THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DANVILLE

THIS WEEK'S HIGHLIGHTS

November 18, 2026

Friends,

As we approach the season of Thanksgiving, here are a few things for which I find myself grateful today:

- The Hymn Festival two weeks ago (at which $846 was collected in the offering, which will be divided between Grace on the Go and the Boyle County Homeless Coalition).
- A congregation that rolls with the technical issues, liturgical missteps, bulletin typos, and awkward moments during worship on any given Sunday!
- The generosity of this congregation in time, treasure and talents, both within the church, and in the community.
- For smoked, pulled pork and a room full of people this past Consecration Sunday, which saw initial pledges of $319,000. (If you haven't made your pledge yet, please do as soon as possible.)
- The Stewardship Committee (Rev. Jim Erwin, Julia Gerwe-Nicholson, Scott Johnson & Candace Purdom) who worked diligently to plan the four week season.
- A Sanctuary filled with Centre students each night this week, rehearsing for their Fall Concert tomorrow night at 7:30pm (which promises to be a night of wonderful music - I hope you'll come and support some of our closest neighbors).
- Staff and members willing to fulfill my responsibilities while I'm away on a week's vacation, beginning this Saturday.

That's just the beginning of all that could fill my gratitude list - I encourage you to pause for a few minutes each day in the coming week to create your own.

The best is yet to come!

Sean

CONNECT

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT REHEARSALS



It's Christmas Pageant time! The children will be learning music for the pageant on Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm in the choir room upstairs. Pageant rehearsals will start soon. The children will present the pageant during the service on December 13.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT NIGHT

Mark your calendars for Christmas Craft Night on Wednesday, December 2, 5:15-7:00pm! If you would like to help prepare and/or clean up dinner or work at a craft table, please contact Amy Wilson.



CENTRE FINALS STUDY HALL
Sunday, December 6, 7:00-11:00pm



Once again we'll be hosting a quiet study space for Centre students in the Fellowship Hall, and we're looking for some cookie bakers and snack makers. If you're willing to make a few dozen cookies or other baked goods, or provide snacks, please email Sean and let him know what you'll provide. You can bring them with you to worship that morning (December 6), or drop them off at the office at the end of that week if you know you won't be there that Sunday morning.

Thanks in advance to those who will help us provide hospitality to our nearest neighbors during a challenging week!

SERVE
WINTER WARMERS NEEDED!

Presbydan is partnering with Trinity Episcopal Church in a Winter Wear program to respond to the needs of those who are spending most of their lives outside in the cold. Items are made available to the homeless and others in need on Trinity's Main Street fence. As you can see from today's photo, the program is in full swing. Please prayerfully consider providing some "winter warmers" for those in need! Especially needed right now are gloves and mittens but scarves and other warming items are also welcome. Donations can be put into the "Winter Warmers" tote available in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!



WORLD MISSION

News from our partners in mission:



Good Shepherd Hospital in the DR Congo recently celebrated the graduation of 91 medical students from its associated college level medical training institute. Nursing and midwifery were the major specialties, followed by pediatrics and laboratory science.

Currently 386 students are enrolled in the programs; approximately 45% women and 55% men. Following graduation they will serve in various posts throughout the nation.

Founded in 1954 by Presbyterians in the central Congo, Good Shepherd Hospital has grown to become a significant provider of medical services in an often war-torn country.

Thank you for supporting Good Shepherd Hospital and the Christian Medical Institute of the Kasai (IMCK) through our church budget.

LOCAL MISSION

THE SALVATION ARMY ANGELS

As in years past, we have 50 Angels in the Fellowship Hall with needs and wishes of area children. The Christmas Angels are arranged by gender and age on a table in the Main Street corner of the room.

As the tag explains, the Angel Tree families will choose toys from the Salvation Army's Toy Shop. Because of this, please fill the angel's clothing and needs requests.

All toys purchased will go into the SA Toy Shop.

PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION ON THE BACK OF THE TAG.

PLEASE RETURN ALL GIFTS BY

DECEMBER 10, 2026 TO THE SALVATION ARMY 519 South 4th Street



BELLRINGING FOR SALVATION ARMY



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We would like to reopen our church nursery on Sunday mornings. This means that we need two volunteers each Sunday, 9:45-11:15am. Youth are welcome to volunteer, but we need at least one adult each Sunday. There will be a sign-in sheet for parents to leave their phone numbers in case they are needed during worship. Also, there is a TV in the nursery now, so volunteers will be able to watch the service. If you would like to help, please click the link to the Sign-Up Genius and select a date. Our youngest disciples will thank you!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

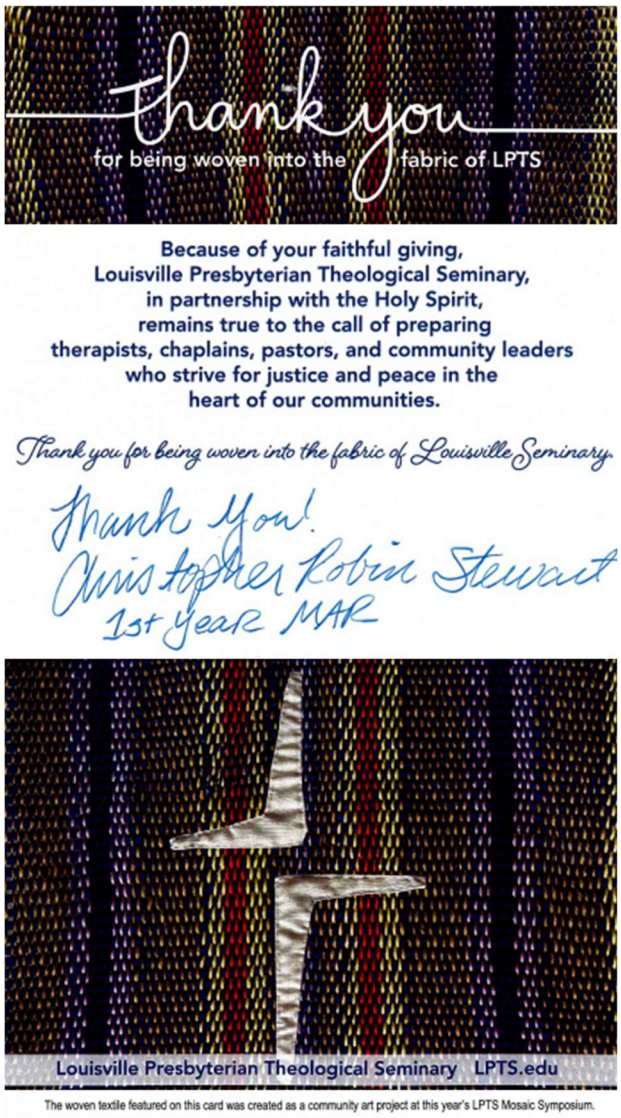


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NEWS AND NOTES

THANK YOU FROM LOUISVILLE PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY



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JOYS AND CONCERNS

The condolences of the congregation are extended to **Chris McMann** and family on the death of his step-father last Thursday.

New Request:

- The Towns family - enduring a time of crisis (friends of **Amy Wilson**)

Updates:

- Dale Martin - no spinal surgery is required as natural healing appears to be going well (father of **Rebecca Gladding**)
- Molly Paul - can see enough to read, reduced headaches following spinal tap (sister of **Robin Voss**)
- Philip Purdom - test results indicate tumors are gone: a few small spots will be checked in 3 months (stepson of **Candace Purdom**)
- Stephanie - fully recovered from a broken hip, but fell and broke a wrist and contracted Covid while in hospital. At home recovering now (grandmother-in-law of **Emily Howard**)

CALENDAR

Wednesday, November 18

7:00am DYC Wakeup Wednesday
8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
9:00am Adult Ed/GED
10:00am AA Meeting
10:30am Staff Meeting
1:30pm Worship Staff Meeting
1:30pm Grace Café Snack Bag Prep
5:15pm Wednesday Night Fellowship
6:00pm Adult and Youth Studies
6:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal and Bible Lesson
6:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 19

8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
9:00am Adult Ed/GED
10:30am Bible Study with Jim Erwin
3:00pm Centre ASP Tutoring
5:00pm Centre Food Recovery Network
5:00pm Danville Dulcimers
7:30pm Fall Choirs in Concert

Friday, November 20

9:00am Adult Ed/GED
10:00am AA Meeting
1:00pm Presbydan Mah Jongg

Saturday, November 21

9:00am Sounding Joy & Resonance Winter Concert Rehearsal

Sunday, November 22

9:00am Christian Formation for All Ages
10:00am Service for the Lord's Day
11:00am Fellowship
1:30pm Casey Tibbles Recital
5:30pm DYC at First Christian Church

Monday, November 23

8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
9:00am Adult Ed/GED
10:00am AA Meeting
4:00pm Monday Prayer Group

Tuesday, November 24

8:00am Grace Café Food Prep
9:00am Adult Ed/GED
9:00am Mental Health Ministry Meeting
10:00am Recovery Café
11:00am Southwind Group
1:30pm Worship Staff Meeting
6:00pm Girl Scouts Troop 7 Brownie Scouts Meeting
6:00pm Recovery Meeting