



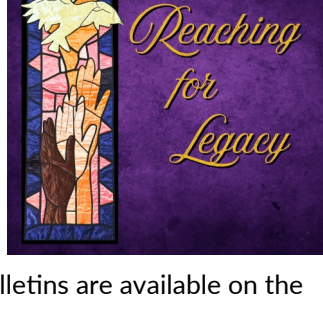
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news from First Presbyterian Church – Evansville, IN
November 14, 2025

This Sunday

Our Future Hope series continues with Reaching for Legacy! Friends, reaching for legacy can't be done on an individual basis. It is the work of all of us together for a future that is far beyond us. We continue to read through the Exodus story of the building of the tabernacle (what some call the first capital campaign) and then move to First Thessalonians and the Gospel according to John for our instructions as we reach for legacy. [HINT: it's about how we live in community and it's about love.]



Join us Sunday in person or online! Live Stream links and bulletins are available on the First Pres [website](#).

Congregational Meeting this Sunday!

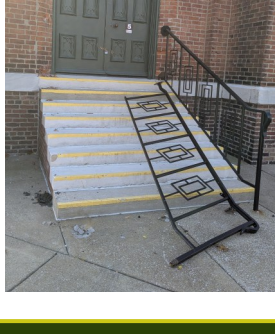
The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for this Sunday, November 16 at 9:30 a.m. If you're a Wide Awake worshiper, plan to stay after worship, and if you're a



Sanctuary worshiper, please to come a little early so you can participate - we'll approve the Pastor's terms of call for 2026 and elect officers to begin service in January. You can read/download the agenda [HERE](#). Following the meeting, Pastor MB will lead a town-hall style meeting about the *Future Hope* Campaign. (We Make the Road and Bible Bunch classes will not meet this Sunday.)

It's Fixable...

If you travel by the building during the week, you may have noticed that one of the railings leading into the Mulberry Tower isn't where it should be. On Wednesday morning, it was struck during a car accident. Thankfully, no one was injured. The building is secure, insurance has been notified, damage is minor, and it's fixable. But until we do get it repaired, please use the courtyard entrances - main and tower - to access the building.



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 from the Evansville Rescue Mission's 104th 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 *this Sunday, November 16*. 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!

Lunch and Learn - Monday

The Mission Committee's next Lunch and Learn program is Monday, November 17, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The speaker of the day is Ely Sena-Martin, Executive Director of Evansville's **Immigrant Welcome and Resource Center**. The Center serves as a trusted partner and advocate for immigrants, providing opportunities that help them thrive in their new home. In the last fifteen months they have supported 1,155 new Americans from 21 countries.

We'll gather in fellowship hall - bring your own lunch as early as 11:30. The presentation will begin at noon and last as long as an hour (including time for questions). Drinks will be provided. Join us in learning how the center empowers individuals and families by providing services and connecting them with community resources.



Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

First Pres is delighted to host this year's Interfaith Thanksgiving Service on behalf of the Mayor's Interfaith Advisory Committee on Wednesday, November 19. Join our neighbors in faith in the First Pres Sanctuary at 6:30 p.m. as we give thanks for all God has done. You are invited to bring non-perishable items to help stock food pantries in Evansville. Additionally, a reception will follow in Fellowship Hall; if you are interested in helping provide refreshments, click [HERE](#) to sign up or contact [Jake Kohlmeyer](#) (sayheyjake@gmail.com).



Feeling the need to DO SOMETHING?

Feed Evansville invites you to volunteer with our various hunger relief efforts. Our mission is to help eradicate food insecurity in the Tri-State area and beyond.

They are seeking volunteers to assist with tasks such as food distribution, fundraising, and outreach. As a volunteer, you will make a real difference in the lives of those who struggle to put food on the table. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to gain new skills and to network with other volunteers and community members.

Please use this link to see all of Feed Evansville's volunteer opportunities:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054DA5AF2BA3FEC43-58516368-longest#/>



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Breakfast with Santa!

Breakfast with Santa is back! On Saturday, November 22 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m., the jolly elf himself will be at First Pres spreading cheer while folks enjoy a hearty breakfast of



pancakes, sausage, eggs, and all the trimmings. No one is too old to enjoy pancakes nor Santa, but if this event isn't for you, consider purchasing tickets to donate! Donated tickets will be distributed to families in need, particularly in the Glenwood, Lincoln, and Culver School districts as well as ECHO Pediatrics and the House of Bread and Peace. The \$10 tickets are available from choir members, the church office, and by using the [Breakfast with Santa form on First Web](#). All

proceeds will benefit the choir and youth of First Pres. Thank you!

Future Hope

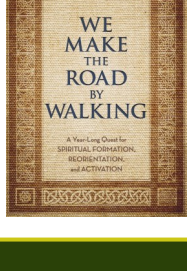
Future Hope, our comprehensive campaign to fund the ministry and mission of First Pres has begun. Watch for information in your USPS mail over the next several weeks as we share our hopes, dreams, and plans for First Pres that will benefit generations to come. If we don't have your street address, you can read the second letter [HERE](#), and the special insert in First Reports [HERE](#).



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We Make the Road

Join Rev. Jerusha in a yearlong quest for spiritual formation, reorientation, and activation by participating in weekly conversation groups based around Brian McLaren's book *We Make the Road by Walking*. Hybrid (in-person + online) groups meet on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at Noon and 7:00 p.m. (Zoom links are on the [church website](#)). Books (\$11) are available in the church office (and on Kindle and Hoopla), and you can drop in/out as your schedule allows.



Prayer Requests

- for a Dad, struggling to find a job;
- for family, as they travel home;
- for those suffering with chronic pain;
- for one with a sad heart;
- for those affected by the Louisville UPS plane crash;
- for one seeking protection from harm;
- for the PW planning committee, as they prepare for this year's Green Tea;
- for Susan, dealing with serious allergies;
- for those who are grieving;
- for an 11 year old and her family, as she awaits a heart transplant;
- for Sheri and Tommy, whose mother died this past week;
- for Jody, who is struggling;
- for the Congregation of Valpairaso Presbyterian Church which was raided by ICE on Sunday morning, and for the person who was taken into custody;
- for the friends and family of Dick Engbers;
- for a grandmother, who is experiencing a great deal of pain, as well as her family, who loves and cares for her;
- for those doing the hard work of emotional, physical, and spiritual healing;
- in gratitude for supportive communities.



Daily Readings

Sunday, November 16 [Habakkuk 1:1-4, 12-2:1](#)
Monday, November 17 [Habakkuk 2:1-4, 9-20](#)
Tuesday, November 18 [Habakkuk 3:1-10, 16-18](#)
Wednesday, November 19 [Malachi 1:1, 6-14](#)
Thursday, November 20 [Malachi 2:1-16](#)
Friday, November 21 [Malachi 3:1-12](#)
Saturday, November 22 [Malachi 3:13-4:6](#)



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