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THIS WEEK AT CONCORD CHURCH

Sunday, October 25
10:45 AM – Gathering Time
11:00 AM — Worship

3:00 PM — Memorial Service for Joelen Purser Wheeler

Thursday, October 29
6:00 PM — Yoga, Anderson Hall

Sunday, November 1 – Clocks Change!
10:45 AM – Gathering Time
11:00 AM — Worship and Holy Communion

Saturday, November 7
8:00 AM — Men's Breakfast, Anderson Hall
4:00 PM — Kee Street UMC Bean Dinner

Sunday, November 8
10:45 AM – Gathering Time
11:00 AM — Worship

Thursday, November 12
6:00 PM — Yoga, Anderson Hall

Announcements

- The **altar flowers** are given by Richard and Joyce M. in celebration of their 53rd wedding anniversary on October 26.
- A **memorial service** honoring the life of **Joelen Purser Williams** will be held today at 3:00 PM. A potluck meal will be held after the service for the family and the church congregation. Please bring a dish and join us as we gather to remember, honor, and celebrate Joelen's life.
- **Princeton Parish Project — October** — We will be collecting instant potatoes and stuffing mix for the food pantry. Thank you for continuing to support our neighbors in need. We are also collecting new **underwear throughout October**. Current needs include men's t-shirts and women's socks.
- The **Men's Breakfast** will be held on **Saturday, November 7, at 8:00 AM** in **Anderson Hall**. All are welcome to join us for food, fellowship, and conversation.
- **Kee Street UMC Bean Dinner Fundraiser** will be held on **Saturday, November 7th at 4:00 to 6:00 PM**, 311 Kee Street, Princeton WV 24742.

CONCORD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Seek God's Will ~ Teach God's Love ~ Serve God's World

Sunday, October 25, 2026

22nd Sunday After Pentecost

ENTRANCE

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship
We are chosen children of God, bound together by the Holy Spirit.
>We belong to God, and through God, we belong to one another.

When we feel tested by hard decisions, calls to advocate against injustice, competing narratives, and worrying misinformation, we remember:
>We belong to God, and through God, we belong to one another.

When we struggle with damaged trust and the need to repair our relationships with God and one another, when we are called to go against the social current to build communities of mercy and justice, we remember:
>We belong to God, and through God, we belong to one another.

Come, let us worship God whose grace surrounds us when we feel tested and tried, empowering us to remain faithful disciples of Jesus Christ when we face chaos, division, injustice, and hardship.
>We come to worship God who chooses us, empowers us, and inspires us to live as the Body of Christ in a broken and hurting world. Amen.

Morning Hymn: Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (UMH 89)*

Roots & Wings Moment

Prayers of the People
Together, let us pray for ….
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

*Please stand as you are able.

Pastoral Prayer

Now, with the confidence of God's people, may we pray together the Lord's Prayer.
>The Lord's Prayer (UMH 895)
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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Psalter Reading: Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 (UMH 809-810)

Offering and Offertory Music
*Doxology, Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (UMH 94)
*Offertory Prayer

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 (New Testament, Pew Bible page 203)

Message: *"Envision: The Great Commandment!"*

Text: Matthew 22:34-40 (New Testament, Pew Bible page 25)

SENDING FORTH

*Closing Hymn: *The Gift of Love (UMH 408)*

*Benediction

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Prayers of the Concord Church

Pray for: Sick and shut-in members; The United Methodist Church; Bishops; District Superintendents; Pastors; the President; the Governor; the military and their families; world leaders and elected officials; and pray for peace.

Military Personnel: Tom Bone IV, Andy Walker and Chaplain (Maj) Chip Bennett

October 4: Elizabeth M., requests prayers for the family and friends of Bill C., who recently passed away. Bill was married to April, was a long-time member of the faculty at Concord, and was a resident of Athens; Phyllis K., requests prayers for Mary and Ken G. as they prepare for their move and navigate all that it entails. She also asks for special prayers as their beloved dog, Dirty Harry, was not well enough to make the move with them; Sharon M. requests prayers for Charlie, the grandson she, Joe, and Kathy S. share. Charlie is a freshman in college and will undergo surgery on October 16.; Joe M., prayers for our country, its leaders, our people and especially our military personnel; Elizabeth M., requests prayers for Janet, who comes to the Kee Street Pantry, and for her friend James, whom she takes to cancer treatments. James has been told that his treatments are no longer working. Please lift both James and Janet in prayer.

October 11: From Doug W., prayers for Scott and Teresa S, who lost their son Evan in a motorcycle accident. He leaves behind a wife and two young children; Greg B., for Joe M. prayers for our country, its leaders, our people and especially our military personnel; Justin H., pray for all the families affected by Hurricane Isaiah and all the weather-related incidents across our country; Justin H., travel prayers for Joe and Sharon M.; Katie H., prayers for the two promising candidates who are advancing on to the second round of interviews for the Organic Chemistry professorship at CU; Rose K., prayers for Ken and Mary G. as they prepare for their move this week.

October 18: Janet V., continued prayers for my great nephew, Caleb, who is recovering and doing well but needs our prayers; Joyce M., continued prayers for Richard's brother-in-law Patrick and for Richard who is getting better after suffering a bad cold this past week; Matthew T., joy to celebrate the birth of my second cousin Nick and Sarah's baby boy, Tobias; Rose K., prayers for our neighbor, Hank B., who is having heart valve replacement surgery; Sharon M. requests prayers for Charlie, the grandson she, Joe, and Kathy S. share. Charlie's surgery was successful and he ready to go back to school; Joe M., requests prayers for Sharon who is having knee surgery this coming week; and prayers for our country, its leaders, our people and especially our military personnel; Sheila M., continued prayers for my sister Cheryl that she can adjust and find peace in her new life after the loss of her husband; continued prayers for Ken and Mary G., as they unpack and settle in their new home; Linda P., unspoken prayer request for the Poe family.

(Prayer requests will be listed here for three weeks.
First names and last initials are used with details omitted to protect privacy).

* Please stand as you are able.

** The Year A Lectionary: Daily Readings may be found on our website at **concordathens.org**