Discussion Guide: November 22nd, 2026
Message Series: *Just Grateful*
Message: Thanksgiving Service 2026

Focus Passages:

1 Chronicles 16:34 (ESV)
34 Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

Psalm 9:1 (ESV)
"I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds."

1 Thessalonians 5:16–18 (ESV)
16 Rejoice always, 17 pray without ceasing, 18 give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Colossians 3:17
17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Philippians 4:6
6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. (ESV)

Message Highlights:
This week's service capped our ***Just Grateful*** message series where we spent time being grateful to the Lord by REMEMBERING, REFLECTING, and RESPONDING to the Lord and his goodness in our lives no matter the circumstances we were/are facing. We heard stories of God's faithfulness and were encouraged to praise the Lord and reflect His goodness to others this week.

Discussions Questions:

1. In 1 Chronicles 16:34 we are commanded to give thanks to the Lord because of who He is. Spend time sharing with each other and giving thanks to God for those aspects of His character that come to mind that you are grateful for today.
2. In Psalm 9:1, the psalmist gives thanks to the Lord for all the wonderful deeds he has done. Share three specific things the Lord has done in your life that you are grateful for right now.
3. In 1 Thessalonians 5:16–18, we are commanded to give thanks "in all circumstances." That's easier to do in good times, and harder to do in more difficult times. Share about a time when you found yourself being thankful to God even in the midst of difficult or trying circumstances. How did that change the way you faced those challenges? What is a way you want to give thanks to God for something difficult you are going through right now?
4. Colossians 3:17 and Philippians 4:6 remind us that all we do should be done for the Lord and with a heart of prayerfulness and thanksgiving to God. What are some ways that you need the Lord's help to have a heart of thanksgiving? What are some prayer requests you have today to help you not be anxious and to help you do what it is the Lord wants you to do?

Time of Prayer:
Spend time praying through your responses to Discussion Question four above. Conclude by giving thanks to God for who He is, what He's done, and what He's going to do in and through you as you do all things for Him and His glory!