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 November 11 ~ Marla Stankus
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 November 21 ~ Loni King
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 November 23 ~ Nicholas Shrader
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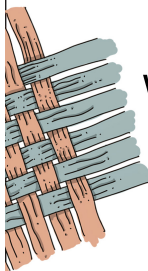
November 28
 Charles and Bunny Waleski

If you would like to light the advent candles during Advent.

Please contact Anita Campbell at the office@fpcbent.org or 724-207-3151



Handicrafts can spark appreciation for simple items. Weave this basket as a gift.



What you need:

- Paper plate
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Yarn (different colors)

What you do:

1. In the center of the plate, trace something round. Draw 9 lines (evenly spaced) from the circle to the plate's edge.
2. Cut along each line, stopping at the center circle. Trim more of the plate off so the cuts make a gradual V shape.
3. Fold the plate's sides upward to form basket sides. Keep these upright as you weave a bowl-shaped basket.
4. Begin weaving a length of yarn at the circle's base. Hold the end of the yarn in place as you spread the length over and under each side of the plate.
5. Switch colors to make a pattern. Keep the yarn tight as you weave up the sides.
6. To finish, bend down any remaining paper. Leave a tail of yarn and tuck it under a woven portion. Share your craft with a friend!

Bounty of thanks

We thank thee, Lord, for the glory of the late days and the excellent face of thy sun. We thank thee for good news received. We thank thee for the pleasures we have enjoyed and for those we have been able to confer. And now, when the clouds gather and the rain impends over the forest and our house, permit us not to be cast down; let us not lose the savor of past mercies and past pleasures; but, like the voice of a bird singing in the rain, let grateful memory survive in the hour of darkness. If there be in front of us any painful duty, strengthen us with the grace of courage; if any act of mercy, teach us tenderness and patience.

—Robert Louis Stevensons



Thanksgiving SERVICE

Tuesday,
 November 23rd
 At 7:00PM

Schedule

Wednesday, November 1	All Saints Day
	7:00PM Bible Study
Sunday, November 5	Daylight Savings Time Ends
	9:00AM Christian Education Meeting
	10:00AM Sunday School
	11:00AM Worship
	6:00PM The Chosen shown in the fellowship hall
Monday, November 6	7:00PM Women's Connection
Tuesday, November 7	Election Day
Wednesday, November 8	7:00PM Bible Study
Thursday, November 9	6:30PM Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, November 11	Veterans Day
Sunday, November 12	10:00AM Sunday School
	11:00AM Worship
	12:15PM Evangelism and Worship Committee Meeting
	Operation Christmas Child Box Packing
Tuesday, November 14	6:00PM Property Committee Meeting
Wednesday, November 15	7:00PM Bible Study
Thursday, November 16	6:30PM Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, November 18	Deliver Thanksgiving Boxes
Sunday, November 19	9:00AM Stewardship Meeting
	10:00AM Sunday School
	11:00AM Worship
Tuesday, November 21	7:00PM Community Thanksgiving Service
Wednesday, November 22	7:00PM Bible Study
Thursday, November 23	Thanksgiving
Sunday, November 26	Christ the King Sunday
	10:00AM Sunday School
	11:00AM Worship
	12:15PM Deacon's Meeting
Tuesday, November 28	7:00PM Session

Grateful for grace

In this oneness, Jesus Christ is the Mediator, the Reconciler, between God and man. Thus he comes forward to man on behalf of God, calling for and awakening faith, love and hope, and to God on behalf of man, representing man, making satisfaction and interceding. Thus he attests and guarantees to God's free grace and at the same time attests and guarantees to God man's free gratitude.

Karl Barth,
 The Humanity of God

VOLUNTEERS

Date	Greeters	Scripture Readers	Offering Counters	Children in Worship
November 5	Matt & Loni King	Jim Shrader	Loni King	Linda Sprowls
November 12	Kim Neff	Michelle Douglas	Curt Sprowls	Dan Biwer
November 19	Lisa Vipperman	Michell Little	Linda Sprowls	Linda Sprowls
November 26	Lorraine Shrader	Bud Allen	Misty Kevech	Linda Sprowls



Thanksgiving baskets

This year we will again be distributing Thanksgiving Dinner Boxes of unprepared food for families in need to cook a Thanksgiving dinner. Each box will contain a turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, sweet potatoes, corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls, and a dessert. We are asking for your help to provide these boxes. If you know anyone who could benefit from one of these boxes let Pastor Andy or Bethany Burney know the name, contact information and the number of people the box is to feed. Additionally, if you would like to donate toward the cost of the groceries, you can sponsor a box. This year a complete box will cost \$60.00 or a turkey will be \$30.00 and the additional supplies will be \$30.00 although any contribution would be welcome. Please complete the form below and place in the offering plate. We would like to have a list of recipients compiled by Sunday, November 5 for distribution on Saturday, November 18.

- _____ \$60.00 I would like to sponsor a complete box.
- _____ \$30.00 I would like to sponsor a turkey.
- _____ \$30.00 I would like to sponsor the groceries for a box.

Name and contact number: _____

I would like to request a box for
Recipients name, address and contact number:

Number of family members: _____

Operation Christmas Child (see table set up in Annex)

The Deacons are organizing an Operation Christmas Child Project this fall. There are a few ways you can support this mission:

1. Decide on a gender and age group that you would like to prepare a shoebox for, you can *pick up a paper in the annex with suggested items*.
2. Donate items. You may find a good deal on a 12 pack of a particular item so you can donate by item instead of by box.
3. Donate Money. A donation of \$10 per box is needed for shipping. You can make a donation by writing operation Christmas child on your offering envelope.

Bring your items for the packing party after worship on Sunday, November 12th.

Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes and tags will be provided.

If you are unable to attend you can drop off your items ahead of time in the annex.

If you have specific questions see Marlinda Sprowls.

What's your November?

For Davey Blackburn, a pastor in Indiana, one particular month has brought “the highest of highs and the lowest of lows.” He was born in November, moved to a new church in November 2011 and learned he’d be a father in November 2013. But two years later, in November 2015, Blackburn’s wife and unborn second child were murdered during a home invasion.

Despite that painful tragedy, the pastor determined not to “let the enemy have a claim over November” or “steal the many beautiful memories I once held” about it. Since then, his church’s worship team recorded an album one November, he proposed to his second wife another November, launched a new ministry one November and welcomed another child the following November.

That journey, Blackburn says, is evidence of God’s faithfulness to replace a spirit of despair with a garment of praise (see Isaiah 61:3). And it’s an important reminder for the holiday season, with all its memories and traditions. Just as God wants to heal and restore, Blackburn writes, “Your [deceased] loved one would not want your ‘November’ to haunt your memory forever.”

Blackburn, author of the forthcoming book *Nothing Is Wasted*, says everyone has a November but can choose what to do with it. Instead of letting your November haunt, you can let God use it to heal. ~ Stephanie Martin

Ascending thanks

Thy mighty hand o'er all the land
hath still been open to bestow
those blessings which our wants demand
from heaven, whence all blessings flow.
Thou hast, with ever watchful eye,
looked down on us with holy care,
and from thy storehouse in the sky
hast scattered plenty everywhere.
Then lift we up our songs of praise
to thee, O Father, good and kind;
to thee we consecrate our days;
be thine the temple of each mind.
With incense sweet our thanks ascend;
before thy works our powers pall;
though we should strive years without end,
we could not thank thee for them all.
—Excerpts from “A Thanksgiving Poem,”
Paul Laurence Dunbar

Thanksgiving humor

Need to lighten the mood at your holiday dinner table?
Share some laughter with these Thanksgiving-themed jokes.

Why did the turkey decline dessert?

Because it was stuffed.

Why did the turkey cross the road twice?

To prove he wasn't a chicken.

What smells the best at Thanksgiving dinner?

Your nose.

Why didn't the chef season the turkey?

There wasn't enough thyme.

Why did the turkey leave the band?

People were fighting over the drumsticks.