## When We meet:

Sunday:

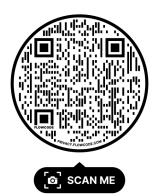
Bible Study 9:30am
Worship 10:30am
Small Groups 6pm
Wednesday:
Bible Study 6:30pm

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Welcome Guests! Please scan the QR code or fill out our Connection Card-Red Folder . Let us know how we can help.



# UPCOMING EVENTS

Today!- No Children's Church, Rm 108

Tonight! -Singing Class at 4:30pm

- PM Church Potluck

Tomorrow! -Walking Group, 8:30 am

-Women's Prayer Group, 10:00 am

**Nov 30th**– Congregational Meeting & Potluck
-Fellowship Hall

Dec 21- Singing at Niestrath's Home, 5:30 pm

- All Ages Welcome!!

(all events happening at the building unless otherwise noted.)



Tonight!— Meet at the Church

Dec 7— Caroling with Niestrath's

Dec 21— Singing at Niestrath's

Contact **Jon**—270-635-1029 or **Jared**—270-841-8542 for more info.



Today!!- Barry Webb

Carolyn Browning

Kevin & Samantha Russell

Nov 27— Ashbia Mcguyer

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Nov 28 – Kellie Duggin

Josh Lupo

#### **Elders:**



#### **Deacons:**

Brock Shoulders, Buster Almon,
Darin Swaidner, David Stubblefield,
Jeremy Duggin, Steve Stoltz,
Tim Teel, Zach Pressley



# Church of Christ

Nov 23, 2025

## Memory and Thanksgiving

(Psalms 105-107)

I still remember Thanksgiving, 1990. Rebecca and I were on a desperate search for sweet potatoes in Nottingham, England. We eventually found them in a Jamaican corner of the market – we paid over \$10.00 for two potatoes. Preserving tradition and memory comes with a price as times and places change. I think the price is worth it.

I know what will happen at our house this Thanksgiving Day. There will be cooking, cooperation, and plenty of room for miscommunication. There will be an argument over a game – naps will be taken. There will be stories told that may go back a couple of generations, and something will happen that will enter the family lore, of which will be said, "Remember that time . . .?"

But memory and thanksgiving go together on more days than the fourth Thursday in November. The end of book four and beginning of book five of the Psalms are a powerful testimony to the connection of long memory (stories) and thanksgiving. Each of these Psalms begins with, "O give thanks to the Lord." What follows in 105 and 106 is a history of all that God has done for his people – despite their failure to be faithful. Psalm 107 is a series of rescue poems in which those rescued are thankful for their salvation.

We have also seen in Paul's letter to the Ephesians, reminders of who we were before we were saved. Memories of failure. Memories of doom. Memories of victory and wonderful days. All are reason to give thanks for the love of God and his constant care and concern for his people.

We do not like it when people forget what we have done for them, even if we genuinely do not expect anything in return. We hope that they will be grateful. We hope that they will remember. We hope that they will be thankful. Thanksgiving and memory are the stuff of strong, enduring relationships.

When good, powerful stories are shared these relationships span generations. I recall as a child people asking me if I was someone's grandson. Yep, I grew up where people knew you if they knew who your grandparents were.

I remember stories told to me by people from the Netherlands, Germany, and Italy who survived WWII about how grateful they were to the American and British soldiers. The good stories need to be told to succeeding generations. How much more is this true of our faith. How much God has blessed us as a nation. How much God has blessed us as a congregation. The rescue stories. The miracles. The times of pain and distress that He has brought us through. Remember, and give thanks.





**Children's Song** 

Cong. Reading: Psalm 105: 1-5

To God Be the Glory
Abide With Me

**Prayer**— Keith Tapp

When He Comes in Glory By and By

Thank You, Lord!

Lord's Supper

Presiding LS: David Stubblefield

Serving: LS: Roger Matheny

Keith Tapp Darin Swaidner

Larry Stone Bert Pressley

You Are The Song That I Sing

Contribution

No Children's Church

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

Scripture: Psalm 107: 1-8 Johnny A

Prayer — Mark Wilkerson

**Lesson**— Sean Niestrath

There's A Stirring

**Benediction:** Numbers 6: 24-26

The Grace

## TODAY—

Call to Worship: Barry Webb

Song Leader: Josh Lupo

**Monitor:** Byron Pruitt

Children's Church: None

**Sound Booth:** Zach Pressley

#### **NEXT WEEK—**

Call to Worship: Byron Pruitt

Song Leader: Eric Seesengood

Prayers: Dan Rust/Tim Teel

**Scripture**: Chason Shoulders

**Monitor**: Johnny Allen

Children's Church: Blanton

**Sound booth**: Bryson Shoulders

**Presiding LS**: Roger Matheny

**Serving LS**: David Stubblefield, Keith Tapp, Darin Swaidner, Larry Stone, Bert Pressley

**Alternates for November:** 

Terry Hampton Dan Rust

**Communion Prep:** Almons

For the Record

Last Sunday:

Bible Class-64

Worship— 98

Contribution — \$3,277.01

Wednesday—47

## **Announcements:**

Potter Children's Home: Due date Dec 3rd

- Please label with your name and name of child,
- I can wrap them in the office if you don't have time

Bulletin Board: Wyatt Brown Update

- Potter Children's Home November Newsletter
- Honduras Sept & Oct Report

Card Basket: Alberta Rust's 89th Birthday, in the Lobby



# 31 Thanksgiving Baskets Completed!!

# **Thank You All!!**



Joe Stephens, Brenda's cousin, passed away. Keep his family in your prayers'

**Ried Burgess,** Brenda's brother-in-law, in hospital with pneumonia

**Lisa & Rick Russell**, Rick is recovering at home from Open Heart Surgery

Alexis Coats, recovering from car accident

Michael Oglesby, (Jane's cousin) pray for healing

Jon Philips, started radiation

Marvin's father, in hospital with stomach cyst



### **Ongoing Health Concerns and Prayer:**

Diana Adams, Dexter & Kathy Black, Suzette Mooney, Del Brock, Sherry Rushing, Jim Miller, Sister Josephine, Barbara Lynch, Lisa Dunlap, Wyatt Brown, Christy Estrada, Curt Frederick, Dennis Warszona, Alberta Rust, Rebecca Niestrath, Karen Wilkerson, Jama Doc, Benson Holmes, Lauren Turley, Judy Horn