

Wildwood Church of Christ

114 Cleveland Ave. Wildwood, FL. 34785

Hours of Worship & Study

Sunday: Bible Class – 9:30a.m. Worship – 10:30a.m. Wednesday Bible Class – 6:30p.m.

2022 Theme - Living What You Pray

November 13, 2022

Please silence all electronics for worship – thank you.

Welcome & Announcements

Song #138 The New Song

Contribution

Song #711 Sweet Hour Of Prayer

Song #475 Thank You Lord

Opening Prayer – Charles Wright

Sermon – Glory & Praise To All Three!

Pass Trays

Song #853 Trust And Obey

Song #593 We Shall Assemble

Song #5 Step By Step

Lord's Supper – Brad Green

Closing Prayer – Jason Terry

"A Heart of Praise and Thanksgiving"

What was Jesus thankful for?

Giving thanks is right. As Albert Schweitzer said, "We ought to make an effort to act on our first thoughts, and let our unspoken gratitude find expression. Then there will be more sunshine in the world and more power to work for what is good."

As in all things, Jesus leads us in the matter of thanksgiving. But it is especially interesting to see those things for which He gave thanks.

Jesus thanked God for the revelation of the truth. "I thank Thee, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that Thou hast hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to babes; yea, Father, for such was Thy gracious will" (Matthew 11:25-26). The wise and understanding? They are barred from the truth because of their pride and arrogance. Truth is revealed to babes – those who are spiritually dependent enough to receive. The condition for acquiring knowledge is always conscious ignorance. A person who says he doesn't know has fulfilled the first condition for acquiring knowledge. The point that Jesus is making concerns not the concealment of knowledge, but its revelation.

Jesus thanked God for the hearing of prayer. "Father, I thank Thee that Thou has heard me" (John 11:41). He had already prayed and knew that God had heard him. This prayer was not for public show, but like Elijah He wanted those who viewed His miracle of raising the dead to know that He had prayed that what occurred was the expression of God's divine power. It would help them to believe that He was the Son of God. Like Jesus, we ought to thank God for hearing our prayers.

Jesus thanked God for the blood of the covenant (Matthew 26:27-28). This was during the institution of a new feast. The Jews had observed the Passover – a feast of deliverance, the feast of the exodus. But this second covenant was authenticated by the blood of Jesus, and was for the forgiveness of sins.

On this Thanksgiving Day, would it not be appropriate to remember what Jesus gave thanks for? He was thankful for: the revelation of truth, the hearing of prayer and the blood of the covenant.

John Gipson
Little Rock, Arkansas

Prayer List

~ Continue to keep **Hattie Byers**, a former member, and her family in your thoughts and prayers in the passing of her husband, Bud Byers. He passed away October 28th.

~ **Mary Jane Wright** is in room 2218 in The Villages Hospital and is doing some better. She has been able to eat a little this past week which is very good news. She may be going to a rehab soon.

~ **Esther Adcock** will have her last radiation treatment tomorrow which finishes her round of 21 total treatments. She is doing well.

~ **Edra Nell Courtney** has been moved to room 326B and would love visitors.

~ **Charlotte Martin** continues to recover at home from her surgery, pneumonia and she is still struggling with shingles.

~ **Lois Hutspiller** had her CT scan done last week and she should know the results soon. Her days are up and down as to how she feels. She is just taking one minute at a time.

~ **Martha Pope's** surgery on her shoulder is scheduled for this Friday, November 18th.

~ **Howard and Sarah Alls' son, David** has been diagnosed with colon cancer and he found out last week that the cancer is contained and has not spread anywhere else. He goes to Vanderbilt this week to find out the course of treatment.

Remember: Storm victims and volunteers, Linda Grove, Lottie Colton, Jamie McCartney, Pat Ponsford, Tina Lipps, Peggy Murphy, Ron Rollins, Scott Watts, Greg Pope, Tara Strickland, Irma Botorff, John & Leigh Workman, Sam Costa, Edra Nell Courtney, Ken Scott, Larry & Janet Hyder, Don & Joyce Albert, Jeanette Harris, Joyce Prather & family, Taylor Williams & family, Millie Tudor, Clay Pelland, Mary Lee Fogle, Mollie Holley, Teresa Broyles, David Hust, Martha Haltaman, Fred & Glynda Casteel, Kellie Ward

Announcements

* **Thanksgiving boxes:** We are collecting money to help purchase the turkeys, pies and other perishable items. If you would like to help, please give your money to David, Sarah or Mike. If you would like to help assemble and/or deliver boxes, please meet at the building on Monday, November 21st at 9:00 a.m. in the education building.

* **Auto Calls:** Please let Sarah, David or Mike know if you are not receiving our auto calls from the church. We are so sorry if you did not receive the call this past Wednesday that Bible class was cancelled due to the storm. This is such a valuable tool we are able to use and we want everyone on the list that would like to receive the calls for updates and important information.

* **Date Change:** Due to some conflicts, the date for **The Holiday Party** for adults has been changed to **December 17th** at 5:00p.m. in the fellowship hall. **ALL** adults are invited, including our young adults. We would love to have the best turn out ever and all enjoy this fun time together (especially since we have not had a party since 2019)! Please make note of the change of date. Sign-Up lists are in the foyer.

PANTRY

Chicken Broth Mustard Jellied Cranberry Sauce

November Birthdays: Alma Young-1, Steve Hutspiller-2, Bob Farmer-2, Tim Wells-6, Martha Pope-15, Lexy McKay-17, Chuck Stambaugh-18, Karter Meskil-18, Ron Rollins-23, Joey Johnston-26, Reggie Colton-28, Guy Grove-28, Patricia Webber-28

November Anniversaries: Larry & Janet Hyder – 1, Cody & Shelbie Hileman – 2, Keith & Tracy Jones-16, Darrel & Pat Ponsford-23, Ron & Janie Beadnell-25

Greeters: **Nov 13**-Basile & Libbie Summers **Nov 20**-Reida Glenn & Barbara Howlett **Nov 27**-Judy Glenn & Sarah Myers

Nursery Class: **Nov 13** – Sarah Myers **Nov 20** – Tracy Jones **Nov 27** – Kristen Williams

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