Alburnett Methodist Church

The Alburnett Messenger

November 6, 2026

Calendar of Church/Community Activities

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)

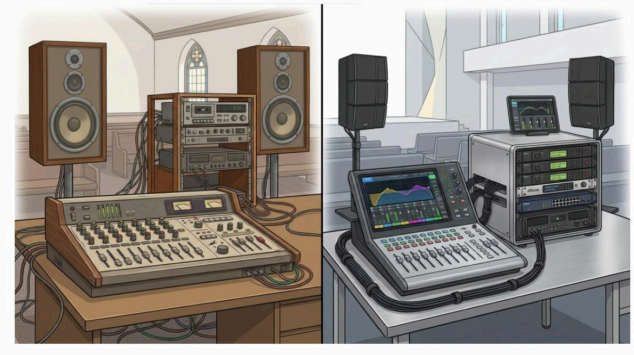
Thursday, November 26--1:30-3:30 pm Community Thanksgiving Meal--Alburnett Historical Society (see sign-up information in the Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, November 29--9:00 am Morning Worship Service (First Sunday in Advent)



November 8-9:00 am--Morning Worship
Speaker: Wayne Blackford
Scriptures: Matthew 7:21-23
Worship Leader: Pam Kirk
Ushers/Greeters: Ron and Julie Hoover

Many of you are aware we have been testing various options with our sound capabilities to ensure we can provide an effective and understandable experience for those who come to worship with us. Over the past several weeks, we have



discovered we're pushing the limits of our current equipment beyond its ability.

We have acquired some numbers for the cost of a replacement system which would bring our audio capabilities to a higher quality for worship music, vocal clarity, and our online presence. The rough estimate is approximately $10,000.

This includes a new set of speakers and amplifier, a new sound mixer, a new wireless transmitter, microphone and receiver, as well as cabling and installation. Over the next several weeks, we will be sharing details about this need as we begin to raise the funds to make it a reality.

If you would like to help through giving toward this project, please mark "Sound System" in the memo field of your gift. If you are unable to give but would still like to help, please pray for God to work through this endeavor as we continue to bring the good news of Jesus Christ to the world around us - whether inside the church or inside the homes of those who listen online.



Last Week's Attendance: 43

Year-to-Date Giving Comparison:

Last Week: 2,570.00

2026 Weekly Average: $1,651.89

2025 Weekly Average: $1,511.30

Weekly Average is UP $140.59

Read Mark 6:6-13--Partners in Christ



My husband's serious illness left him weak. But when a physical therapist prescribed exercises to grow strong again, he showed little interest. Then one day I did the exercises with him. "We're growing strong!" I told him, lifting my arms and laughing. Soon, he was laughing too as we did three sets of the strength-building routines--surprised we both enjoyed working together to do what had at first seemed hard.

Jesus modeled best the profound power of working together on a difficult job. While going around teaching "from village to village," He summoned His twelve disciples and "began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits (Mark 6:6-7).

Going alone, the Twelve might've traveled faster or farther. But while engaging in their tough assignments, they were far more effective working in pairs. They could see and correct each

other's mistakes, counter any idleness or indifference, and encourage each other to action.

Then as they went, preaching that "people should repent....they drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them" (v.12-13). Together, their power was multiplied, and not just by two. Empowered in Christ by the Holy Spirit, they drove out afflictions, healing all manner of ills in Jesus' name. As my husband and I learned, two are better than one, especially in Christ.--Patricia Raybon, Our Daily Bread

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



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. A SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL ON SUNDAY!!

The Fall Bible Study is in session! Join us Mondays at 2:00 pm at Alburnett or Wednesdays at 7:00p at Prairie Chapel. Everyone is welcome!!





If you are writing an Advent devotion, we ask that you complete them as soon as possible and send to Laura so the books can be prepared and ready for distribution on November 25th. We appreciate everyone's support.

Following our morning worship service on Sunday, November 22th we will be "Hanging the Greens" and decorating our worship spaces for the Advent season.

Please plan to join us and then stay for a luncheon once the work is completed.





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