

NOVEMBER 2022

The Newsletter of Jones Chapel United Methodist Church



*Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him,
bless his name!*

PSALM 100:4



The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



Gary Gobbler panicked when he realized he was one of only a few turkeys who were LEFT BEHIND, and so believed the GREAT POULTRY RAPTURE had come and gone without him. Dumb Turkey, it's Thanksgiving



PRAYER REQUESTS:

Viola Underdown
Cheyden Buckner

Evelyn Poteet

Bill & Terry Aikens

Roy Fox

Kim Babb

Bob Clendenon

Faye Ervin & Ray Ervin

Swanson Family

Frank Farmer

Jeff Eddington

Abby Hardin

Tiffany Crabtree

Ruth Turner

Wanda Davis

Moffit & McLain Families

Jim & Wife Riden

Delaney Clayton

Grace Trew

Chad Barker

Misty's Husband

Laikly

Ann Clark

Angie Moses

Tim Crabtree

Lost souls

Beth Heaton

Shelly McAllister

Unspoken requests

Clayton Clenden

Amos & Dot Humphrey

Our Nation/Leaders/Military

Successful surgeries & procedures

Jenny Self

Justin Coleman

Alberta Williams Family

Wentworth Family

HD Studdard
Judy & Gene Webster

Renee Jamerson

Mallory Arp

Allen Dawson

Brianna Winters & Family

Maynard Wilson

Those Traveling

Janet Woods

Weir Family

Angie Tuten

Bo Shugart

Phyllis Bradford

Louise Wattenbarger

Adam & Katie Wilson

Marty Hochertz

Area Opioid Crisis

Savannah Blair

William Daughtry

Diann Gibson

Jane's neighbor's daughter, Bailey

Karen Christson family

Sandy Lambert

Cy Watts & Family

Cheryl, Joy, Renee, Janie, Ramos

Pickel Family

Roger Taylor

Always pray for your Pastor

Jay Boatman

Our Church/Israel

Peggy Self

Randy Rayburn

Ukraine war

Carl Ledford

Stacey & Doug

Frank Clark

Addie Williams

*"I will give to the Lord the thanks due to his
righteousness, and I will sing praise to the name of the
Lord, the Most High."
Psalm 7:17*

From the Pastor's Desk

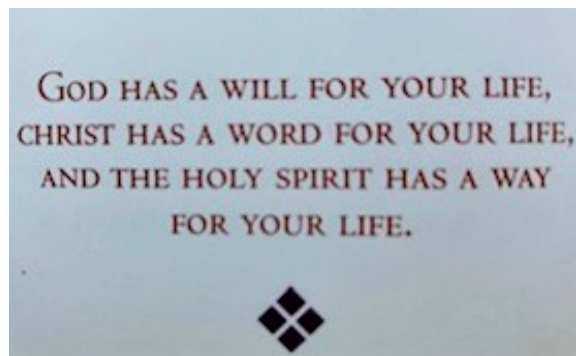
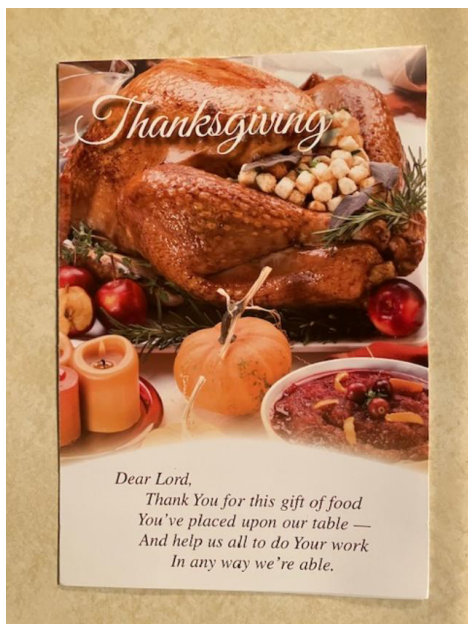
November is here. The onset of cold weather, days getting shorter, and some gloomy weather just might be around the corner. The need to prepare for these days both in terms of our cars, homes, and materially, but also preparing our heart and spirit. With the onset of Thanksgiving and with it, Advent, the season brings with it all the Joy that God blessed us with through the anticipation of the birth of His Son. I believe the theme of this month just might be Preparation.

Prepare for changing weather, prepare for upcoming seasonal fun and get togethers, gift shopping, and so on. Preparing for all the fun can be both fun and physically and spiritually exhausting. Just as we need time and help in our holiday preparations we also need help to get our physical and spiritual lives prepared for these days upcoming.

The month of November I believe is given to us by God as a time for just such activities. We have three weeks or so before the onset of Thanksgiving and the Advent season. Just as God made preparation for His Son—*Luke 1:76* *And you, my child, (John the Baptist) will be called a prophet of the Most High; for you will go on before the Lord to prepare the way for Him,* we should come before Him to ask His help with all our added needs that this upcoming season can put on us. Give Our Heavenly Father all our cares and possible anxieties and He will lift up some of the burdens we can pile on ourselves—*Psalms 55:22* *Cast your cares on the LORD and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous fall.*

So with this beautiful season coming up, take the few weeks before they begin this month to draw closer to God and let Him help you with the fun and preparations coming up.

God Bless, Pastor Bert



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

"And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful."

Colossians 3:15

November Church Notes:

- * Sunday Eve. Worship starts at 6 PM in the Chapel.
- * Wed. Night Bible Study 6 PM in the Chapel.
- * Nov. 1-6 PM Info. Meeting about the Global Methodist Church at Wesleyanna.
- * Nov. 8-9 AM to 8 PM Election Day for Precinct 13 at the FLC. Remember to vote!
- * Nov. 13 Sun.-Fundraiser Soup & Chili Dinner after morning worship.
- * Nov. 20-6 PM Disaffiliation Meeting.
- * Nov. 28, Wesleyanna-Jones Chapel monthly meal 6 PM. All are welcome!
- * Please remember to bring Blessing Box items anytime.
- * 4th Qtr. Mission Offering-Choctaw Orphans Christmas Fund
- * Any inspirational items you may have for the Newsletter, please give to Pastor Bert, Perry, or Leslye. Or text to Leslye at 423-506-4139. Text me your favorite Bible Verse, also. Thank you to those who have sent items.
- * Any church questions, Pastor Bert. Financial questions, Kim Farris.
- * Please do not hesitate to call Pastor Bert if you need anything.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

- 3 Lisa Crabtree
- 18 Rex Crabtree
- 24 Bobby Farris
- 25 Don Barker
- 29 Leonard Waldrop
- 29 Marty Hochertz

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

- 28 Claude & Phyllis Bradford

Devotion for November

The Witness of Being Thankful

SCRIPTURE READING — [1 CHRONICLES 16:1-36](#)

Give praise to the LORD, proclaim His name; make known among the nations what He has done. [1 Chronicles 16:8](#)

Being thankful is a witness. In his psalms King David wanted to tell everyone how great God is! The occasion of bringing the ark of the covenant to Jerusalem was no exception. David wanted everyone to join in the celebration of praise.

David's psalm is long and rich. It sparks our praise for a wide variety of things:

- for God's wonderful acts and His holy name (vv. 9-10).
- for God's strength, "miracles, and the judgments He pronounced" (v. 12).
- that God "remembers His covenant forever" (v. 15).
- for God's protection when His people were vulnerable (vv. 19-22).
- that "splendor and majesty are before Him, strength and joy are in His dwelling place" (v. 27).

The families of all nations are then invited, even commanded, to give God "the glory due His name," to bring an offering, and to worship Him "in the splendor of his holiness."

What can you add today to this rich list of thanksgiving? A thankful heart is a testimony to the greatness of God!

David's song closes with a prayer asking God to save. In what ways do you need saving? Jesus Christ reaches out His nail-scarred hands to deliver you from sin. That alone can bring an eternity of thanks as you receive His amazing grace.

Majestic Lord, I receive Your salvation in Jesus Christ. Thank you for all the goodness You've poured into my life. Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee. Amen.



Jones Chapel has been supporting the American Cancer Society, and particularly Relay for Life from 2005 until the present, since two of our beloved people were diagnosed with cancer, Mike Crabtree and Curtis Nichols.

Different events the church has sponsored over the past 16 years has raised \$124,290.36. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow! Many thanks for the leadership of Vicki Nichols and to all those who have supported this great endeavor through the years!



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Thank you to everyone who donated and helped to work the **Yard Sale** on the 22-23 of Oct. at Farris Lawn Service. We raised \$3,000 for God to use in our church.





# November

Mission Offering-The Choctaw  
Children's Christmas Fund

| October |    |    |    |    |    |    | December |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| SUNDAY                                                    | MONDAY               | TUESDAY                                                        | WEDNESDAY        | THURSDAY                | FRIDAY | SATURDAY                                         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 30                                                        | 31                   | 1                                                              | 2                | 3                       | 4      | 5                                                |
|                                                           |                      | 6 Info Mtg. About Global M. Church                             | 6 PM Bible Study | Early Voting Ends       |        |                                                  |
| 6                                                         | 7                    | 9-8 Election Day FLC Precinct 13                               | 6 PM Bible Study | 10                      | 11     | 12                                               |
| 11 Worship<br>5 Choir Practice<br>6 Worship               |                      |                                                                |                  |                         |        |                                                  |
| 13                                                        | 14                   | 15                                                             | 16               | 17                      | 18     | 19                                               |
| 11 Worship / Dinner<br>5 Choir Practice<br>6 Eve. Worship |                      |                                                                | 6 PM Bible Study |                         |        |                                                  |
| 20                                                        | 21                   | 22                                                             | 23               | 24                      | 25     | 26                                               |
| 11 Worship<br>5 Choir Practice<br>6 Disaff. Mtg.          |                      |                                                                | No Bible Study   | THANKSGIVING DAY        |        |                                                  |
| 27                                                        | 28                   | 29                                                             | 30               | 1                       | 2      | 3                                                |
| 11 Worship<br>5 Choir Practice<br>6 Hang. of the Greens   | 6 Meal at Wesleyanna |                                                                | 6 PM Bible Study |                         |        |                                                  |
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|                                                           |                      |                                                                |                  |                         |        | Prayer: O God, be merciful to me a sinner. Amen! |
| More Notes:<br>10 AM Sunday School on each Sunday         |                      | 4th Qtr. Offering will be for the Choctaw Children's Christmas |                  | FLC- Family Life Center |        |                                                  |