

We will pray for our nation and the upcoming election, but we must confess our thanklessness to a God who has been so good to America in the past and been requited busy, greedy disrepute. If we are not thankful for his grace in the past, why should we even begin to expect His grace for the future preservation of our nation?

“It is better to trust in the LORD than any man” or woman, and a large part of that trust is Thanksgiving. “In everything give thanks... (1 Thess.5:18)”

Pastor Rusty



Please see Peggy Holzgreffe/Brittany Carroll/Shelley Smallwood if interested in decorating the float on 11/30 @ 12pm. We need a head count of families that can ride the float or walk beside the float. Our goal is to fill the float w/ the kids of FBC!

CHRISTMAS Parade

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Matt Hinman-Audio/Visual Coordinator

WHAT'S GOING ON FOR FBCBR:

- 11/01 Community Prayer For National Concerns
- 11/03 Baby Shower for Sarah Leach
- 11/09 Church-Wide Work Day
- 11/15 Adult Art Connection
- 11/24 Church Thanksgiving Meal
- 11/30 Christmas Parade/Church Float
- 12/6 CLC Christmas Concert
- 12/7 Morning at the Manger
- 12/09 Cookie Exchange
- 12/13 Kenny Evans Christmas Concert
- 12/15 Choir Christmas Special
- 12/18 Christmas Caroling
- 12/24 Christmas Eve Service



SATURDAY; NOVEMBER 9TH

@ 9:30AM

Please keep bringing your donations of candy and put in the designated tote in @ the Welcome Center for upcoming events.

Please note mailboxes/Lost & Found are located in the Conference Room



- Psalm 118:1 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!**
- 2 Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”**
 - 3 Let the house of Aaron say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”**
 - 4 Let those who fear the LORD say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”**
 - 5 Out of my distress I called on the LORD; the LORD answered me and set me free.**
 - 6 The LORD is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?**
 - 7 The LORD is on my side as my helper; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.**
 - 8 It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.**

Our nation’s history is one of faith in the providence of Almighty God. Our forefathers who first celebrated God’s deliverance in Plymouth recognized his providence, Ben Franklin, a lost deist, amazingly recognized God’s providence in the constitutional convention, and Abraham Lincoln, who established the holiday of Thanksgiving amid our nation’s civil war, recognized the providence of God in our nation declaring a day of Thanksgiving for His blessings. Do we recognize the providence of God in our nation, and do we, with the Psalmist, “give thanks to the LORD, for he is good?”

America is a land of opportunity, but unfortunately, instead of us being very thankful people, the opportunity has made us very greedy people - greedy for what we can possess and for what we can control. Will more thought be given to God this month for His goodness and mercy or more thought be given to a president elect? Will more thanksgiving be offered to God for his goodness in “preserving us a nation” or will more thanksgiving be offered that our team has preserved a championship? We will spend Friday night, November 1, grace in the past, why should we even begin to expect His grace for the future preservation of our nation?

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November 2024

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

					1 Lifeline @ 9am Community Prayer @6pm	2 Don't Forget Time Change! "Fall Back"
3 Baby Shower for Sarah Leach @ 8:45-9:30am	4 Deacon's Meeting @ 6pm	5 Quilting B's @ 9am	6 Chicken Nuggets	7	8	9 Men's Bible Study @ 7:30am Church work day @ 9:30am
10 Make-up Directory Pics. Business Meeting	11	12 WMU/Heart to Hands @ 10am	13 Country Fried Steak	14	15 Staff Retreat/Office Closed Adult Art Connection @ 6:30pm	16 Staff Retreat Secret Sister Reveal @ 9
17	18	19 Quilting B's @ 9am	20 Vegetable Beef Soup	21	22	23 Men's Bible Study @ 7:30am SALT Saturday @ 9:30am
24 Thanksgiving Meal Following morning service	25	26	27 No Service	28 Office Closed	29 Office Closed	30 Christmas Float/ parade @ 4:30pm



DEACON OF THE WEEK - NOVEMBER 2024

- 03 Cecil Anderson 770-597-6493
- 10 Phillip Arnall 706-258-8018
- 17 Chris Thigpen 706-466-1713
- 24 Jerry Gordon 770-883-3990

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- Hope Duncan—11/01
- Clara Rogers—11/02
- Mary Grace Pruitt—11/03
- Jessica Ramirez—11/07
- Forrest Patton—11/09
- Kevin Turner—11/09
- Cecil Anderson—11/10
- Beverly Carter—11/10
- Owen Stockton—11/12
- Trish Bordeaux—11/13
- Sharon Mullings—11/18
- Cindy Kunieda—11/20
- Karen Goebel—11/21
- Don Peck—11/21
- Philip Arnall—11/24
- Matt Hinman—11/27
- Mary Alice Turner—11/27
- Sheila Golden—11/29
- Emmie Patton—11/30

Judy and Bennie Butler—11/08

(If your birthday is not listed please call the church office)