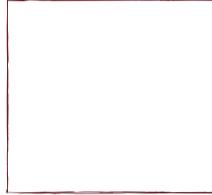


"I Have Called You Friends." John 15:15

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Newsletter:

Letter from the Pastor:

November

Thanksgiving Day. Many images and memories come to mind when we think of Thanksgiving Day... turkey and dressing, football, family, eating and more eating, football and more football.

Most of us know in some degree about the first Thanksgiving in America. In 1621 Plymouth governor William Bradford invited neighboring Indians to join the Pilgrims for a three-day festival of recreation and feasting, thanking God for his grace and bounty.

For the next 150 years Thanksgiving was celebrated only sporadically. It was not until 1789, when George Washington proclaimed a day of prayer and gratitude in honor of the new constitution, that the United States celebrated its first Thanksgiving as a nation.

During the next century a growing number of states observed Thanksgiving annually, but only in 1863 did Abraham Lincoln establish the day as an official national holiday. Each year after that, succeeding presidents proclaimed the observance anew, until in 1939 Franklin Roosevelt finally designated the third Thursday in November as our yearly Thanksgiving Day. In 1941 the holiday was changed to the fourth Thursday of November and Thanksgiving we know it appeared.

Unfortunately, Thanksgiving Day has never had a well-defined significance in our national mind. It has become a secular holiday emphasizing turkey, family, and football. For God's people, Thanksgiving ought to be one of the most delightful occasions of the year, because the spirit of Thanksgiving is so familiar to us. As a Christian grows in Christ, he develops more fully the "attitude of gratitude." Thankfulness is something that ought to characterize Christians in all situations (Eph 5:20). When it comes to thanksgiving, the Christian should excel.

May we as God's people excel at giving Him thanks, on Thanksgiving Day and all year round. Jesus is Lord and that causes us to be thankful. Eat turkey, spend time with your family, watch football, but remember the day is set aside to thank God for His salvation, grace and mercy. Happy Thanksgiving!





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Worship 10:45AM	3 Choir Practice 7PM	4 Precept 9AM Outreach Meeting - Long Horn 11:30AM Church Family 6PM FLC Reserved for Polling	5 Youth Group 6:30-8PM Branches Meeting 6:30PM	6 Bible Study 6:30PM	7	8
9 Worship 10:45AM FH Reserved 2-4PM	10 Choir Practice 7PM	11 Precept 9AM Ministry & Counsel 7PM	12 Youth Group 6:30-8PM Branches Meeting 6:30PM	13 Finance Meeting 6PM Bible Study 6:30PM	14	15
16 Worship 10:45AM Denny Sutton Memorial Sing 6-8PM	17 Choir Practice 7PM	18 Precept 9AM Monthly Meeting 7PM	19 Youth Group 6:30-8PM Branches Meeting 6:30PM	20 Bible Study 6:30PM FLC Hope Sisters 6:30PM FH	21	22 Harvest Dinner 6:00PM 
23 Worship 10:45AM	24 Choir Practice 7PM	25 Precept 9AM USFW 6:30PM	26 NO Youth Group NO Branches Meeting 6:30PM	27 <i>Happy Thanksgiving</i>	28 Church Decorating 10AM 	29 Church Decorating 10AM 
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New Sermon Series: "The E-100 Plan"

Pastor Randy will be launching a new sermon series entitled "The E-100 Plan." This exciting journey will take us through 100 essential Bible passages — 50 from the Old Testament and 50 from the New Testament — offering a comprehensive overview of God's story.

Stay tuned for more details, and get ready to read along with Pastor Randy as we explore the Bible in a fresh, transformative way!

Celebrating Milestones
Happy Birthday

- 2nd Eden-Kole Dawson
- 7th Jim Heidenreich
- 10th Prentice Uzzell
- 12th Dexter Pridgen
- 16th Jose Vazquez
- 18th Jennifer Brown
- 20th Mary Daly
- 22nd Jim Best
- 24th Kelly Dawson
- 27th Carol Price
- 29th Justin Edwards
- 30th Ray Grass
- Barbara Grant
- Deahdra Bradshaw
- Keith Carmack
- Judy Taylor
- John Lee Garris
- Kyra Hathaway

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 5th Bob & Elizabeth Golimowski
- 12th Elizabeth & James Maples
- 24th Bobby & Kim Smith
- R.D. & Glenda Stroud

November Connect Team:
Tracy Case, Craig Smith, Judy Taylor, Emily Grass



Support Kriquette's Kidz This Christmas
Kriquette's Kidz is a nonprofit organization that supports children and families in Wayne County. Each Christmas, they provide gifts and meals to families who would otherwise go without. It costs approximately \$350 to support one family, and our goal as a church is to raise enough to support 5 families by Sunday, November 30. If you would like to give, please place your donation in the offering plate or the baskets in the foyers. Be sure to note "Kriquette's Kidz" in the memo of your check or envelope. Thank you for helping us share the love of Christ this season!

Announcements



You're Invited!
Harvest Dinner & Auction
Saturday, November 22nd | 6:00 PM
Join us for an evening of delicious food, community spirit, and exciting auction items!



DENNY SUTTON MEMORIAL SINGING
TRIUMPHANT QUARTET
16TH NOVEMBER 2025
6PM DOORS OPEN AT 5PM

RIGHT ROAD TRIO

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NO TICKET REQUIRED
LOVE OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED

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