



Park Avenue Christian Church NEWS

November 17, 2025

The 4“T’s” of Stewardship: Thanksgiving




Thanksgiving Sunday is November 23. It will be a very special day because it is our opportunity to put into writing our promise to support the church with our financial resources. We will also be celebrating Thanksgiving in scripture and sermon and with a fabulous Thanksgiving dinner following worship.

Our scripture for Sunday is a well-known Psalm—Psalm 100. This Psalm is just 5 verses of pure joy. Biblical scholars assume it was a song used for processions in worship. There was a beautiful hymn written for Queen Elizabeth’s coronation in 1956 based on the Psalm. We know it as the tune to; Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow.

The author of the Psalm calls worshipper to enter the sanctuary with joyous, boisterous, celebrative singing. Not adverbs we would generally use for singing in worship in the 21st century white congregations. We tend to delegate that to the children’s choir. Maybe this Sunday we will practice worshipping with joy and thanksgiving.

See you Thanksgiving Sunday.
Pastor Alice

CONSECRATION SUNDAY



This week you should receive a letter from the Stewardship team inviting you to prayerfully consider making a pledge to the ministries of our congregation. We encourage you to bring those pledge cards with you this Sunday, November 23rd and at the time of dedication we will come forward and add them to our cross. It is with trust, transformation and teamwork that we come in Thankfulness to worship our Lord and Savior.

PASTOR ALICE'S OFFICE HOURS

Pastor Alice is in the office from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each Monday and from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday. You are always welcome to drop by. If you want to speak with her when she isn't in the office you may call her at 515-201-4582.

POWER PACC for adults

Our Wednesday evening adult learning time is still studying Thriving Congregations. Since each chapter is independent you can drop in any week. You don't even need a copy of the book. Discussion is lively, join us anytime.

Joys we are thankful for:

- Children's choir Sunday
- Grateful for the gift cards for families for Thanksgiving
- The election of new Elders, Diaconate and Trustee.
- Confirmation of the 2026 budget.

Concerns to pray for:

- For healing; Brylee, Kaylea, Dolly, Megan, Jan's father, Kathy, Bev, Lori, Mary.
 - For comfort for the Johnson family.
 - Prayers for the Orphanage in Jamaica damaged in the hurricane.
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Our Life Together

Wed Nov 19

Power-PACC – Meal 6PM

Lessons and book study 6:30PM

Fri Nov 21

Bingo! Supper and Fellowship 6:30PM

Friday Nov 21 6:30 PM

Free will Offering - Food and Drinks

Come for a night of Fellowship and Bingo!

BINGO

Sun Nov 23

Holy Buckets Collection

Adult Choir Rehearsal 9:15AM

Hand bell Choir Rehearsal 9:45AM

Worship 10:30AM

Thanksgiving Potluck - Fellowship Hall 12PM Signup in Narthex.

We need people to sign-up for food and helpers.

Mon Nov 24

Church Christmas Decorating 6:30PM

Wed Nov 26

Power-PACC – No activities this week.

Thur Nov 27

Thanksgiving Day

Sun Nov 23

Holy Buckets Collection

Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal 9:15AM

Adult Choir Rehearsal 9:45AM

Women's Choir Rehearsal 9:55AM

Worship 10:30AM

Wed Dec 3

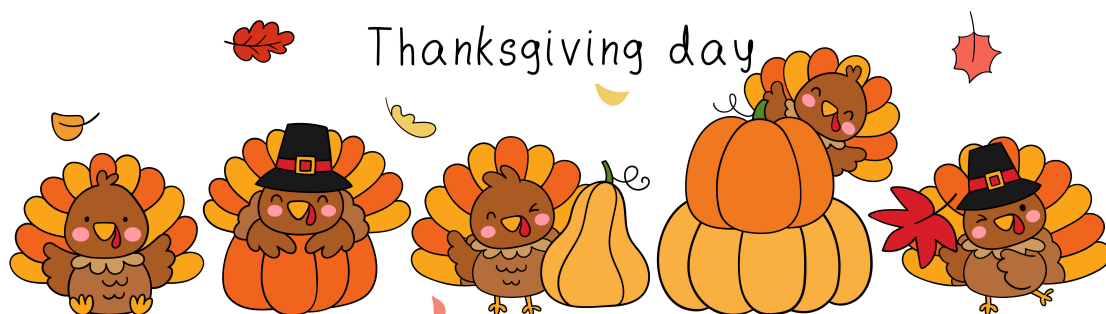
Power-PACC – Meal 6PM

Lessons and book study 6:30PM

Children's Christmas Musical Rehearsal

Thur Dec 4

Adult Choir Rehearsal 6:30PM





Congregational Life is planning the annual Thanksgiving Potluck for Sunday November 23rd after worship.

Please signup on table in the Narthex. We need people to signup for food and helpers by next Sunday.

Outreach Projects are when the people from our congregation help us do something good beyond our church doors. It is time to help the children at Park Avenue Elementary School with Thanksgiving Dinner. We will turn your cash into \$35 gift cards from Aldi. The social worker at the school knows families that need the most help and will be handing out the gift cards. **We have 1 Sundays before Thanksgiving.**

Sandy Duff, Lois Birmingham, Rose Brees, and Linda Poil are here to help take your donations.

With much appreciation,
PACC Outreach Ministry

Thanksgiving Special Offering

Each year at Thanksgiving time the Disciples of Christ receive a special offering for the colleges, universities and seminaries supported by our denomination.

The money received goes to scholarships. Pastor Alice and Dr. John received assistance when they were at Culver-Stockton College, our college in Canton, Missouri.

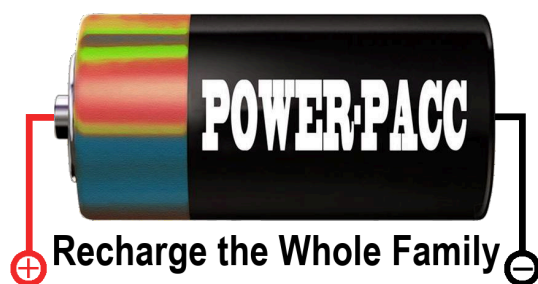
Offering envelopes will be in the bulletin Sunday or you can send money through the church's website. Thank you on behalf of the 15 colleges and 7 seminaries.

Micro Food Pantry



We now have a micro food pantry at PACC! Thanks for constructing it Kirk. Please help us keep it filled for those in need. If you have any questions please see Lori Durrett 515-971-2020 or Jan Stribling 515-979-2645.

**Power-PACC is
Wednesdays! Meal
and activities for all
ages.**



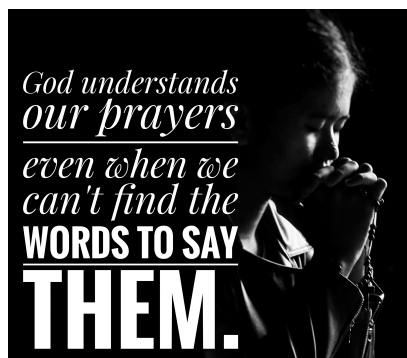
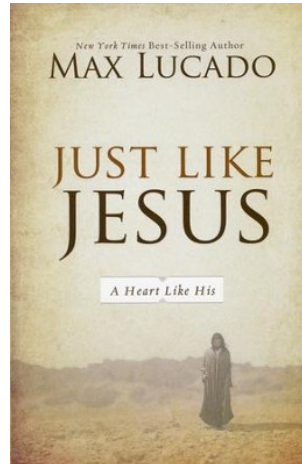
BUT FIRST, COFFEE

Coffee Fellowship 10 – 10:30 AM

Please sign up to make coffee for this Fellowship time for future Sundays.
Thank you!

**Adult Book Study, meet
in the Library
Sundays 9:30AM**

**In depth look and
discussion on Max
Lucado's Just Like
Jesus**



**Sunday Prayer Group
at 8 pm**

Facebook: PACC Family

**Cashless Giving
One Time or Recurring**



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