Alburnett Methodist Church

The Alburnett Messenger

October 30, 2026

Calendar of Church/Community Activities

SUNDAY, November 1--9:00 am All Saints Sunday (Communion)--DON'T FORGET TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR
Sunday, November 1--5:00 pm Charge Conference (at Marion Methodist). Fellowship and dinner to follow the meeting.

Monday, November 2--6:00 pm Alburnett Administrative Council Meeting

Sunday, November 8--9:00 am Morning Worship Service

Sunday, November 15--9:00 am Morning Worship Service

Sunday, November 22--9:00 am Morning Worship Serivce
Sunday, November 22--Hanging of the Greens (immediately following worship)



November 1-9:00 am--Morning Worship
Speaker: Pastor Bruce
Message: Promises, Promises, Part 4
Scriptures: Hebrews 11:17-34
Worship Leader: Jim Arnold
Ushers/Greeters: Al Smith and Sue Becker
Communion Steward: Marcy Machacek

Although we are in the book of Hebrews this week, our focus is still on God's covenant promises. Hebrews 11 has quite the list of



names considered to be part of the faithful that we might not expect to see, especially when we consider their actions in life.

Does that say anything about the lives and actions around us today? Who is too far gone for God to reach?

Join us in worship as we celebrate All Saints Sunday, and as we center on our continual call to shine the light of Christ to all around us.



Last Week's Attendance: 43

Year-to-Date Giving Comparison:

Last Week: $3,043.57

2026 Weekly Average: $1,630.54

2025 Weekly Average: $1,476.91

Weekly Average is UP $153.63

Read Isaiah 50:4-10



A few days after his father died, thirty-year-old C.S. Lewis received a letter from a woman who had cared for his mother during her illness and death more than two decades earlier. The woman offered her sympathy for his loss and wondered if he remember her. "My dear Nurse Davison," Lewis replied. "Remember you? I should think I do."

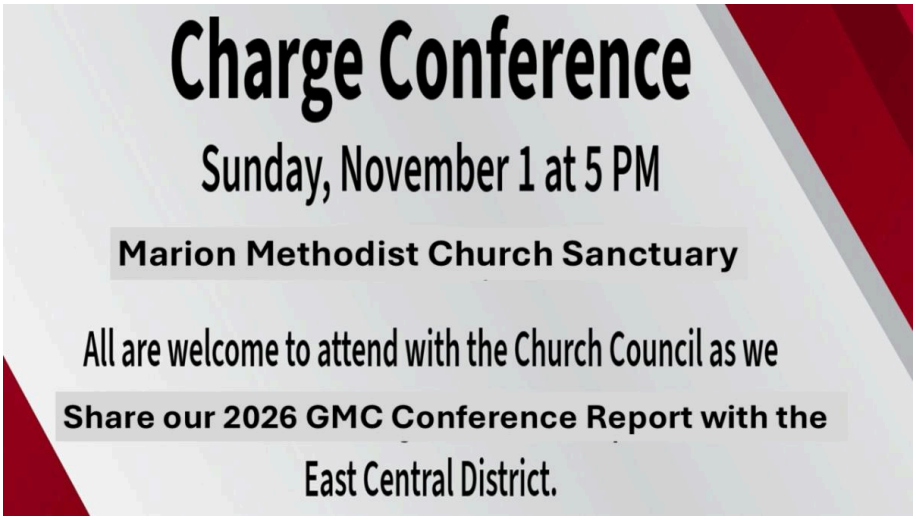
Lewis recalled how much her presence in their home had meant to him, as well as to his brother and father during a difficult time. He thanked her for her words of sympathy and said, "It is REALLY comforting to be taken back to those old days. The time during which you were with my mother seemed very long to a child and you became part of our home."

When we struggle in the circumstances of life, an encouraging word from others can lift our spirits and direct our eyes to the Lord. The Old Testament prophet Isaiah wrote, "The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary" (50:4). And when we look to the Lord, He offers words of hope and light in the darkness.--David McCasland, What Really Matters, Faith Hope, Love.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JUST A REMINDER, to set your clocks back on Saturday as we return to Standard Time. Enjoy your "extra" hour of sleep.







The Administrative Council will hold their November meeting on Monday, November 2 beginning at 6:00 pm. We hope you can join us.

The Fall Bible Study is in session! Join us Mondays at 2:00 pm at Alburnett or Wednesdays at 7:00p at Prairie Chapel. No prior Bible knowledge is needed and everyone is welcome.





If you are writing an Advent devotion, we ask that you complete them by November 1 and send to Laura so the books can be prepared and ready for distribution on November 25th.

We appreciate everyone's support.

Thanksgiving is a time for sharing, and we want to make sure everyone enjoys a warm holiday meal with others around them this year.



The Alburnett | Prairie Chapel Parish will be working with local churches to serve a community Thanksgiving meal at the Alburnett

Historical Society on Thursday, November 26 from 1:30-3:30 pm. We need your help to make this event a success. You can support us in three simple ways (sign up sheets will be available shortly) :

- ***Volunteer:** Help prep food, serve meals, or clean up on Thursday, November 26*
- ***Donate Food:** We will need food items like turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, rolls, vegetables, pie*
- ***Give Funds**: To assist with the purchase of needed items.*

Because of your time and support, we can offer food and a sense of community to many people in our neighborhood. More details will be available in the coming weeks.



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How can we make this newsletter more useful? If you have any ideas, comments or suggestions, please let Laura know at alburnettmc@gmail.com. Thank you.

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