

OCTOBER 2024 INCOME/EXPENSE REPORT			
	<u>2024 Budget</u>	<u>2024 Actual</u>	<u>2023 Actual</u>
Income:	\$264,452	\$258,660.75	\$235,590.51
Expenses:	\$264,452	\$278,611.12	\$257,944.37
(Deficit)/Surplus:		\$(19,950.37)	\$(22,353.86)

Contact Mark Wisely or Robin Story for assistance with any end-of-year gifts. Please help us meet our annual needs!

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

This month let's pack the pantry with Thanksgiving staples. Looking for donations of stuffing, yams, potatoes, rice, canned meats, vegetables and fruits, and dessert items. Please place items inside the church and we will replenish the yellow box for you.

DECORATING THE CHURCH - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2024

Save the date! We will decorate our Church for Christmas on Saturday, November 30, 2024, 4:00—6:00 PM. A light meal will be provided. If anyone wants to decorate earlier that week (11/25-11/29), feel free to come in and put up your decorations!

POINSETTIA ORDERS

Poinsettias purchased in memory or in honor of loved ones are placed in the sanctuary on the Sunday before Christmas and left through the Christmas Eve Service. You may take your plant(s) home after the service on Christmas Eve. **If you would like to purchase a poinsettia, fill out the form on the table in the back of the sanctuary and place it in the offering plate or give it to Jim Story. You can place your order, and pay later, if you don't have the \$10 today. Make checks payable to *First Presbyterian Church* and put *Poinsettia* on the memo line. The last day for orders is Sunday, December 1, 2024.**

NOVEMBER 24 THROUGH DECEMBER 1, 2024

Today	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Claudine Bader Memorial Thank Offering Dinner
Monday		
Tuesday		
	7:00 pm	The Chosen
Wednesday	8:30 am	Men's GBR
	8:30 am	Women's GBR
Thursday		Happy Thanksgiving!
Friday		Office Closed
Saturday	8:15 am	Aerobics
	5:00 pm	Decorating the Church
Sunday	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship
	11:15 am	Fellowship Hour

Flowers today are given by Jan McConnell in honor of Jan & Bill's 54th Wedding anniversary (on November 28th).

The Church office will be closed Thursday & Friday, November 28th & 29th for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

CLAUDINE BADER THANK OFFERING DINNER—TODAY!!!

Join us after church service on Sunday, November 24, 2024, for the annual Claudine Bader Thank Offering Dinner sponsored by our own Presbyterian Women. Turkey, ham, potatoes, stuffing, rolls, corn, and green beans are provided. *Everyone is invited!*



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Eric R. Gale, Pastor

NOVEMBER 24, 2024

ELDERS

- Mark Wisely
- Barb Runyon
- Jennie Auble
- Laurie Szabo
- Stephen Craig
- Dick Zeiler
- Sue Jourdan
- Eric R. Gale
- Finance
- Evangelism
- Mission
- Clerk
- Planning
- Personnel /Nom.
- Properties
- Christian Education
- Worship
- Moderator

DEACONS

- Jake Light, Moderator
- Johnathan Baker
- Susan Clark
- Brenda Christian
- Karen Perkins Gale
- Clint Gingerich
- Andrea Joines
- Fran Oakley
- Joe Sullivan
- Quinn Teague
- Diane Widdifield

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marlynn Story, not feeling well.
The family of Marcia Paull, on her recent passing.
Lamar Ziegler, recuperating at home from rotator cuff repair.
Paul Auble, recuperating at home following shoulder replacement surgery.
Paul Wood, recuperating at home following triple by-pass, heart valve replacement and pacemaker.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
NOVEMBER 24, 2024

As you arrive for worship, greet each other with a smile and soft words, but please remember there are those who cherish a time of quiet before worship.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Sue Jourdan, Thank Offering

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE Cheryl Mayhew, organ
"Now Thank We All Our God" J.S. Bach

† **CALL TO WORSHIP** (responsive) Lay Leader: Bob Moore

L: In deep gratitude we come to worship God.

P: We recognize God as the source of all goodness.

L: All good gifts come from the Spirit of God:

P: love, peace, joy, patience, kindness, gentleness are all of God.

L: We come with grateful hearts, not for things, but for who God is.

P: We gather to show our gratitude in song and prayer.

† **OPENING HYMN** *"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"* #797

† **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

Creator God, forgive our moments of ingratitude, the spiritual blindness that prevents us from appreciating the wonder that is this world, the endless cycle of nature, of life and death and rebirth. Forgive us for taking without giving, reaping without sowing. Open our eyes to see, our lips to praise, our hands to share. May our feet touch lightly on the path we tread, and our footsteps be worthy of following, for they lead to you. Amen.

† **ASSUVRANCE OF PARDON** (responsive)

L: God did not send Christ into the world to condemn the world, but to be its Savior. We can trust God's word.

All: We are a forgiven people. Thanks be to God!

† **GLORIA PATRI**

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.

CHORAL ANTHEM *"A Jubilant Song"* Chancel Choir
(Allen Pote)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE "Contentment" Douglas
(Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

(Please keep joys and concerns brief. This is time for prayer)

OFFERING *"Prelude on 'Kremser'"* Gregg Sewell

† **DOXOLOGY**
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† Prayer of Dedication

HYMN OF PREPARATION *"In Thanksgiving, Let Us Praise Him"* #796

MESSAGE "The Freedom of Contentment" Pastor Eric Gale
Philippians 4:10-13; Deuteronomy 8:10-14

† **CLOSING HYMN** *"Let All Things Now Living"* #794

† **BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *"Song of Thanksgiving"* Roy E. Nolte

† Please stand if you are able.

Join us in Fellowship Hall following the service for coffee and refreshments.

- * Please sign and date the attendance pad.
- * Be sure to silence your cell phones.
- * We have a fully staffed Nursery available for newborn through 2 years old. Located in the upstairs hallway (nearest the back door), the 2nd door on the left. A changing table is available in the Nursery, as well.

SCRIPTURE

Philippians 4:10-13

¹⁰ I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹ I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

Deuteronomy 8:10-14

¹⁰ When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the Lord your God for the good land he has given you. ¹¹ Be careful that you do not forget the Lord your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. ¹² Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, ¹³ and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, ¹⁴ then your heart will become proud and you will forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

MESSAGE NOTES

As we approach this season of gratitude and thanksgiving, how do we find true peace and contentment in this day and age when we think we can have it all? The answer lies in:

I. **Your P_____!**

Phil 4:11 I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances.

II. **Your P_____!**

Deut. 8:11 Be careful that you do not forget the Lord your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day.

III. **Your P_____ S_____!**

Philip. 4:13 "For I can do everything with the help of Christ who gives me the strength I need."

Verses on Contentment:

Matthew 5:6
Luke 12:15
John 4:13-15
Habakkuk 3:17-19
Psalm 23:1
Proverbs 16:8
Proverbs 15:16
I Timothy 6:10-11