park

F. Mendelssohn

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE CHURCH COMMUNITY

Pastor J. C. Austin

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Tom Magette

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me; let us exalt God's name **together**.

People: I will bless the Lord at all times!

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good;

People: happy are those who take refuge in the Lord!

*PRAISE SONG

How Great Thou Art

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Pastor Ashley Brown

Loving God, you set your table with overflowing grace and goodness; you prepare a place for all people and invite them to sit and eat their fill of your rich food. But we confess there are times when we wish your grace was not quite so abundant, when we find ourselves sitting at your table next to someone with whom we would rather not share a table or meal. Help us to recognize and honor your image in every person, so we may truly receive and share your grace in all that we say and do. Through Christ, our Risen Lord, we pray.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI HYMN 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Kathryn "Kat" Green, Director of Children's Ministry

PROCESSION OF ALL SAINTS' BANNERS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder Tom Magette

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

SERMON

"Hardly Getting Over It"
Matthew 5:1-12

Pastor J. C. Austin

*HYMN 326

For All the Saints
Verses 1, 2, 5

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND OFFERING

Elder Tom Magette

A portion of today's offering supports our Outreach and Service committee in the area of evangelism, both local and worldwide. This includes donations that support PC(USA) mission co-workers around the world, and the Comunidad Presbiteriana de la Trinidad (CPT) serving the regional Hispanic population.

To give: text Woods to **73256** or go to **"Give"** on woodschurch.org or use the QR-Code on the back of the bulletin.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

I Will Rise

C. Tomlin

Praise Band, Adult Choir, Strings
Slideshow of Saints

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor J.C. Austin
Pastor Ashley Brown

In the Presbyterian Church, communion is open to those who desire to meet with Christ, regardless of denominational affiliation. Mindful of our vows to nurture our children in the faith, we encourage parents to include their children at the Lord's Supper.

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just to give God thanks and praise.

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Sharing Bread and Cup

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor Ashley Brown

RECESSION OF ALL SAINTS' BANNERS

ANTHEM

God Be with You till We Meet Again
Adult Choir, Strings

H. Sorenson

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Pastor J.C. Austin

*Please stand if you are able

Woods Church services are live streamed and available for public viewing via YouTube on our website (www.woodschurch.org). Current church activities and events are also available for viewing. Check us out!

A Stephen Minister will be available, to the side of the chancel by the Stephen Minister banner, at the end of the service to listen and to pray with you. 9:30 AM Beth Hadley



Prayer Requests



Pledge Card

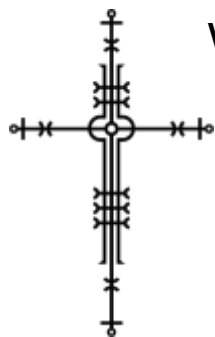


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Welcome to Woods Memorial Presbyterian Church (PCUSA)

November 1, 2026

Our Vision: To be a voice of faith transforming lives
and society through Jesus Christ

Our Mission: Welcoming all to grow and serve in Christ

Flowers today were arranged by Jenny Henry and are given for the glory of God.

Join us for bagels, coffee, and fellowship after the service in Fellowship Hall.
~In honor of Carter Blake Best, third grandson of Calvin & Claudia Cavey,
and son of Blake & Kristen Best

Christian Education/Sunday School Classes

Children's Sunday School Registration Forms are Located on the Welcome Desk

Time	Location	Time	Location
8AM Men's Bible Study	Room 208/Virtual	2PM Confirmation	Room 212
9:30 AM Spiritual Exploration Group	Conference/Virtual		
Nursery 0-2-year-olds	Room 110		
2 & 3-year-olds	Room 115		
4, year-olds – 5 th graders	Room 107		
1 st – 2 nd graders	Room 150		
3 rd – 5 th graders	Room 152		
Middle & High School	Room 208/212		

Upcoming Events & Church News

Congregational Meeting – Sunday, November 8 following the 9:30AM service. The meeting is for the purpose of nominating the members to serve on the Nominating Committee.

Meet and Greet Pastor Ashley! Interested in participating in an in-home gathering with Pastor Ashley? Please email Karen Lerario at apnc@woodschurch.org for more information.

Family Fellowship time All Saints' Day. Picnic on the Playground following our one worship service. Chicken and biscuits are provided. Come welcome Pastor Ashley to our family.

Save the Date! Picnic Table Build Day, Saturday, November 14 from 9AM – 3PM. For more information pick up a flyer from the Woods News Rack in the Welcome area of the church lobby.

Want to know more about Woods Church? Come join us for our New Member info class on November 15 at 10:45AM in the Founders Room. We'll look at the many pieces of the Woods community and how they work together in service to God. We'll learn about the different types of fellowship groups at Woods, special missions and activities, Presbyterian church polity and how the Session and its committees work. If you feel called to membership, you will be welcomed into the congregation the following Sunday, November 22. If you aren't ready to join, but still want to know more, please come and learn with us! We look forward to knowing you better.

Calling All Artists! The Gallery at Woods is having their Annual Advent and Christmas Exhibit on November 23. Register your artwork for this exhibit (deadline 11/18) by providing your name, art title, and contact information to Jenny Henry, jennyhenry1188@comcast.net or Pam Ward, pward@woodschurch.org. Your

artwork must be framed and ready to hang (wire on back), there is a three-piece limit. Artwork will be dropped off in the office conference room from November 18 - 20 between 9AM – 4PM.

Annual Holiday Bazaar, Saturday, November 21 from 9AM to 1PM! All proceeds go to Outreach our Partners.

Halloween Candy Donations - Please consider donating your **leftover Halloween candy** for use in the Secret Santa Shop. All donated candy must be in its original wrappers and can be dropped off at the church front office starting November 1st.

Collectibles and One-of-a-Kind Items - Come shop the Holiday Bazaar for hand-painted art and vintage items, or find the perfect gift for a hostess, dog walker, teacher, or grandparent. Options range from a cozy cup of tea to a "blind date with a book or movie"—perfect for a quiet evening at home.

Holiday Nut Orders - Fall has arrived, and it's time to place your holiday nut orders! Don't miss out on your seasonal favorites. Download the order form at woodschurch.org or pick one up at the Woods News rack in the Welcome area of the church lobby or church office. Return your completed form to Woods Church by mail or drop it off at the office with your check made out to Woods Church (note *Nut Order* on the memo line). If you have any questions, please contact Kay Mitchell at 410.757.7103.

Call for Nominations - the Congregational Nominating Committee is beginning its work, looking for members in the congregation whom they believe may be called to service as Deacons, Elders, Trustees and other important leadership roles. If you think that you or someone you know may be called to one of these ministries, please submit names to Nominating@WoodsChurch.org or use the Nominations cards that can be found at the Welcome Desk in the Lobby.

The Carols of Christmas: A contemplative Christmas Concert with Harp, Choir, and Soloists. Join us on Friday and Saturday, December 4 and 5, 7PM, for our annual Christmas concert, *The Carols of Christmas*. Through the angelic sounds of the harp – and the light of flickering candles – this concert is about reflection and finding peace. Accompanied only by the harp, we will spend an hour bringing beloved carols to life, through harp solos, vocal duets, and choral anthems, including our main piece, *A Ceremony of Carols* by Benjamin Britten. We kindly ask that you register for this Free concert at www.woodstix.org. For questions please email David Merrill at dmerrill@woodschurch.org.



Outreach and Service Partner SPAN is in critical need of canned meats, oatmeal, sides of all kinds, basic toiletries of all kinds, cleaning supplies and diapers sizes 4 and up. Please place your items in the SPAN boxes. Thank you for your kindness and caring by supporting our neighbors in need.

It's that time of year for SPAN's Turkey Trot! This year's 5k and 1-mile walk will be on Saturday, November 7 at Kinder Farm Park! This is SPAN's primary annual fundraiser to meet the extremely high levels of need for emergency food and financial assistance. Not interested in running or walking? You can also sponsor the event or donate to SPAN directly! Use <https://runsignup.com/Race/MD/Millersville/SPANTurkeyTrot> to sign up for the run.

The Baltimore Presbytery is hosting a spring intercultural encounters trip with our Guatemala Partnership, CEDEPCA. This trip is designed to facilitate reflection, dialogue, and mutual service between people of the US, Canada and Guatemalan communities in search of a more just, tolerant and equitable world. Applications and a \$500 deposit are due on October 31! Questions can be submitted to contact Tanya Morrel at tmorrel@gmail.com <https://baltimorepresbytery.org/spring-guatemala-trip-2027/> or use the QR-Code.

