



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF RIVER FOREST

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN RIVER FOREST PARTNERS WITH AMERICAN RED CROSS TO HOST COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE ON NOVEMBER 28

RIVER FOREST, ILLINOIS, November 7, 2022—The First Presbyterian Church of River Forest (firstpresrf.org) will host a community blood drive with the American Red Cross on Monday, November 28, 2022, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at 7551 Quick Avenue, River Forest.

For more information or to make an appointment to donate, call the church office at (708) 366-5822 or sign up online at redcrossblood.org with sponsor code FIRSTPRESRF.

“With a simple blood donation, we have the ability to help save the life of someone who could be a coworker, loved one or neighbor,” said Paul Detterman, senior pastor. “This blood drive is our way of giving neighbors an opportunity to help save lives.”

According to the Red Cross, blood is routinely transfused to patients with cancer and other diseases, premature babies, organ transplant recipients and trauma victims. Blood is a perishable product that can only come from volunteer blood donors. With someone in the U.S. needing blood every two seconds, blood products must be constantly replenished, according to the Red Cross.

“We ask community members to consider donating blood and help ensure that patients in local hospitals have a supply of blood ready and waiting before an emergency occurs,” said Detterman. “There’s no better feeling than knowing that your blood donation may give someone a second chance at life.”

Donors of all blood types are needed, especially those with types O negative, B negative and A negative. According to the Red Cross, type O negative is the universal blood type that can be safely transfused to anyone, and is often used to treat trauma patients.

About First Presbyterian Church of River Forest

First Presbyterian Church of River Forest has been an integral part of the River Forest community since 1887. First Pres, serving communities from Chicago to Elmhurst, is dedicated to growing as apprentices of Jesus Christ to reflect God’s love.

For more information, contact First Pres at (708) 366-5822, or visit firstpresrf.org.