



HAPPY THANKSGIVING
MAY THE LORD RICHLY BLESS YOU!

WAYNE CITY FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH NOVEMBER 2019

Thanksgiving

Throughout the Bible, we see **thanksgiving** for blessings as a theme. The Old Testament is filled with the people praising God; Israel had a history of giving thanks to God for the mercy and deliverance he showed them. In the New Testament we read, Jesus "Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven he gave thanks and broke them" ([Luke 9:16](#)). At the Last Supper Jesus took bread and gave thanks, and offered it to His followers ([1 Cor. 11:24](#)). Jesus always prayed before meals.

With the holiday approaching, let's consider some thoughts for thanksgiving.

Motive. When we give thanks to God, our sole motive should be *pure gratitude*. Thanksgiving is giving thanks and that alone. Of all our types of prayers, a thanksgiving prayer is about God's blessings toward us and our appreciation of those blessings.

Acknowledge. Being grateful requires us to look back into the past, whether times recent or years past, and acknowledging blessings for which we are thankful. We should give thanks to God and express gratitude for the good things that have come our way.

Infinite. On Thanksgiving holiday, we thank God for the meal. Sometimes we include more in our prayers. We should, because we are so blessed. God is to be thanked for our family, friends, housing, jobs, and possibly hundreds of other minor things. Giving God thanks should be a theme running through our lives in times good and bad.

As Thanksgiving Day approaches, ponder and consider the many blessings you enjoy. Be grateful for these wonderful benefits and thank God for them.

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Events

- Nov. 1st Men's Meeting 6:30pm
- Nov. 3rd Annual Business Meeting/Lunch
- Nov. 9th Wayne City Salute to Veterans
Free Breakfast for Veterans 7am
At Church of the Harvest
- Nov. 11th Veterans Day
- Nov. 17th Leadership Meeting 3pm
- Nov 22nd Carmi Wabash Christian Village 8am
- Nov. 24th Holiday Decorating/Soup Supper 6pm
- Nov. 26th Red Cross Blood Drive 2-6pm
- Nov. 27th No Wednesday Night Service
- Nov. 28th Thanksgiving!!

Birthdays

- Nov. 1st Shawn Hite
- Nov 9th Gunner Ash
- Nov 16th Kayla Sexton
- Nov 23rd Teagan Bowsher
- Nov 25th Jackie Spell

Anniversaries

- Nov 23rd Danny and Rachel Bailey



It is easy to take liberty for granted, when you have never had it taken from you. Veteran's Day is a day of remembrance of all U.S. military Veterans -- past and present. FCCWC is blessed and honored to be the church home of several Veterans that we would like to recognize for their service and sacrifice.

Stephen Buxton, Paul Frazier, Jerry Locey, Nick Greene, Bob Greene, Tom Sager,
Danny Bailey, L.D. Locke and Chris Robertson

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IMPACT YOUTH AND CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Impact Youth has been quite busy the last few months and we will finish the rest of this year just as busy, building friendships, trust and growing spiritually. September found us busy with our Wayne City Community Surveying, October brought us Youth Encounter 2019 with 18 attending the conference in Marion. One of our youth, Vanessa Schooley, was lucky enough to win the youth door prize, a Nintendo Switch. November brings with it a new youth study titled "Stickyfaith" which will help us to nurture our faith. We will also be preparing for the Christmas Season with a candy/cookie making day along with a gingerbread house teambuilding event while we get ready for a night of Christmas Caroling in the community to share the Good News of Jesus! If you know of someone in the Wayne City Community that could use an extra boost of joy, please let us know so we can make a personal stop at their door!

Children's ministry is undergoing some cosmetic changes and re-locations as we accommodate our growing program. More changes will take place as we continue to grow! If you would like to volunteer for the Children's Ministry programs please contact Charlene Barnard for Sunday School/Children's Church or Beth Bailey for Nursery. They will be able to meet with you for an informational meeting and to help place you in a volunteer position!

We are seeking some sets of the duplo lego blocks for the younger children's Sunday School class. If you would like make a donation , please see Rachel Bailey!!



FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Welcome Home

November is here with the smells and sounds of the Holidays! Our church is alive and active! We give thanks this month for the blessings that God sends and the blessings we are for each other!

As we hosted our Annual Meeting yesterday afternoon we have so much to be thankful for! We are seeing growth in our attendance in Sunday School and worship services. We are growing in our ministry efforts. And we are trusting God for more families to come visit and join our church family!

Rhonda and I want to thank each of you for your prayers, gifts, and support for the Pastor Appreciation month emphasis!

Let's make this Holiday season our very best one yet!

Come and join us for Sunday School and worship each week with thankful hearts! We will be singing traditional worship hymns each Sunday night in November and begin singing Christmas songs November 24th through the remainder of the year! Come and worship!

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him and praise his name. Psalm 100:4 NLT

Pastor Steve

