

Those to Serve This Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	Brian Braxton
A.M. Closing Prayer	Dan Preaus
P.M. Prayer	Eddie Albritton
P.M. Closing Prayer	J.E. Albritton
Lord's Table	* Justin Preaus, M. Kerrigan R. Hudoba, D. Milam
Song Leader	Billy Anderson
Greeters	Mike & Connie Kerrigan
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Carolyn Cobb
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Larry White (11-25-20)

Those to Serve Next Week	
Announcements	Jim Rhodes
A.M. Prayer	Ben Walker
A.M. Closing Prayer	Dennis Milam
P.M. Prayer	David Williams
P.M. Closing Prayer	Tracey Brantley
Lord's Table	* E. Albritton, S. Richardson D. Preaus, J.E. Albritton
Song Leader	Tracey Brantley
Greeters	D. Dvorshock & Dan Preaus
Nursery (Birth thru 3 years)	Nora Nunnery
Wednesday Devo & Invitation	Jim Rhodes (12-2-20)

Schedule of Events	
Nov. 22nd thru Nov. 28th	
Nov. 22nd 9:45 A.M.	Bible Class
10:45 A.M.	Worship
6:00 P.M.	Evening Worship
Nov. 25th 12:30 P.M.	Men's Prayer Group
7:00 P.M.	Bible Classes
Benevolence:	Ron Hudoba – 368-4886 Tracey Brantley – 368-9106
	VBS – Third week in June every year

The Record Speaks	
Date	Nov. 15, 2020
Bible Class	45
A.M. Worship	89
P.M. Worship	--
Contribution	--
Date	Nov. 18, 2020
Wed. Attendance	31

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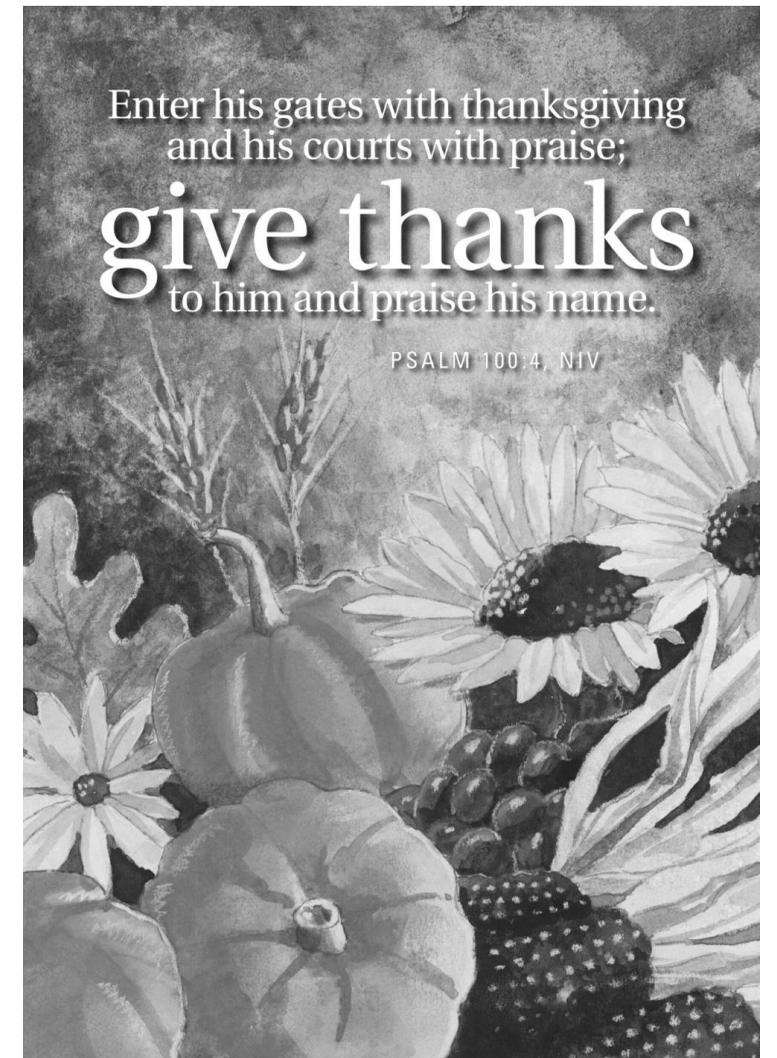
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*And now abide faith,
hope, love, these three; but
the greatest of these is love.
1 Corinthians 13:13*

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A Simple Remedy For Depression

The late William L. Stidger, a famous minister and teacher, once had a nervous breakdown. He was enclosed in gloom and depression, caring for nothing. In the midst of his despair, a friend suggested, "Think of those who have benefited you in life and ask yourself if you have ever thanked them."

Stidger responded that many people had helped him, but he could not recall ever having thanked one of them. Stidger's friend encouraged him to write some helpful person a letter of thanks.

After giving it some thought, Stidger remembered a teacher named Miss Smith, who had given him a love for literature. He wrote Miss Smith and expressed his appreciation for her influence in his life.

Soon he received a letter in shaky handwriting: "Dear Willy, I remembered you as a little fellow in my class. You have warmed my old heart. I have taught school for fifty years. Yours is the first letter of thanks I ever received from a student, and I shall cherish it until I die."

This response so encouraged Stidger that he wrote another letter and another. After five hundred letters, he stopped. He was no longer downcast.

All of us have benefited from a host of people—parents, teachers, schoolmates, friends, preachers, fellow Christians. Are you in the dumps, feeling sorry for yourself? Pick up a pen and write a letter. Go dial the number of a friend. Express thanks! *--Copied*

Every Day Is Sacred

Every morning God quietly and routinely pours another twenty-four hours of existence into our small cupped hands. We, so dazed and benumbed by its everlasting regularity, are careless—letting slip some of the precious moments He has given. Most often, we take the day for granted without realizing it was never promised, never put into a contract, never guaranteed.

But must we continue ignoring our blessings because they be so abundant? We can choose to live life as a sacred gift, but to do so we must live with intentionality and purpose. We must remember that peace of mind is from within and has nothing to do with surface surroundings. We must remember the philosopher's words that "living requires practice, like playing the violin," and that we will get better at living life as we go on. We must remember that life is really found between the two great everlasting eternities of Yesterday and Tomorrow. While both are important, we must be slaves to neither. It is the Present Moment, the Divine Today that we serve, and that in turn serves us. We must daily seek out kindred spirits, those dear souls who share and relish our need to discover all the sweet richness each day brings.

When every day is sacred, we will find contentment in the midst of turmoil, depth in the pools of shallowness, quietness among the clamor of the crowd. Life will then be truly a gift from God—a gift we receive with expectancy and treasure with gratitude. *--Copied*

You Need to Know

Birthdays this week:

Tuesday, Nov. 24 – Troy Risinger

Saturday, Nov. 28 – Brian Tucker

Anniversary this week:

Sunday, Nov. 22 – Chris & Paula Strickland

Our Wednesday night service this week will be on Tuesday night because of Thanksgiving.

Ladies, our cards and flowers fund for the ladies Wednesday night Bible class is getting low! Please give donations to Debbie Williams.

Heart Sisters, if you would like to contribute to the adopted children's Christmas presents, give your contribution to Pat Albritton by next Sunday, November 29.

The Christmas fruit baskets and gift bags will be assembled on Wednesday, Dec. 9th. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board for needed items. Please have items here by Sunday, Dec. 6th. Items can be placed on the table in the serving room. Any one who is able to help. please be here at 3 P.M. on the 9th.

We have the fellowship room in the back set up with access to the livestream of church service and with communion items. Anyone who cannot find distanced seating in the auditorium is welcome to participate in the worship services from the fellowship room.

Connie Kerrigan and Asa Duty are both having surgery this week. Please keep them in your prayers.

If you have love in your heart, you will always have something to give. --Copied

Those in Need of Special Prayer

Yyvern Taylor
Lynette Hughes
"Bee" Stewart
Eloyce Everett
Pam Denton
Sherry Taylor
Cooter Anderson
Pam Holloway
Elaine Brantley
Caden Wilson
Wanda Trichell
Elta Knight
Betty Swarers
Lorraine McDaniel
Krew Martino
Misti Walker
Calvin Miller
Asa Duty

Doris Roller
Joe Albritton
"Hoss" Brantley
Letsy Everett
Steve Brantley
Dan Albritton
Cindy Lanham
Bobby Fletcher
Betty Reese
Ben Nivens
Roxanna Gill
Patsy Williams
Laiken Heard
Betty Perot
Larry White
Connie Kerrigan
Mattie Gray Bird
Morgan Preaus

Thank you, God, for everything,
The big things and the small,
For "every good gift comes from God,"
The giver of them all.
And all too often we accept without any thanks or praise, the gifts God sends as blessings each day in many ways.
And so at this Thanksgiving Time we offer up a prayer, to thank you, God, for giving us a lot more than our share...
First, thank you for the little things that often come our way, the things we take for granted but don't mention when we pray.
The unexpected courtesy, the thoughtful, kindly deed, a hand reached out to help us in the time of sudden need.
Oh, make us more aware, dear God, of little daily graces that come to us with "sweet surprise" from never-dreamed-of-places.
Then, thank you for the "MIRACLES" we are much too blind to see,
And give us new awareness of our many gifts from Thee. Help us to remember that the KEY to LIFE and LIVING, is to make each prayer a PRAYER of THANKS and every day THANKSGIVING.
--Copied