THIS WEEK!

GREAT BRIDGE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November	15	9:30 am Traditional Worship; 11:00 am Contemporary Worship
		10:30 am KIDS SING, Room 200; Junior Choir, Choir Suite
		10:30 am 2027 NC Mission Trip Information Meeting
		11:00 am IMPACT Youth Group, Kari's Cove
		11:00 Adult Sunday School, Room 240
		12:00 pm Youth Worship Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary
		Thanksgiving Food Basket Food Deadline
		4:00 pm Family Connect Night presents: Screen Sanity
	17	7:00 pm Session Meeting, Room 240
	18	10:00 am Seasoned Saints Tour of the Chrysler Museum
	19	6:30 pm Cherith Circle, Room 240
	20	12:00 pm Seasoned Saints' Luncheon, Fellowship Hall
	21	9:00 am Thanksgiving Baskets Food Sort, Fellowship Hall

Check our website for a complete list of upcoming events and latest updates: gbpres.org

GIVING: A secure link for electronic giving is available on the church's website at www.gbpres.org. You may also give by scanning the QR code. We now accept Apple pay.

SCREEN SANITY: Join us for Family Connect Night featuring Screen Sanity! Parents will explore today's screen-time challenges and learn practical ways to raise healthy, happy kids in a digital world. This is a family event, and children are encouraged to attend and participate! Join us for an evening of learning and fun for the whole family!

ADVENT CANDLE READERS: The first Sunday of Advent is November 29. We look forward to the Advent season with great anticipation. Be a part of this special season by signing up to light the Advent Candles. Scan the QR Code or use the link on the church website or weekly church email. All readings will be sent to you. We love to have families, friends, small groups, any and all are welcome to participate.

CHURCH OFFICER NOMINATIONS: The Congregational Nominating Committee (CNC) is seeking nominations for positions of elder and deacon. Must be active GBPC members, committed to Jesus Christ, willing to serve for a three-year term. Scan the QR Code to make your nomintations. Nominations are due by November 30.

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHURCH or just learning more about GBPC? Join us for our Inquires' Class on November 22 at 12:15 pm in Room 230. Sign up at the Welcome Desk or contact Amy Brand at amybrand04@gmail.com.

Thank you for joining us for worship today. There's a place for you here!

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Great Bridge Presbyterian Church

November 15,2026, 9:30am

25th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome! We are glad you are here!

*Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit.
Congregation responds with the text in **bold print**.
Families, we have worship bags that assist children in understanding scripture. Ask an usher.

The Gathering

Prelude Reflections on "E'en So Lord Jesus, Quickly Come" Paul Manz

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Kim Priddy

Minute for Mission

***Passing the Peace** Rev. Kim Priddy
(When we extend our hand to another, we identify with Jesus, who extended his life to the point of death to make peace with humanity. When we pass the peace, we practice God's shalom.)

***Call to Worship**
The master has entrusted us with great gifts: varied, abundant and full of holy potential.
We do not gather in fear or scarcity, but in gratitude and hope.
To each of us is given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.
Let us not hide our light or bury our treasures in the dirt.
Come, let us praise the God who risks loving us and calls us to risk loving others.
Let us worship the immortal, invisible Holy God, whose great name we praise.

***Hymn of Praise** No. 12 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise ST. DENIO

***Call to Confession** Sam Grady, Liturgist
God has created us for abundant life and entrusted us with the treasures of the kingdom. Yet, so often we allow anxiety to dictate our actions, choosing the illusion of safety over the radical demands of the Gospel. God knows the fears we carry and the gifts we have buried. Let us come before our generous Creator, holding nothing back, and confess our sins together, first in silent prayer.

***Time for Silent Confession**

***Prayer of Confession** Sam Grady, Liturgist

God of abundance, you have poured your grace into our lives, trusting us to be partners in the healing of your world. Yet we confess that we are often paralyzed by fear. We fear failure, we fear scarcity, and we fear one another.We bury your gifts of mercy, justice, and love beneath the heavy soil of safety and self-preservation. Forgive us when we view you as a harsh master rather than a generous giver. Teach us to trust your grace so deeply that we risk everything to follow your call. Amen.

***Declaration of Forgiveness** Rev. Kim Priddy

Hear the good news: God does not give us a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and self-discipline. In Jesus Christ, our hesitation is forgiven, and our gifts are renewed. Trust the grace that sets you free to live creatively and generously.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***Response** No. 447 We are Forgiven Hal H. Hopson

We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God (Repeat).

Special Music Give Thanks KIDS SING

Words to the Children Rev. Kim Priddy

Children will leave for Sunday School following Words to the Children.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer(using debts & debtors) Carolyn Lewis
Assisting Elder, Worship & Music

Scripture Zephaniah 1:7,12-18; OT: pages 874-875 Sam Grady, Liturgist

Anthem E'en So Lord Jesus, Quickly Come" Paul Manz

Scripture Matthew 25:14-30; NT: pages 28-29 Rev. Kim Priddy

Sermon "What Have You Buried?"

Affirmation of Faith (From A Declaration of Faith)

In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus God has already demonstrated his judging and saving work. We are warned that rejecting God's love and not caring for others whom God loves results in eternal separation from him and them. Yet we are also told that God loves the whole world and wills the salvation of all humankind in Christ. We live in tension between God's warnings and promises. Knowing the righteous judgment of God in Christ, we urge all people to be reconciled to God, not exempting ourselves from the warnings. Constrained by God's love in Christ, we have good hope for all people, not exempting the most unlikely from the promises. Judgment belongs to God and not to us. We are sure that God's future for every person will be both merciful and just. Amen.

Offertory Offertory on ST. DENIO Michael Burkhardt



As we continue to plan and pray for 2027, we invite you to submit your pledge card or online pledge if you haven't yet had the opportunity to do so.

***Offertory Response** No. 608 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Hal H. Hopson

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore.

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn of Sending Forth** No. 697 Take My Life HENDON

***Charge and Benediction** Rev. Kim Priddy

***Postlude** Postlude on ST. DENIO Michael Burkhardt



Worship matters….. The Affirmation of Faith

The Affirmation of Faith is an important part of worship in the Presbyterian tradition. It is our opportunity to join our voices in declaring what we believe about God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit. Rooted in Scripture and the historic confessions of the Church, these affirmations remind us that our faith is not ours alone, but is shared with Christians across generations and around the world. Whether we recite the Apostles' Creed, the Nicene Creed, or words from one of our Presbyterian confessions, we proclaim the foundations of our faith and renew our commitment to live as followers of Christ. The Affirmation of Faith is both a declaration of what we believe and a response to God's Word proclaimed in worship.

We have a Mother's Room located directly across from the Sanctuary for nursing mothers and families who need a quiet space. The worship service can be heard through the sound system.