



First  
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Church



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## This Sunday at First Pres

This Sunday we will observe All Saints' Day in the life of the church. During communion in both services we will read aloud the names of those who have died since November 1, 2023. If you would like the name of someone close to you who has died this year to be read aloud during this time, there will be a place to write those names as you enter the worship space (or you can email Pastor Mary Beth [mb@fpcevv.com](mailto:mb@fpcevv.com) by 8:00 a.m. Sunday morning.)



This week's gratitude focus is *The Impossible Promise of Hope* where we'll observe the connection between the children and youth of the congregation and the saints who've gone on before us. Come together this Sunday with your First Pres family whether you attend in-person or join us online at 8:30 or 10:30 a.m. Live Stream links and bulletins are available on the First Pres [website](#).

## First Friday



It's time for another First Friday recital! Tonight, November 1 at 7:00 p.m., we welcome Katie Gunn and James Walton from the IU Jacobs School of Music to the organ bench in the historic First Pres Sanctuary. Invite your friends to start their month downtown with you and good music!

## Fall Back Time!

Daylight Saving time ends this Sunday morning at 2:00 a.m. Be sure to set your clocks back one hour before retiring on Saturday night - if you forget, you may end up with the honor of being the first person to church on Sunday! (Yikes!)



## Abundance Brunch



Our congregation has so many reasons to be filled with gratitude. We have an abundance of blessings. And as we move toward Thanksgiving in this season of considering *God's Impossible Promise of Enough*, we hope it is becoming clear that as people of faith we are each called to be good stewards of God's gifts.

You are invited to bring your favorite shareable brunch dish and gather for an **Abundance Brunch** on Sunday, November 10 at 9:30 a.m. That Sunday we will give thanks for the abundance of time and talent that is shared in and through this congregation. Both worship services will happen at their regular times in their regular spaces with brunch in between. Bring your dish to the Parlor at 9:30 a.m.

## It's Jiffy Time!

Calling all shoppers! It's time to stock up on Jiffy Cornbread Mix and bring it with you to church. The Mission Committee encourages you to help feed our neighbors this Thanksgiving by bringing Jiffy Mix for the Evansville Rescue Mission's 103<sup>rd</sup> annual Gobbler Gathering. They expect to provide Thanksgiving food boxes to over 2,000 households.



First Pres' goal is 500+ boxes of Jiffy Mix - you can bring them to the church now through Sunday, October 20. If you're not a shopper, monetary donations are always welcome - make your check to First Pres (or [give online!](#)) and designate as "Jiffy Mix" Thank you for sharing with our neighbors in need!

## Calling All Readers!

Book Group at First Pres meets next on Monday, November 4, 6:30-8:00 p.m. A Zoom option is available; contact [Francie Hubbard](#) to learn how to sign in.



The group will discuss *Norwegian by Night*, a novel about an old man and a boy who become strangers on the run. It has been called "compelling, funny and richly rewarding." Although it is available in several electronic formats, copies of the book will be hard to find (only one in EVPL system) so consider sharing with a friend.

On December 2, the book will be *The Humans* by Matt Haig, a funny tale about a visiting alien's first impression of human beings.

## Caring Connection

Gerald Summers has asked that the congregation be made aware that Susie has experienced a sudden decline in health and is now at Heart to Heart Hospice in Evansville. Your prayers for comfort and peace are requested. You may call Gerald at 812-480-2694 if there are any questions.



## Daily Readings



Sunday, November 3 [Ezra 1:1-11](#)  
Monday, November 4 [Ezra 3:1-13](#)  
Tuesday, November 5 [Ezra 4:7, 11-24](#)  
Wednesday, November 6 [Haggai 1:1-2:9](#)  
Thursday, November 7 [Zechariah 1:7-17](#)  
Friday, November 8 [Ezra 5:1-7](#)  
Saturday, November 9 [Ezra 6:1-22](#)

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